**Westward Expansion Review Guide (Ch 14)**

**Sec 1: Moving West Sec 2: Indian Wars Sec 3: Mining, Ranching Sec 4: Populism**

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| -push/pull factors-Mormons-Pacific Railway Acts-Morrill Land-Grant Acts-land speculator-Homestead Act-Exoduster | -Great Plains-Indian Wars-reservations-Bureau of Indian Affairs-Sand Creek Massacre 1864-Battle of Little Bighorn 1876-Col. George Custer-Sitting Bull-Crazy Horse-Ghost Dance-Massacre at Wounded Knee-assimilation-Dawes Act | -boom town-Pike’s Peak-Comstock Lode-Cattle Boom-ranching-destruction of buffalo-cowboy-cattle drive-Homesteaders-“soddie”-Frederick Jackson Turner-Turner Thesis-Buffalo Bill Cody | -Populism-deflation-Monetary Policy-Gold Bugs-bimetalic standard-gold standard-Silverites-“free silver”-Bland-Allison Act-Sherman Silver Purchase Act-The Grange-Farmer’s Alliances |

**Ch 14: Westward Expansion**

 **Sec 1: Moving West**

* What were some of the push factors that moved people westward? … pull factors?
* Why was the US Government trying to get Americans to move west? What incentives did the Gov. use to get people to go west?
* Who moved west (what types of people… pg490)?
* What was it like living as a Homesteader?

**Sec 2: Conflict with Native Americans**

* What caused changes in the life of the Plains Indians?
* What justifications were used by the US government for taking Indian lands?
* How were the BIA and reservations used as tools against Indians?
* Who was involved and what was the outcome of: The Sand Creek Massacre, The Battle of Little Big Horn, The Battle of Wounded Knee
* What was the purpose of the Dawes Act and “assimilation”?

**Sec 3: Mining, Ranching, and Farming**

* How did mining spread in the West?
* What effect did reports of Pike’s Peak, and the Comstock Lode have on westward expansion?
* What techniques were developed for mining at this time?
* What caused the western cattle boom?
* What effects did the cattle boom have on the natural landscape and wildlife?
* Describe the difficulties of life on a homestead.
* What effect did new machines and farm technology have on the farming industry in the west?
* What were the Turner Thesis and its effect on American attitudes toward the frontier?

**Sec 4: Populism**

* Why did farmers complain about federal post-Civil War economic policies?
* How were farmers affected by the panics of 1873 and 1893?
* Why did farmers become interested in monetary policy and support a “bimetallic standard”? What was the advantage to farmers for using 2 metals as a source of American currency?
* What was the purpose of the Bland-Allison Act and the Sherman Silver Purchase Act?
* What was the intended effect of protest organizations like “The Grange” and Farmers’ Alliances?
* What role did farmers’ organizations play in bringing about regulations such as the ICC and the Sherman Antitrust Act?
* Who were the Populists, what were their goals, and what long-term legacy will they leave on American government and society?