**The Metis and the Red River Settlement**

**The Battle for the Fur Trade**

* Competition between the HBC and the NWC was increasing because fur resources were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Both companies had to change tactics to remain in business.

**The Metis**

* Many men in the NWC married Native women
  + The NWC thought these marriages would encourage \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + Wives of fur traders enjoyed an improved standard of living and their lives were generally easier.
* With many marriages a community of people developed.
  + Settled in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + They called themselves the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
    - People with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ancestry.
  + Usually spoke French and Algonkian.
* Were Roman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Developed a lifestyle that combined both Native and European customs.

**Metis Customs**

* The Metis both farmed and hunted to survive.
* The Metis used a seignurial pattern to organize their farms.
  + A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pattern.
  + This would later cause problems with land surveyors.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hunt was an important event that occurred twice a year.
  + It was considered the most important social event for the Metis.

**The Bison Hunt**

* Took place in the early summer and autumn.
* Provided fresh bison hides, as well as meat and fat that were required to make

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

* Metis women, men and children would set out across the Prairies in Red River \_\_\_\_\_\_, travelling many days in the search of the right herd.
* The hunt brought together the entire Metis community.

**The Red River Colony**

* Thomas Douglas (Lord \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) decided that he wanted to establish a colony in Red River.
* He wanted to help the poor \_\_\_\_\_\_ farmers in Scotland.
* Tenant farmers do not own their land
  + They work on someone else’s land and are a tenant.
  + In Scotland they were being kicked off their land and had nowhere to go.
  + Selkirk (also a director of the HBC) also hoped that food produced by the farmers in Red River could be used to feed HBC employees.

**Problems in Red River**

* The HBC gave Lord Selkirk 300 000 km of land in Rupert’s land.
  + Called “Selkirk’s grant”
  + But they did not think about the people who were already there.
    - The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* The Scottish farmers were unprepared for the harsh weather conditions.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Issued to protect the Selkirk colonists’ food supply.
  + Forbade the sale or export of pemmican from Red River.
  + The Metis relied on the proceeds of selling pemmican to the NWC and were very angry.
* There was constant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between the Metis/NWC and the colonists of Red River.
  + Key leaders in Red River were to blame
    - Miles Macdonell
    - Robert Semple
* Each group harassed the other in various ways.
  + Burning buildings
  + Trampling crops
* The tension created resulted in an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ conflict between the groups.
  + The Metis felt they had more claim to the land then the settlers.
  + The settlers felt the Metis were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because of their mixed ancestry

**The Battle of Seven Oaks**

* The Metis fired the first gun shot.
* They were skilled sharpshooters and outnumbered Semple and his men 3:1.
* Resulted in the death of\_\_\_\_\_\_ colonists and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Metis.
* This battle turned the dispute between the HBC, NWC and Metis into a full-fledged conflict.
* This battle increased \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tensions in the Red River Settlement.

**The Merger**

* In \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the HBC and NWC joined together.
* The new company took the name The Hudson’s Bay Company.
* The company was given control over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Based on what you have learned from the PowerPoint, create a concept map (web diagram) about the Metis.