

## TOPIC 2 – NEWCOMERS’ VIEW OF THE LAND

### Topic Overview

Topic 2 highlights the landscape of North Dakota, its relevance in attracting settlers, and the perceptions of newcomers to the area. It includes primary sources that will help you understand the significance of land features and natural vegetation in the history of North Dakota.

### Topic Objectives

- As a result of the study of Topic 2, you will be able to
  - Analyze and interpret primary documents.
  - Compare and contrast perceptions of the land comprising North Dakota in the 1800s with modern-day knowledge and views.
  - Recognize the significance of North Dakota’s land features and natural vegetation in attracting settlers to the state.

### ND Content Standards

- 8.1.2
- 8.3.2
- 8.5.1
- 8.5.3

### Common Core Standards

- RH 2
- WHST 2

### Topic Activities

- Organizing Data

## Organizing Data

Complete the following charts.

### Missouri Coteau

Observations by Newcomers

Present-day Knowledge

Explain why this would be relevant in attracting settlers to North Dakota.



## Organizing Data (continued)

### Burning Coal Vein

Observations by Newcomers

Present-day Knowledge

Explain why this would be relevant in attracting settlers to North Dakota.



## Organizing Data (continued)

### Grasshoppers

Observations by Newcomers

Present-day Knowledge

Explain why this would be relevant in attracting settlers to North Dakota.



## Organizing Data (continued)

### Grass

Observations by Newcomers

Present-day Knowledge

Explain why this would be relevant in attracting settlers to North Dakota.



## Organizing Data (continued)

### Buffaloberry Bushes

Observations by Newcomers

Present-day Knowledge

Explain why this would be relevant in attracting settlers to North Dakota.

