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Worksheet No:20	Topic: LIFE IN THE TEMPERATE GRASSLANDS	Year:2020-21

I	Answer in one or two sentences: -
1	What is the difference between a forest and a grassland? Forest: It is a place where trees are the main type of vegetation. Grasslands: It is a region where grasses form the dominant type of plant life.
2	What are 'Ranches'? The large cattlefarms in the North American grasslands are called ranches.
3	Mention the name of few crops grown in the Prairies. Potato, Soybean, Cotton, Alfa-alfa.
4	Name the two important occupations found in the Velds. Sheep rearing and Dairy farming are the two important occupations in Velds.
5	Define "Chinook". Chinook is a of wind that blows in winter and raises the temperature within a short time.
II	State True or False:-
6	The temperate grasslands of South Africa are called the Prairies. False
7	The Prairies are bound by the Rocky Mountains in the west and the Great Lakes in the east. True
8	Ranches are looked after by sturdy men called cowboys. True
9	Bison is the most important animal in the Prairies. True
10	The soil is very fertile in the Velds region. False
III	Answer in brief :-
11	Write a brief note on the climate of the Prairies. <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Prairies are located in the middle of the continent (North America).➤ It is therefore, a continental type of climate, characterized by extreme temperatures.➤ The summers are warm with temperatures of around 20°C, while in winter -20°C has been recorded in Winnipeg and Canada, the important cities of the American prairies.➤ In winters a thick blanket of snow covers this region.➤ The annual rainfall is moderate. A local wind called Chinook blows here.
12	Enumerate the major features of the Prairies. The major features of the prairies are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• These are the temperate grasslands of North America.• It is a region of flat, gently sloping or hilly land.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prairies are almost treeless for the most part, but near the low-lying plains, flanking river valleys, woodlands can be found. <p>The landscape is dominated by tall grass, upto two metres high. It looks like a 'sea of grass'.</p>														
13	<p>What are the major occupations of the people in the Prairies?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their main occupations are cultivation and dairy farming. People use scientific methods in cultivation. They use tractors, harvesters and combines and produce surplus food. • The prairies are known as the 'Granaries of the world' due to the huge surplus of wheat production. • Another main occupation of the people of the prairies is dairy farming. The dairy belt extends from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic coast in the east. • Daily farming and extensive agriculture both promote setting up of food processing industries. 														
14	<p>Describe the flora and fauna of the Velds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Velds are not rich in vegetation. ➤ Grasses dominate the landscape. ➤ Red grass grows in bush Velds. ➤ High Velds are characterized by grasses like acacia and maroola. ➤ The animals found in the Velds are lions, leopards, Cheetah and Kudu. 														
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V	Fill in the blanks:-														
15	The major crop in the Prairies is maize .														
16	The two most developed countries USA and Canada are located in the Prairie region.														
17	A single machine which can combine the tasks of sowing, ploughing and threshing is called combine .														
18	The Velds have a mild climate due to the influence of the Indian Ocean .														
19	Velds are known for cattle rearing and mining .														
20	Sheep is mainly bred for wool .														
21	The Velds have rich reserve of minerals .														
22	In the high Velds acacia and maroola are grown.														