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TRANSFORMING THE WEST

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CHECKPOINTS

Answer each question using complete sentences.

1. What were the two major phases of mining?
2. How did the government encourage the development of a transcontinental railroad?
3. How did the railroad affect the cattle industry?
4. Why did farmers move to the Plains?
5. What were some of the causes of prejudice and discrimination in the West?

TERMS AND PEOPLE

For each of the following terms, write two or three sentences explaining its significance.

1. vigilante
2. transcontinental railroad
3. land grant
4. open-range system
5. Homestead Act
6. Exoduster