Chapter 26

Answer carefully. Remember the effort put into thorough answers should result in easier test preparation and better results.

1. How did American Indian policy change in the 1860s? Why was this policy a failure? Explain existence of Indians on reservations. What American changes resulted in greater pressure to limit Indian territory? How did the slaughter to near extermination of the buffalo impact the Indians?
2. Identify the following: Chivington Massacre, Battle of Little Bighorn, Battle of Wounded Knee
3. How did the policies of Indian humanitarians differ from the policies of reservationists? SD: Helen Hunt Jackson, Dawes Severalty Act, boarding schools, Indian Reorganization Act
4. Americans believed a myth that an individual mining prospector would be able to make a claim and become rich. Extend how instead miners descended into a life of underpaid day labor. SD: helldorados,
5. What were the cattle drives of 1866 – 1888? How did they reflect changes resulting from the age of industry? Why did the cattle drives come to an end?
6. What was the Homestead Act? How did it reflect traditional American values?
7. Describe how farming in the west became big business: SD: the combine, bonanza farms, refrigerator cars
8. Explain the following problems that faced farmers: deflation, overproduction, banks and ruinous interest rates, boll weevils and grasshoppers, property taxes, railroads,