**Miners**

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Many Americans moved out west to settle in the last frontier which included the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Gold was found at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the state of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,while silver was found at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the state of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Some of the other states that had mining booms were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Miners claimed land, set up camps, and built \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , or factories to clean the mined materials.

Those searching for valuable minerals such as gold and silver were known as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

After most of the gold and silver was mined, miners left and the towns suffered something called a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

These abandoned towns became known as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

* Gold Rush 1849 …California 49ers
* Miners searched for gold and silver
* Pikes Peak in Colorado--gold
* Comstock Lode in Nevada—silver
* Fast growth in area - called a boom- cities appeared
* Towns sprang up - refineries were built to clean the new minerals up
* Prospectors often fought each other = lawless
* When miners left—became ghost towns
* Booms (growth of population and $$) often turned to busts (decline of population and $$)

**Ranchers**

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Vast (means huge) grasslands attracted many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

What were many cattle raised for ? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Another term for the fat from cattle is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and this was used to make \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

People in the east wanted more beef. At first, how did the ranchers get their cattle to the east? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name 3 of the trails, or long cattle drives by name. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (4 were mentioned)

Name two “cow towns” along the railroad tracks. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The main city that the cows were all sent to by railroad was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

* Many ranchers in Texas - cattle
* Cattle demand grew
* Ranchers had to get beef to the east
* Long drives-got cattle herds to railroads
* Sedalia Trail – From Texas to Missouri
* Others long drive trails like Chisholm, Western, Goodnight-Loving
* Sent to Chicago ( main beef town) and prepared beef for market
* Then beef was sent in refrigerated freight cars – east to cities

**Homesteaders**

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In the Homestead Act of 1862, how many acres did the pioneers get? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How long did these pioneers have to live on the land to actually claim it? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Not only did Americans rush out to claim this land, but also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from Europe.

Write down three difficulties that homesteaders had to deal with living on the plains.

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and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Who (what group) had been delivering mail out to this area but finally stopped? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Who invented the improved steel plow to help the pioneers? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Why did planting Russian Wheat help the pioneers somewhat? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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How did the farmers keep cattle out of their crops? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What were two negatives ( bad things) that these fences caused?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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When did the government actually declare this last frontier closed? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Homestead Act 1862
* Acres of Land – 21 yrs. old-5 yrs. living there
* Homesteaders-RUSHED to claim land
* Life out west very difficult. . . lack of trees – water-bad weather
* Pony Express- mail on horseback
* Many left, too rough--some stayed and used technology
* James Oliver –steel plow
* Ranchers vs. Farmers - hard to keep cattle out of crops
* Barbed wire fences to separate
* Open range free grazing land
* Fences caused problems- cutting / shooting – “range wars”
* So many people( 5 million= too many) caused closing of last frontier in 1890

**Conflicts in the West**

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Native Americans had always depended on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for food and clothing.

To move the Native Americans out of lands, our government set up special areas and land called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

When Indians wouldn’t leave the Black Hills area an attack by General \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ occurred against the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tribes.

After almost all Native Americans had been moved to reservations, Congress granted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to all Native Americans and then the right to govern themselves.

* Native Americans depended on buffalo
* Buffalo dying off due to settlers killing and railroads
* Plains Indians had to sign treaties
* Set up reservations
* Sioux Nation – reservation in Black Hills
* After gold found in Black Hills, soldiers tried to move all Indians out
* Colonel George Custer-attack against Sioux and Cheyenne at Little Big Horn River
* Crazy Horse Sitting Bull- won but were later defeated
* Nez Perce Indians tried to go to Canada but surrendered
* 1924- citizenship to all Native Americans