

Westward Expansion Study Guide

These are key terms & major topics you should be able to define, cite examples, & apply information about for the exam (although there could be additional information from the notes, the textbook, or other assignments on the exam):

- Manifest Destiny
 - Louisiana Purchase
 - Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo (1848) & the Mexican Cession
 - Gadsden Purchase
 - Westward Expansion Map
- The Plains War
 - Transcontinental railroad
 - Sand Creek Massacre
 - Treaty of Medicine Lodge (1867) & the Fort Laramie Treaty (1868)
 - Battle of Little Bighorn
 - Chief Joseph
 - Massacre at Wounded Knee
 - Dawes General Allotment Act of 1887
- The Mining Frontier
 - California Gold Rush
 - Mining towns
- The Cattle Boom
 - Railheads
 - Long drives
- Western Farming
 - Differences in agriculture throughout the U.S.
 - Homestead Act of 1862
 - Sod houses
 - Morrill Act
 - Turner's Frontier Thesis