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5. What is the main idea of this text?

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- C. DNA analysis of an ancient infant's remains has allowed scientists to link the Clovis culture to Native Americans.
- D. Scientists studying the remains of an ancient infant worked closely with Native American tribes in Montana to ensure that the remains were treated appropriately.

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What word could best replace "While" in the first sentence?

- A. Currently
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- 8. Who is Anzick-1? Be sure to mention the Clovis people in your answer.
- **9.** Scientists discovered a link between the DNA of Anzick-1 and the DNA of a Siberian youth. Who else has been genetically linked with the Siberian youth?
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Suggested answer: Answers should resemble the following. Anzick-1 is the one-year-old boy whose remains were discovered in 1968 in western Montana. He is the only human skeleton that has been identified as one of the Clovis people.

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Suggested answer: Today's Native Americans have been genetically linked with the Siberian youth.

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Support your answer with evidence from the text.

Suggested answer: Answers may vary but should be supported by the text. For example: It is highly likely that the ancestors of today's Native Americans came from Asia. The discovery of Anzick-1 in Montana provides evidence of this. Anzick-1 was a member of the Clovis people. Scientists found similarities between his DNA and that of a Siberian youth who lived 24,000 years ago. Scientists have also genetically linked the Siberian youth with today's Native Americans. These connections suggest that a group of people migrated to North America from Asia and gave rise to the Clovis people, who in turn gave rise to Native Americans.