Changes on the Western Frontier Cultures Clash on the Prairie

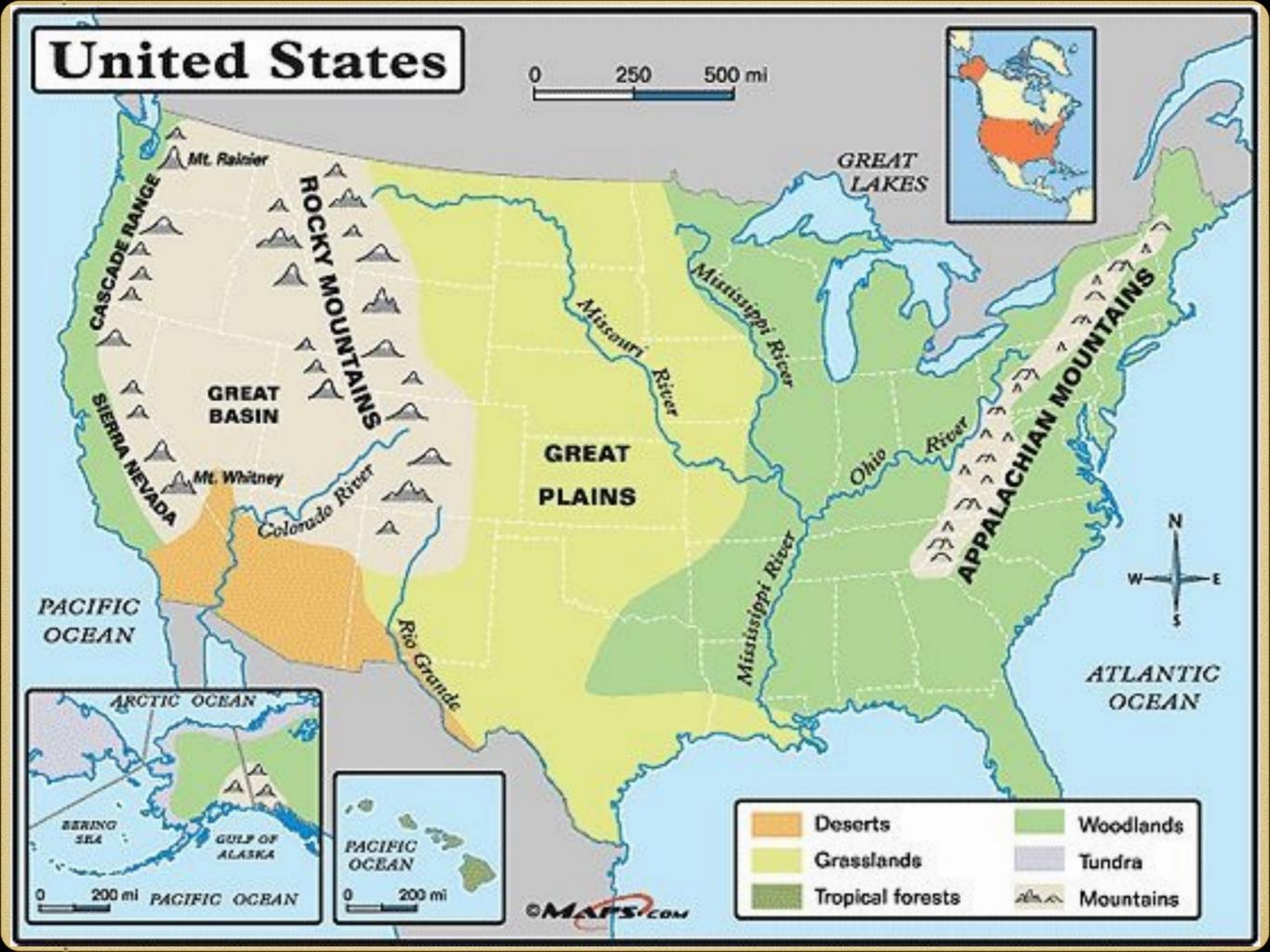
Guiding Question: How did cultural differences between Natives & Settlers lead to violence & conflict?

Culture of the Plains Indians



Where

- <u>Great Plains</u>–grasslands in west-central portion of the U.S.
- East: hunting, farming villages
- West: nomadic hunting, gathering



Buffalo

Buffalo provides many basic needs:
-skins used for housing and clothing
-meat used for jerky, pemmican



• Horses allow for hunting of buffalo & nomadic life (travel further & faster)



Family Life

- Men are hunters, warriors; women butcher meat, prepare hides
- Children learn through myths, stories, games, example
- Communal life; leaders rule by counsel

Land

 Native Americans believe land cannot be owned (sort of like the air or surrounding atmosphere cannot be owned)

