The American West c 1835-1895 Part III PLC

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| Key Topics | RAG Rating | Strategies for / Proof of Improvement |
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| **A) Migration West c1876-1895** |
| * Migration 1879-1890 (Exoduster Movement, Dawes Act and Oklahoma Land rushes)
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| * How the problems of farming were overcome (barbed wire, new farming methods)
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| **B) The Cattle Industry and Ranching** |
| The fall of the cattle industry* 1876 – introduction of barbed wire
* 1882 – fall of beef prices
* 1883 – drought / overstocking
* 1886-87 – harsh winter
* 1887 – end of the open range
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| **C) Impact on Native Americans** |
| * Case Study: Battle of Little Big Horn (1876)
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| * Case Study: Ghost Dance (1890)
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| * Massacre of Wounded Knee (1890)
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| * How the Plains way of life was destroyed – hunting and extermination of the buffalo, life on reservations
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| * Got’t attitudes to Native Americans – Dawes Act 1887 and other policies
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| **D) Law and Order in the West** |
| Attempts to deal with law and order* Federal Gov’t: Marshalls & judges
* State Gov’t: town Marshalls, sheriffs and Texas rangers
* Non-official: Pinkertons & Vigilantes
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| * Case Study: Billy the Kid and Wyatt Earp
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| * Case study: The Johnson County War.
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| **Types of question on the exam paper** |
| * Explain two consequences of….
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| * Write a narrative account analysing…..
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| * Explain the importance of x to y.
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