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History B (Schools History Project)

Unit 2: Schools History Project Depth Study

Option 2B: The American West, c1840–c1895

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Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

Paper Reference

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You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer Questions 1 and 2, **EITHER** Question 3 **OR** 4 and then **EITHER** Question 5(a) and 5(b) **OR** 6(a) and 6(b).
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk** (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
– *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression, on these questions.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer Question 1 AND Question 2.

Question 1

Study Source A.

Source A: A photograph of homesteaders on the Plains in the 1880s.



1 What can you learn from Source A about the lives of homesteaders on the Plains?

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(Total for Question 1 = 4 marks)



2 The boxes below show aspects of the culture of the Plains Indians.

Choose **one** and explain how it helped the Plains Indians to live successfully on the Great Plains.

(9)

Attitudes to land and nature

The social structure of tribes

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(Total for Question 2 = 9 marks)



Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4.

EITHER

3 Why was there so much conflict on the Plains between the cattle ranchers and homesteaders?

(12)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- Texas Fever was spread among cattle by ticks.
- 1874: The invention of barbed wire.
- 1892: The Johnson County War.

(Total for Question 3 = 12 marks)

OR

4 In what ways did the work of cowboys change in the period 1865–95?

(12)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- The Long Drive from Texas to Abilene could take up to four months.
- 1860s: John Iliff developed large-scale ranching in Wyoming.
- 1874: The invention of barbed wire.

(Total for Question 4 = 12 marks)



Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross ☒ in the box.
If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒
and then indicate your new question with a cross ☒.

Chosen Question Number: **Question 3** ☒ **Question 4** ☒

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Answer EITHER Question 5 OR Question 6.

You must answer both parts of the question you choose.

EITHER

5 (a) Describe the difficulties faced by people migrating West in wagon trains in the 1840s. (9)

*(b) 'The destruction of the buffalo was the main reason for the end of the Plains Indians' traditional way of life'. Do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- 1885: There were approximately 200 buffalo left on the Great Plains.
- 1887: The Dawes Act was passed.
- 1890s: Christians often taught in schools on the reservations.

(Total for Question 5 = 25 marks)

OR

6 (a) Describe the ways in which the railroads led to an increase in the numbers of people settling in the West after 1869. (9)

*(b) 'Broken treaties were the main reason for the Sioux Wars in the 1860s and 1870s'. Do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- From 1863 onwards Sitting Bull refused to live on the reservation.
- 1868: Fort Laramie Treaty.
- 1874: Gold was discovered in the Black Hills.

(Total for Question 6 = 25 marks)



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