**Ch 14.3 pt1**

**Activity**

Respond with detail to the following questions:

1. Why is Sutter’s Mill, Pikes Peak, and the Comstock Lode **each** important to the development of mining in the west?
2. How is mining important to the creation of some western states?
3. How did the push to discover precious metals in the west help to develop new technologies?
4. What is the origin of American cattle ranching traditions? Describe some specific ranching traditions and their practical purpose/s.
5. What important changes led to the boom in cattle production?
6. Explain why cow towns sprang up where they did. Why were they called cow towns? Name three.
7. Describe the life of a cowboy on a cattle drive. Use specific examples to illustrate your response.
8. Who were Charles Goodnight and Oliver Loving? What impact did they have on the ranching industry?