TOPIC 2 – HORSES RETURN

Topic Overview
Topic 2 highlights the return of horses to the North American continent. It includes primary sources that will help you understand the importance of horses to the Indian People of North Dakota and how horses became integrated into the lives and traditions of each tribe.

Topic Objectives
• As a result of the study of Topic 2, you will be able to
  o Analyze and interpret primary documents.
  o Explore the impact horses had on the lives of the Indian People.

ND Content Standards
• 8.1.2
• 8.3.4
• 8.6.1
• 8.6.2

Common Core Standards
• RH 7
• WHST 2
• WHST 9

Topic Activities
• Learning from Historical Documents
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When horses returned to the North American continent, they proved to be beneficial to the tribes of North Dakota. They were used for hunting, transportation, carrying heavy loads, and making ropes stronger by mixing horse and bison hair together. Horses were also integrated into many of the village traditions, and owning horses was a sign of wealth.

Study the following Images and Captions of horses (Images 1952-5531 and 0739-v1-p52a), and write down details you notice from each photo. What items do you see when looking at the horses in the photos? How are they being used? Under each photo, write what you have noticed about each photo. Then, in the center column, write down characteristics of the photos that were the same or portrayed the same theme for both photos. Discuss your findings with a partner or in a small group.

What do you notice about horses in each of these photos?

Image 1952-5531 (Decorated Lakota Tipi)
- Different
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Image 0739-v1-p52a (Woman with Horse and Travois)
- Same
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Different
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