

BISON

ACTIVITY BOOK

This book belongs to:

BISON – TERMS TO KNOW!

Match the description to the correct word!

Bull



Female bison



Cow



To shed or lose their heavy hair



Calf



Located on the sides of their head



Molt



When a bison rolls on the ground



Horns



Male bison



Pelage



Baby bison



Wallow



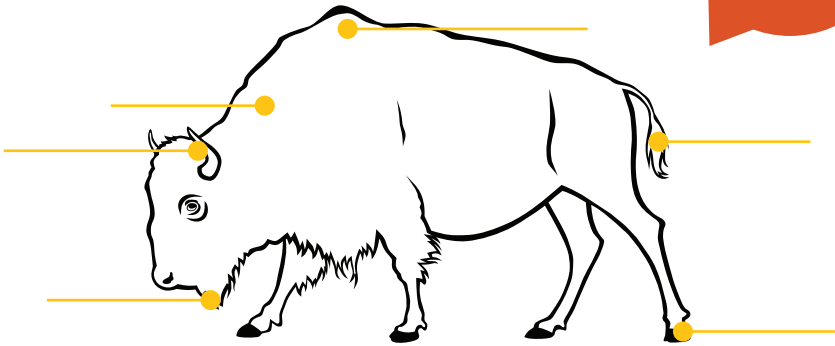
Heavy hair on a bison



PARTS OF A BISON

COLOR ME!

Color the bison after you label the parts.



HORNS

CAPE

BEARD

HOOVES

TAIL

HUMP

CHALLENGE: What are the horns on a bison used for?

Put an X through the right answer.

A

To move snow out so they are able to eat the grass under it.

B

To protect themselves from predators.

C

Both A and B.

DID YOU KNOW?

American bison can weigh more than 2,000 lbs. and can run up to 35 miles per hour.

Bison must eat a healthy diet to stay strong and run fast. They eat a lot of grass. Mark the pictures that show the food a bison would eat.



BUFFALO VS. BISON (AMERICAN BUFFALO)

Buffalo are native to Asia and Africa, while bison are native to North and South America. Use the pictures below to compare the two.

BUFFALO



BISON



Things that are the same:

Things that are different:

LIFE OF A BISON IN EACH SEASON

Bison do different things in each season because of the weather. Read what they often do in each season and draw a picture of it.

WHAT IS A SEASON?

Color in your answer.

●
A time of year.

●
Something to
put on a food item.

Winter: Bison use their horns a lot in the winter to move the snow so they can eat.

Spring: Bison begin to molt (shed) their winter coat as temperatures rise. Babies are born in the spring.

Summer: Bison wallow (roll around) a lot in the summer to get rid of bugs on their backs.

Fall: Bison begin to grow more hair so they stay warm in the winter months ahead.



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