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1.01 Western Expansion Questions

1. Describe the construction of the transcontinental railroad (answer in at least 2 complete sentences)

2. What effect did the transcontinental railroad have on the United States? (Include at least 4 effects in your response)

3. What is a “boom town”? What areas in the west participated in this development?

4. In a paragraph, describe life in a typical mining town.

5. How did ranchers get their cattle to market? Discuss this process using at least 2 sentences.

6. The reading lists several cowboy myths and refutes them with reality. Pick any two and discuss the myth and reality below.

Myth #1:

Reality #1:

Myth #2:

Reality #2:

7. The work of a cowboy was difficult and dangerous. Explain in at least 2 complete sentences.

8. What developments led to the end of the long drive? Be sure to include at least 2 developments in your response.

9. Who was Benjamin “Pap” Singleton? What did he do?