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1:00pm

Wild Archaeology “The Big Kill,” - 4th thru 8th grade

In Alberta, the team meets with Piikani elder Dr. Reg Crowshoe to learn about the relationship between buffalo and the ancient people of the prairies.

After watching this episode, choose from the following questions and/or tasks to extend your learning

- What is the sacred relationship between the buffalo and the ancient people of the prairies?
- When was the interpretive center built?
- What can a visitor learn on each of the five levels of the center?
- Where is the Head-Smashed-In Buffalo-Jump located?
- What was the purpose of the “buffalo jump”?
- Why is the “buffalo jump” a successful food-getting enterprise?
- Who were the “buffalo runners”?
- How did the “buffalo runners” dress and why?

- Do you think efforts should be made to save the buffalo? Why or why not?
- Are there other animals that you think should be sacred? Why or why not?

- Research what the parts of the buffalo were used and for what purpose?
- Learn more about Dr. Reg Crowshoe and his history.
http://www.fourdirectionsteachings.com/blackfoot_bio.html

- Create a map showing Native Americans that lived on the plains and depended on the buffalo for their survival.
- Watch the following videos and generate a list of ideas, thoughts and feelings that resonate with you. Then write a poem showing the respect and gratitude the Native American Crow felt for the buffalo.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PXvdMfyg2mQ>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CLuTw-6CQOY>

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- How are people of the prairies today, working to save the buffalo and their traditions of the past?
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JURnsTOso_0