




# U1-Citizenship and Frontier Notes

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## ▼ Learning Targets

- 3A: I can analyze political issues such as Indian policies
- 3B: I can analyze economic issues such as the growth of railroads, farm issues, and the cattle industry boom
- 2A: I can identify the major eras in US History from 1877 to the present
- 2A: I can describe the characteristics of major eras from US History from 1877

## ▼ Warm up:

1. Farming
2. Railroads
3. Trains
4. Cattle
5. Horses

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## ▼ Lecture 1:

- What is Manifest Destiny?
  - The idea that the US was ordained (commanded or blessed by God) to settle the land from East to West ("From Sea to Shining Sea")

- Where did Americans go to mine for gold?
  - Many Americans were lured to the west by the chance to strike it rich by mining gold.
- Who worked in the mines? Were were 1/3 of the workers from?
  - Miners from the US, France, Germany, Ireland, Mexico and China. 1/3 of the workers were from China
- Which two began as mining towns?
  - Denver
  - Colorado Springs
- How were railroad companies able to expand west?
  - The government provided land and land grants
- What railway connected the East Coast with the West Coast?
  - Central Pacific
  - Union Pacific
- Who was used to build the railroads?
  - Immigrant workers
- Where were they from?
  - China
  - Ireland
  - Mexico
  - Africa
- What spot completed the the Transcontinental Railroad?
  - Promontory Point joined the railroads with a golden spike on May 10, 1869
- Why were time zones created?

- Time zones were created so that railroad schedules could be coordinated
- How did cattle ranching begin?
  - Cattle started to come together and roam around Texas.
- Where were most cattle ranchers located?
  - Texas
- How were cows moved north to be processed?
  - Created cattle Drives
- What invention prevented cows from roaming freely?
  - Barbed wire
- What is a cattle town?
  - A place for cattle to be loaded onto trains and ship them to markets in the East
- What are two examples of cattle towns in Texas?
  - San Angelo
  - Fort Worth
- What are refrigerated packing plants?
  - A place for cattle processing
- Name 3 examples of refrigerated packing plants
  - Armour
  - Swift
  - Libby
- Name 2 reasons why the cattle boom ended
  - Bitter Winter
  - Extreme summer
- What was the Homestead Act?

- An act in which the government gives 160 acres of land for farming
- What part of the country did farmers move to?
  - People settled in the west
- People that moved west through the Homestead Act were called what?
  - Homesteaders
- Why did homesteaders live in sod homes?
  - They did not have the resources to build lumber homes
- What kind of relationship did farmers and railroad companies have?
  - They had a bad relationship

#### ▼ Wrap up:

- Identify 3 pull factors that drew people West
  - Homestead Act
  - Railroad Jobs
  - Mining Jobs
- Brainstorm: Why did people leave the East Coast?
  - People Needed Jobs




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#### ▼ Lecture 2:

- What happened to Indians as Americans moved West?
  - They got kicked off their land and put on reservations
- Describe the impact of westward expansion on the bison/buffalo population
  - The buffalo were hunted and became extinct




#### **Policies**

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- What is Assimilation?
  - Accepting white man culture

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