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A Place Portrait

1) Take notes in the table below about the mental images formed by the details of each source following the example given. When you are done pull your notes together and write your own brief word portrait of the Great Plains.

Source	Notes
My Antonia	 burning sun, as if thermostat regulated for corn breathless (no wind) occasional rain
The Platte and the Desert	
Band of Sioux Moving Camp	
Sod House	
Giants in the Earth	
Dakota Life	
Turf House on the Great Plains	
Ranch Life and the Hunting Trail	

2)	You have a number of geographic resources at your disposal including those listed on
	the Place Portraits web page. Use these resources and pull together geographic
	data about the Great Plains. Include information about the:

- physical geography,
- land forms, and
- climate

3) Compare and contrast the image formed in your mind by each type of data - the written and picture descriptions on one hand and the more traditional geographic data on the other.