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Chapter 9
The Treeless Grasslands

Q.C: **Answer these questions.**

1. What are grasslands ? What type of climate do grasslands have?

Ans 1. Grasslands are large plains of grass. They are mostly found in the Temperate zone. The climate is warm and dry .Rainfall is moderate and occurs mostly in the summer season.

2. Write the names of some animals found in the Prairies.

Ans2. Bison, prairie dog , prairie chicken and coyote are some animals found in the Prairies.

3. Why are the Prairies called the 'Wheat basket of the World'?

Ans3. Wheat is extensively cultivated in the Prairies .Farmers produce enough wheat for the whole country and also for export. That is why the prairies are called the Wheat Basket of the World.

4. Why is cattle reared in the western part?

Ans4. The land towards the west of the prairies is hilly. The soil is coarse and less fertile. So this region is used for rearing cattle .

5. In the Prairies, machines have almost replaced manual labour. Explain.

Ans5. In the Prairies the entire farm work of ploughing , sowing, harvesting, threshing, winnowing and storing of food grains is done by machines. Cultivation of thousands of hectares of farmland need very few workers. Big dairy farms also use machines. Machines have almost replaced manual labour in the Prairies.

II. Define the following terms.

1. ***Homestead***__ A house built on a farm with buildings around it.

2. ***Silos***_Tall cylindrical buildings generally used to store food grains.