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Unit 4: Growth & Imperialism Republic Reading Check

Due date: _____

Directions: Answer the following questions using either your class notes OR the digital textbook provided on our class website. You may work on the questions at your own pace (either in class if time permits and/or outside of class)

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.

1. What was the Transcontinental Railroad? How was land collected for the purpose of the transcontinental railway?
2. Who contributed the most as far as monetary funds towards the transcontinental railway project?
3. Typically where did immigrants emigrate from into the U.S. to work on the Transcontinental Railway project?
4. How were Chinese workers brought into the railway construction business? How did their experience compare to other European immigrant workers?
5. How was the concept of Manifest Destiny seen in the completion of the Transcontinental Railway in 1869?

b. Evaluate how the growth of the western population and innovations in farming and ranching impacted the Plains Indians.

6. How did railway companies aid in the development of the Midwest and west?
7. What was the Homestead Act of 1862? How did this impact Natives already living on Midwestern lands?
8. Describe how ranching became a successful Midwestern business? What role did "cowboys" play in this success?

c. Explain the Plain's Indians' resistance to western expansion of the United States and the consequences of their resistance.

9. Describe the terms of the Fort Laramie Treaty? Why was this treaty not very effective?

10. What happened during the Battle of Little Bighorn? How many Americans were lost during this event?

11. How did the United States react to the events at Little Bighorn?

12. Who was Sitting Bull? What role did he play in Native Indian and American relations?

13. Describe the events at the Battle of Wounded Knee?