Unit I: Grasslands and Grassland Plants   Name _____

Lesson 1: An Introduction to Grasslands   Date _____

Evaluation

Circle the letter that corresponds to the best answer.

1. What is a savanna?

    a. Small, isolated grasslands found on hilltops and southwest-facing slopes
    b. Large grasslands in which trees and shrubs are nearly absent
    c. Grasslands with widely spaced trees and grasses as the main ground cover
    d. Grasslands in which plants and animals from western deserts are found

2. What is the goal of grassland conservation?

    a. To preserve native grasslands undisturbed by humans
    b. To ensure their long-term productivity and sustainability
    c. To conserve grasslands for uses other than agriculture
    d. To make use of all remaining native grasslands

3. What is a prairie?

    a. Grasslands in which many trees and shrubs are present
    b. Small, isolated grasslands found on hilltops and southwest-facing slopes
    c. Grasslands with desert-like conditions and desert plants and animals
    d. Large grasslands in which trees and shrubs are nearly absent

4. Native grasslands:

    a. Existed in America before the arrival of European settlers
    b. Include many different types of native European grasses
    c. Can be divided into two types – prairies and savannas
    d. Were seeded by Native Americans before Columbus arrived

5. Missouri is at the transition point between grassland and forest because it receives ___ ____ inches of rain a year.

    a. 20
    b. 25
    c. 30
    d. 35

6. What is a glade?

   a. Small, isolated grasslands with desert-like conditions
   b. Large grasslands in which trees and shrubs are nearly absent
   c. Grasslands that consist of grassland with widely spaced trees
   d. Grasslands in which many trees and shrubs are present

Complete the following short answer questions.

7. What are managed grasslands?

8. What does grassland management involve?

9. What are forages?

10. What are the five natural factors that affect the creation of grasslands?

   a.

   b.

   c.

   d.

   e.

11. In agricultural terms, what is a grassland?