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## How Does a Bison Reproduce?

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Bison likely mate in summer because it ensures calves are born when food is plentiful.
2. A calf starts with a reddish coat and small size, then grows larger and changes color as it matures.
3. The mother's protection increases the calf's survival, ensuring the species continues.
4. Without care, many calves might not survive due to predators and lack of food.

