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**Instructions:** Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. Why were teepees useful?
  - Ⓐ They could withstand strong winds.
  - Ⓑ They let a breeze in during hot summers.
  - Ⓒ They could be heated during cold winter months.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
2. Why were bison featured in Sun Dances of many Plains tribes?
  - Ⓐ They were the biggest animals around.
  - Ⓑ They were an important source of food.
  - Ⓒ There were many of them on the Plains.
  - Ⓓ People could wear their hides during the dance.
3. Why would native tribes have resisted moving to reservations?
  - Ⓐ They couldn't live like they always had.
  - Ⓑ The lands were poor and not good for crops.
  - Ⓒ They didn't want to be controlled by the U.S. government.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
4. If it weren't for \_\_\_\_\_, introduced by Spanish explorers, tribes would not have been as successful when hunting bison.
  - Ⓐ guns
  - Ⓑ cliffs
  - Ⓒ horses
  - Ⓓ all of the above
5. The Indian Wars were fought by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ tribes in Canada and the U.S.
  - Ⓑ U.S. troops and Plains tribes
  - Ⓒ settlers and Plains tribes
  - Ⓓ Lakota and Sioux tribes

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6. To **endure** means to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ move with the seasons
  - Ⓑ settle in an uninhabited area
  - Ⓒ live through something difficult
  - Ⓓ decorate objects for use in celebrations
7. Why did many people rush to South Dakota in 1870?
  - Ⓐ to fight in the war
  - Ⓑ to look for gold
  - Ⓒ to kill bison
  - Ⓓ to find oil
8. Why did Sitting Bull call together the Lakota, Arapaho, and Cheyenne tribes to the Little Bighorn Valley in 1876?
  - Ⓐ to have a powwow
  - Ⓑ to meet General Custer for talks
  - Ⓒ to fight against being moved to reservations
  - Ⓓ to steal the horses from the U.S. Cavalry
9. The weapon that most likely allowed the U.S. Army to win the Indian Wars was \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ horses
  - Ⓑ diseases
  - Ⓒ guns and bullets
  - Ⓓ guerrilla warfare
10. What is **immunity**?
  - Ⓐ secretive warfare
  - Ⓑ ability to resist disease
  - Ⓒ to get back at someone
  - Ⓓ special feeling of harmony
11. **Extended Response:** Explain why the Battle of the Little Bighorn is called *Custer's Last Stand*.
12. **Extended Response:** Why are powwows important to native tribes today?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Native Americans of the Great Plains

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓓ Cause and Effect
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4. Ⓒ Cause and Effect
5. Ⓑ Main Idea and Details
6. Ⓒ Vocabulary
7. Ⓑ Cause and Effect
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9. Ⓑ Cause and Effect
10. Ⓑ Vocabulary
11. Answers will vary but should include *General Custer was killed during the battle with Sitting Bull and his warriors.*
12. Answers will vary but should include the following ideas: *tribes preserve their heritage and culture, practice speaking native languages, have traditional dance contests, and display and sell arts, crafts, and foods.*