

Chapter 5 – Section 3

Farming, mining, and ranching.

Questions

- 1. What were five reasons the Great Plains was not the farmer's paradise settlers had hoped for?
- 2. What was dry farming and why was it used?
- 3. What change helped farmers in the late 1800s?
- 4. What were three ways agricultural knowledge grew?

Questions

- 5. What were Bonanza farms?
- 6. What problem did this sometimes create?
- 7. What drove people to California and Pike's Peak, Colorado.
- 8. Who became miners and why?

Questions

- 9. What reputation did mining towns develop?
- 10. Why did many gold prospectors pack up so quickly and leave mining cities as deserted ghost towns?
- 11. Why did large corporations move in to the area?
- 12. What is meant by “Big Business” and why was it taking over?

Questions

- 13. What did settlers in Texas learn from the Mexicans?
- 14. What were two ways the land was opened for grazing cattle?
- 15. Why was it profitable to be a rancher?

Questions

- 16. What were “Cow Towns” and name three.
- 17. What was the “Long Drive?”
- 18. What were five reasons cowboy life was so difficult?
- 19. What were four reasons the days of the cowboy came to an end?