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*Answer Each Question as Thoroughly as Possible*

1. Describe the first great boom of the West? What attracted the first people to the West?
2. Describe the buildup of mining towns? How did others decide to make money off mining without actually mining?
3. What is a “boomtown?” What happened when the “boom” ended?
4. Describe why the transcontinental railroad had been delayed.
5. Describe the two ways Congress used to help the railroad companies build the railroad.
6. Describe the working conditions the Chinese faced when working on the transcontinental railroad.
7. Describe the effects of the railroad on Western life/life for Native Americans.
8. Describe the Homestead Act and the conditions that had to be met to receive the benefits of the Act.
9. Describe the differences in Native American cultures.

Short answer

1. Describe the policy of the US government toward Native Americans before 1850. Why did the government move the Native Americans to the Great Plains?
2. What does the phrase “rain would follow the plow” mean? What effect did the saying have on Westward movement?

Short answer

1. What is a reservation?
2. Since Native Americans were allowed the freedom to roam, what conditions did they face on the reservations?
3. Describe the two threats to Native American life on the reservations.
4. Describe what happened as Native American life was threatened.
5. Describe the differences between how humanitarian groups felt Native Americans should be handled versus how settlers felt they should be handled.

Short answer

1. Describe the findings of the United States Indian Peace Commission.
2. Describe the conditions of the Fort Laramie Treaty.
3. Describe how many Indian Agents made life even more difficult for Native Americans.
4. Describe the three conditions facing Native Americans that were a recipe for tragedy. What did these conditions lead to?
5. Describe the Battle of Little Big Horn. Why was it important? (If you don’t remember I will tell you in class)
6. How did the Native American’s ability to resist diminish toward the end of the Indian Wars?
7. Why did the Ghost Dance become popular at the end of the Indian Wars?
8. Describe the confrontation at Wounded Knee.
9. Describe the use of Assimilation toward the Native Americans.
10. Describe the Dawes Act. Why was it not an effective system?
11. Describe the Compromise of 1877.

Short answer

1. What were the Jim Crowe Laws?
2. Describe 3 ways in which southern states restricted African American voters.
3. How was de facto segregation felt in the North?
4. Describe the ruling of *Plessy* v. *Ferguson* (1896).
5. Describe the approach of Booker T. Washington toward achieving equality for African Americans.
6. Describe the approach of W.E.B. Du Bois toward achieving equality for African Americans.

Short answer

1. Describe lynching. Why was it used?
2. Describe Benjamin Singleton and the Exodusters.