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Student Study Guide
America's Heartland

Episode 118 – Truffles

1. What state is the location for this segment of America's Heartland? _____.
2. If white _____ are the Chevrolets of fungi, then _____ must be considered the Cadillacs. They are an expensive delicacy usually grown and harvested in the forests of _____ .
3. At least two truffle lovers believe that they can grow well in the forests of rural _____ .
4. The truffle is a _____ that grows on the _____ of _____ in a symbiotic _____.
5. The truffles you may have eaten did not taste like a fungus but are _____ .
6. Truffles are not a food one would encounter everyday. Where are you most likely to find them on the menu? _____.
7. Some people do not like truffles. To those people truffles just taste like _____ .
8. As far back as the _____ century, farmers used _____ to sniff out the fungus on tree roots. Trees are inoculated with the fungus in France today.
9. Once truffles grew only in Europe. How did they make their way to the United States? _____

How long did it take after he planted the trees before he knew that truffles could grow in North Carolina? _____

10. Frank and Betty Garland now sell inoculated trees to those interested in growing this crop.

Many people are interested in doing so because of the price of truffles. What is the price range (per pound) for this tasty fungus? _____

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