



Worksheet 1. Reading: *Home on the Range*

Did you know that cowboys write poetry? They do. During all the time that cowboys have lived, they have told stories as they sit around the **campfire**. Some of these stories about the huge, wild American West have turned into songs and poetry. Here are the words of one old song and one new poem about the West.



Read the words of the song. Answer the questions that follow.

Home on the Range

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This verse of a traditional American song speaks about the glorious old West. This song is known by almost every person in the United States:



*Oh, give me a home
Where the buffalo **roam**
And the **deer** and the **antelope** play
Where seldom is heard
A **discouraging** word
And the skies are not cloudy all day.
Home, home **on the range**
Where the deer and the antelope play...*

The buffalo, the deer, and the antelope are three animals that live in the West. (All three have the same forms in the singular and the plural.)

The song idealizes life on the **prairies** in days gone by.

Circle T if the statement is true according to the song. Circle F if it is false.

1. T / F The words describe a home someone wants.
2. T / F The singer wants to live in a city.
3. T / F *Roam* means to *walk around*, to *wander*.
4. T / F The weather *on the range* is usually cloudy.
5. T / F The singer doesn't often hear *discouraging words* on the range.
6. T / F A *range* is a large, grassy area where animals live.
7. T / F A *prairie* is a wide open area of fairly flat land in North America.



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