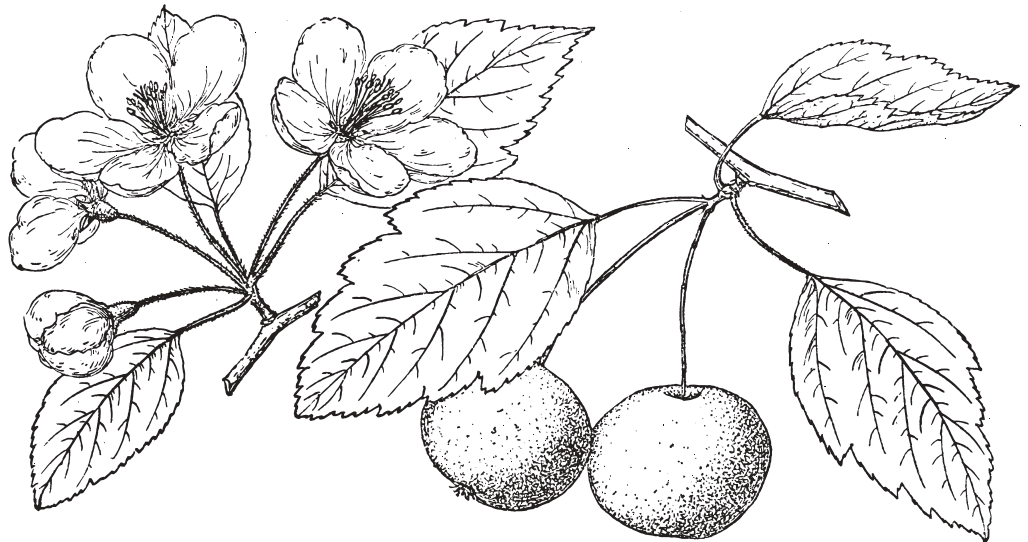


ALL ABOUT

& plants animals

IN THE GRASSLANDS



which plants & animals can we find in the grasslands?

- ① antelope - swift deer-like mammal with upward-pointing horns that lives in Africa & Asia
- ② armadillo - bony-plated mammal with a rounded body
- ③ bison - large, wild, shaggy North American mammal
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- ⑤ carnivore - animal that gets food from killing and eating other animals
- ⑥ cheetah - fast-running, spotted cat that lives in Africa and Asia
- ⑦ coyote - wolf-like wild dog native to North America
- ⑧ elephant - largest land mammal with big ears, ivory tusks & long trunk that lives in Africa & Asia
- ⑨ foxtail - a kind of meadow grass with spikes that look like brushes
- ⑩ giraffe - tallest African land mammal with a very long neck, long forelegs & spotted coat
- ⑪ graze - to feed on land that is covered in grass
- ⑫ herbivore - an animal that eats only plants
- ⑬ herd - large group of animals that feed and travel together
- ⑭ kangaroo - leaping Australian marsupial
- ⑮ lion - large, wild cat with golden brown fur that lives in Africa & India
- ⑯ ostrich - flightless, fast African bird with a long neck
- ⑰ pampas - large, flat areas of grassland in South America, especially Argentina
- ⑱ prairie - a large, open area of North American grassland
- ⑲ prairie dog - a small, furry North American mammal
- ⑳ predator - an animal that hunts, kills, and eats another animal
- ㉑ prey - an animal that is hunted or killed by another animal for food
- ㉒ pronghorn - large, North American mammal that looks like an antelope
- ㉓ rangeland - an Australian grassland
- ㉔ rhinoceros - large, plant-eating mammal with 1-2 horns & thick skin that lives in Africa & Asia
- ㉕ savanna - a tropical African grassland
- ㉖ steppe - a large area of grassland in Europe or Asia
- ㉗ temperate - climate with mild temperatures
- ㉘ tropical - hot and humid climate, related to the areas on either side of the equator
- ㉙ wildflower - flower that grows in the wild that was not planted on purpose
- ㉚ zebra - wild African horse-like mammal with black and white stripes

test your grasslands knowledge!

Match each word and definition by writing the correct letter in the blank.

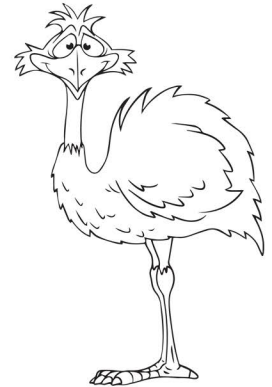
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| _____ graze | A. Australian grassland |
| _____ cheetah | B. large group of animals that feed & travel together |
| _____ elephant | C. animal hunted or killed by another animal for food |
| _____ giraffe | D. largest land mammal with long trunk |
| _____ herd | E. grassland in Europe or Asia |
| _____ pampas | F. animal that hunts, kills & eats another animal |
| _____ prairie | G. to feed on land covered in grass |
| _____ predator | H. large, flat grassland in South America |
| _____ prey | I. tropical African grassland |
| _____ rangeland | J. tallest African land mammal |
| _____ savanna | K. North American grassland |
| _____ steppe | L. fast, spotted cat of Africa & Asia |

GRASSLANDS WORD SEARCH

ANTELOPE
 ARMADILLO
 BISON
 BUFFALO GRASS
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OSTRICH
 PAMPAS
 PRAIRIE
 PRAIRIE DOG
 PREDATOR
 PREY
 PRONGHORN
 RANGELAND
 RHINOCEROS
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Big Bird Bio

The ostrich is a very strange bird, but one thing it does not do is hide its head in the sand. Some people believe that when an ostrich is scared, it buries its head under the ground. What really happens is that a frightened ostrich will drop to the ground, stick out its neck parallel with it, and watch carefully. If there is real danger, the ostrich will get up and run. Running might seem strange because the ostrich is a bird. However, it cannot fly. It makes up for being flightless by being one of the fastest runners in the animal kingdom. An ostrich can run up to 70 miles per hour and maintain top speeds for half a mile. An ostrich's long legs can also deliver a powerful forward kick. The ostrich is the largest of all birds. It can grow up to eight feet in height and weigh 300 pounds. The ostrich is the egg-laying champion among birds. Ostrich eggs measure up to seven inches long and six inches around. One ostrich egg is as heavy as two dozen chicken eggs. Ostriches have no teeth. They swallow pebbles to grind their food. In some African countries, ostriches are made to wear special saddles and bridles. People climb on their backs and have races, just like we do with horses.

1) Ostriches swallow small rocks because ---

- A) they can be converted into food
- B) large rocks slow them down
- C) the rocks are used as food grinders
- D) they have large eyes but very poor eyesight

2) What is a frightened ostrich most likely to do when it senses danger?

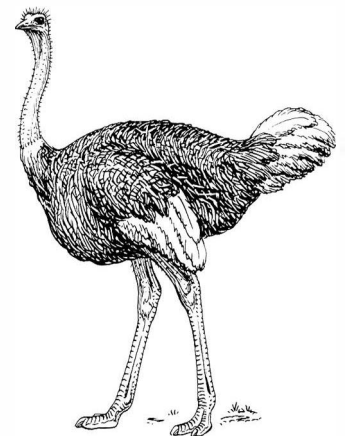
- A) lay a giant egg
- B) bite using its sharp teeth
- C) fly away quickly
- D) run fast in the opposite direction

3) According to the text, how can ostriches be compared to horses?

- A) Both swallow pebbles to grind food.
- B) Both have powerful forward kicks.
- C) Both have very large teeth.
- D) Both can be ridden and raced.

4) Both the context clues and the suffix -less help the reader know that the word *flightless* means ---

- A) full of flight
- B) not able to fly
- C) able to run fast
- D) without feathers



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wildflower

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Cut out all of these cards to be used as your BINGO calling cards
You can call out the names of the plants and animals, or you can
just read the description listed below!

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with a very long neck, long
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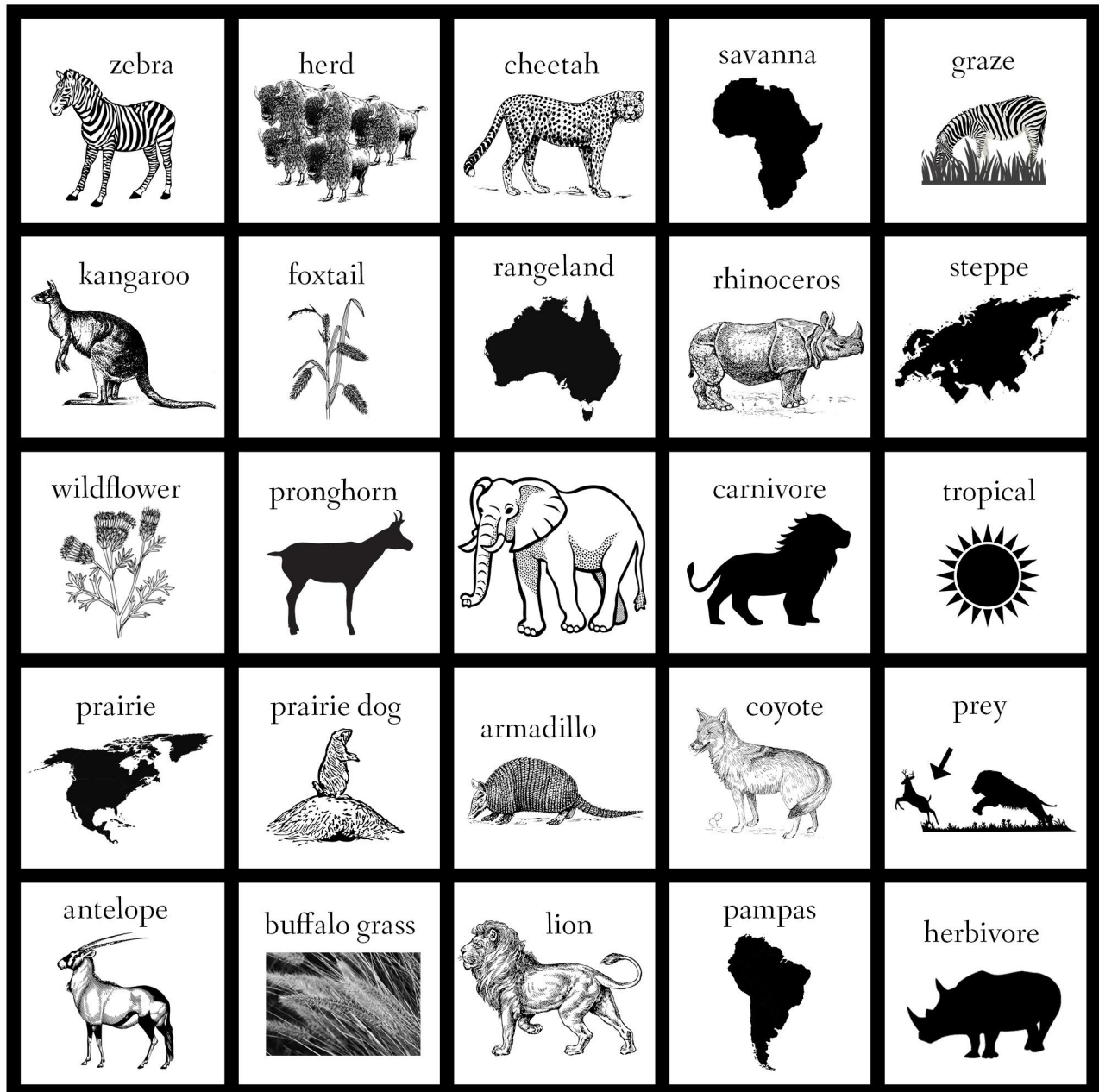
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ostrich

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bird with a long neck

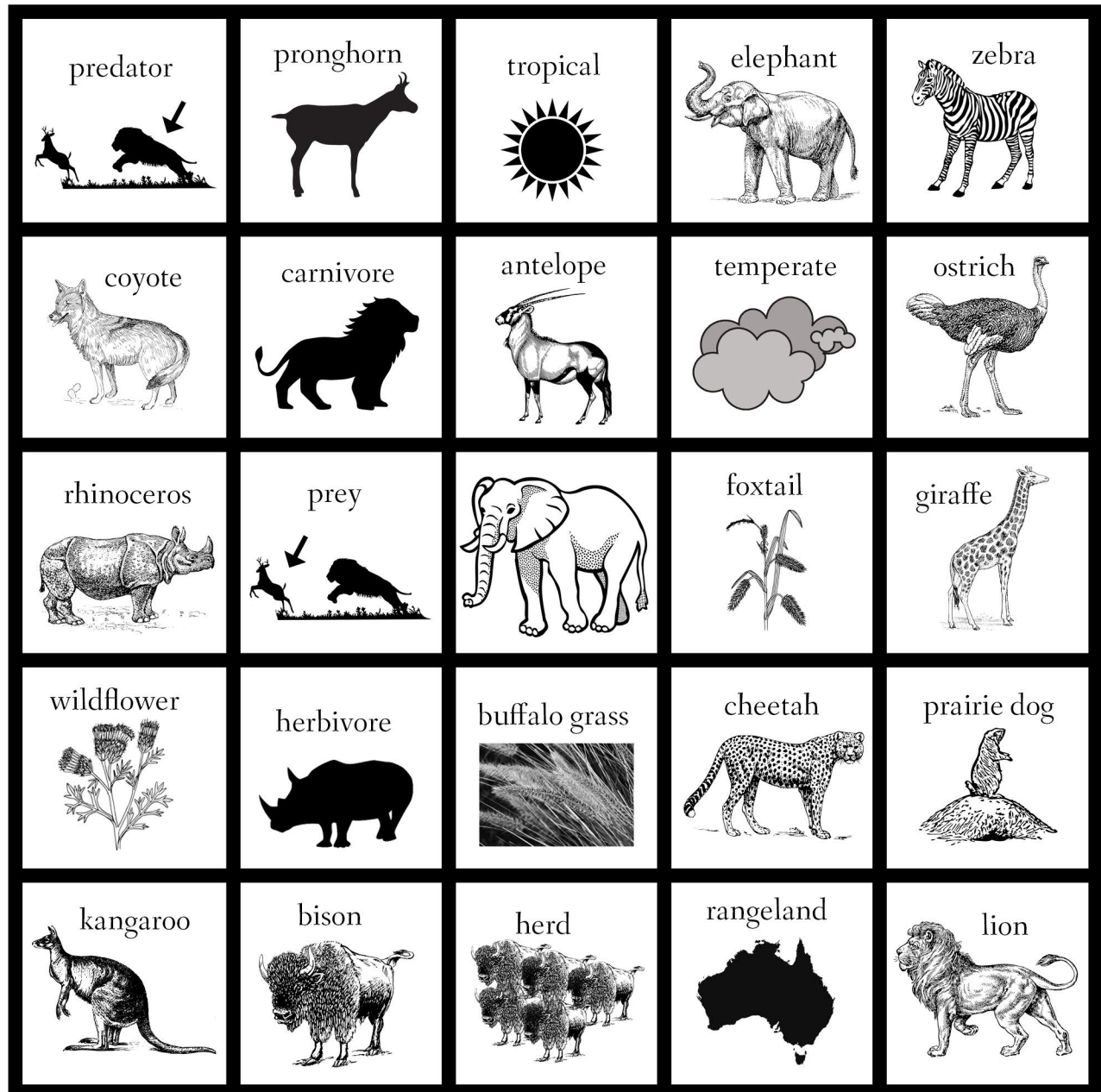
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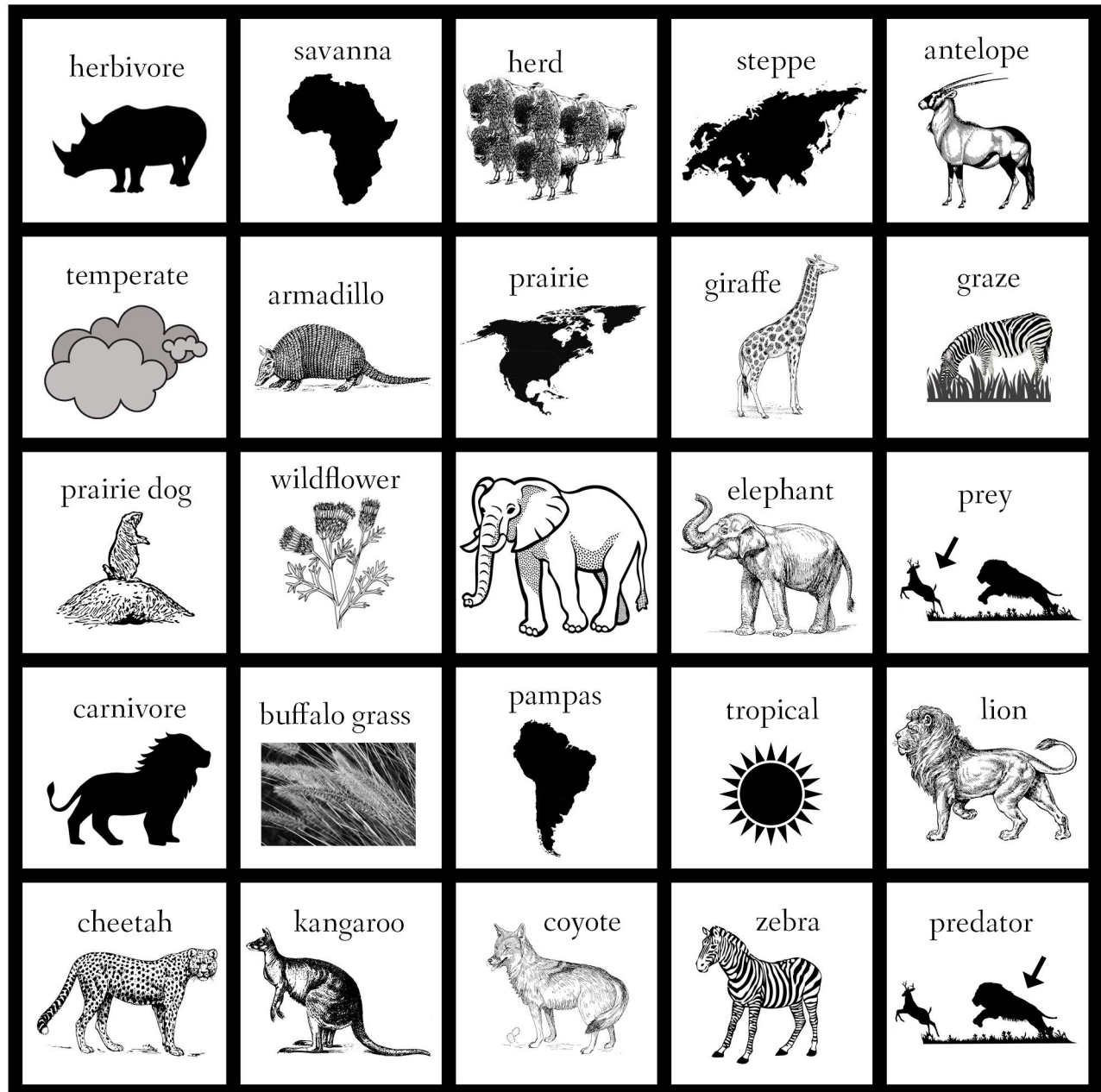
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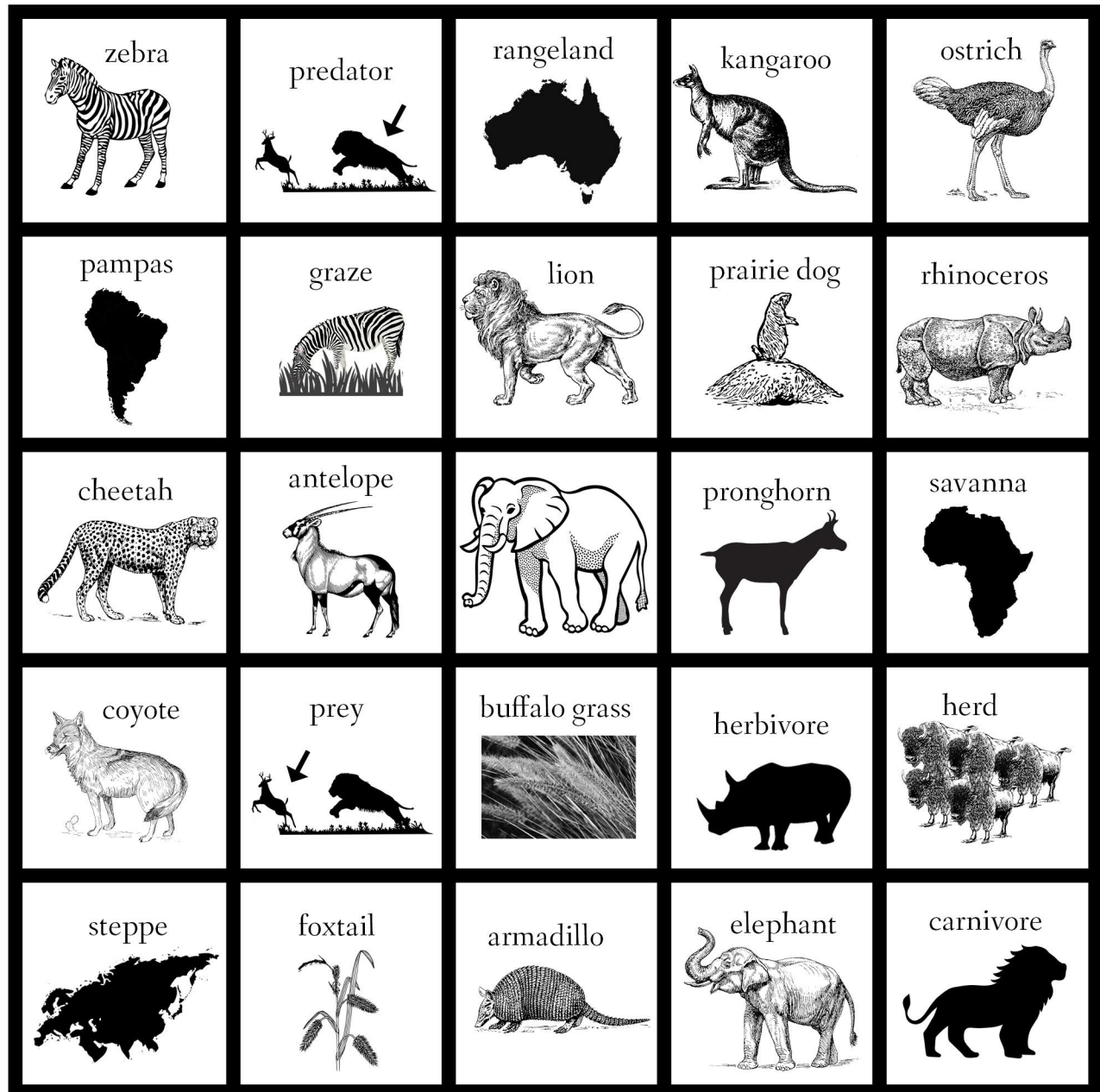
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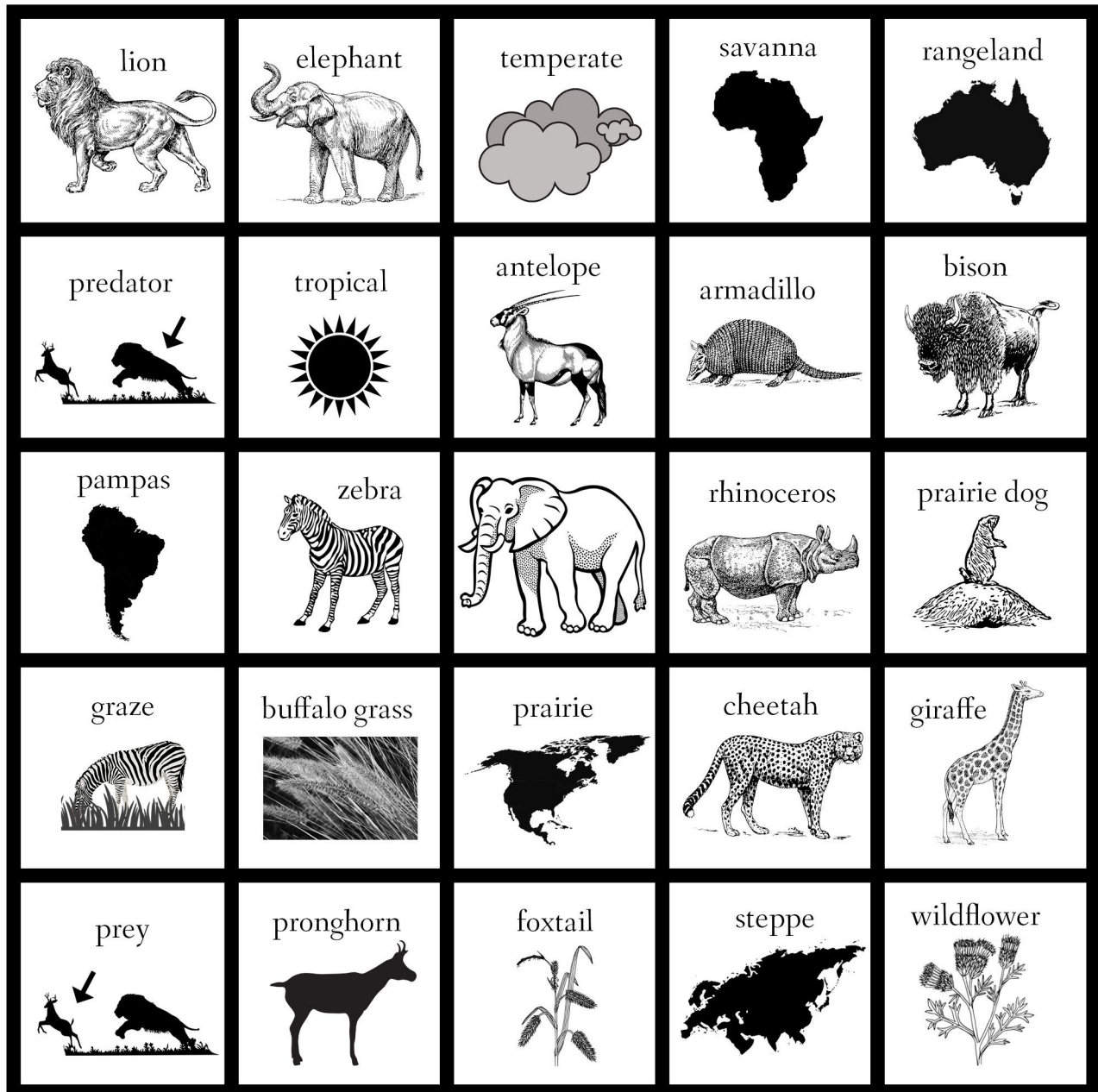
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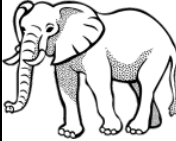
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| zebra | wildflower |  | predator | pampas |
| graze | foxtail | armadillo | prairie dog | temperate |
| giraffe | lion | prairie | tropical | savanna |

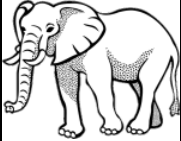
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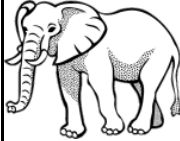
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