

Westward Expansion

GADOE Teacher Notes: Guided Reading, Vocabulary, and Review

Students will access the GADOE Teacher Notes and review the content for Standards #12a- #12c(The Plains and 19th Century Westward Expansion) pgs. 115 - 118

Standards Covered:

SSUSH12- Evaluate how westward expansion impacted the Plains Indians and fulfilled Manifest Destiny

- a. *Examine the construction of the transcontinental railroad including the use of immigrant labor*
- b. *Evaluate how the growth of western population and innovations in farming and ranching impacted Plains Indians*
- c. *Explain the Plains Indians' resistance to western expansion of the United States and the consequences of their resistance*

Guided Reading Questions: Westward Expansion

1. What were the critical components of the Transcontinental Railroad's construction?
2. Who were the main laborers on the Transcontinental Railroad?
3. Why was construction so dangerous?
4. What was the importance of the Transcontinental Railroad?
5. How did settlers use the railroads? Western farmer and ranchers?
6. What was ranching in the West like prior to the 1880s?
7. What new development led to a decrease in the open-range system?
8. How was farming changed after the Civil War?
9. What were the provisions of the Fort Laramie Treaty? Why was it ineffective?
10. How did the United States government challenge American Indians? Where were most Plains tribes forced to live?
11. Describe Sitting Bull and his impact on the fighting between the United States and the Lakota Indians.
12. What did Sitting Bull's tribe believe the Ghost Dance would do?
13. What was the result of the battle at Wounded Knee?