Reading Guide Chapter 17: The West

1. Mapmakers often revered to the Great Plains as what? (490)
2. Describe the plains tribes. (491)
3. The life of the Plains Indians revolved around what?(491-92)
4. What was the initial government policy toward the Plains tribes? (492-93)
5. What was perhaps the greatest Native American victory over the United States Army? (495-96)
6. What was the Ghost Dance Movement? (498)
7. What was the aim of the “assimilationists”? (498)
8. List the provisions of the Dawes Act. (499)
9. Who was the West’s largest landowner? (502)
10. What was the first major industry to attract large numbers of people to the West? (505)
11. List the areas with a large percentage of Mexican-Americans in 1880. (504)
12. What was the purpose of the Chinese Exclusion Act and what did it say?(507)
13. Where did the western cattle industry begin? (508)
14. What industry was important in stimulating the western cattle industry? (508)
15. What are some of the successful methods used by farmers on the Great Plains? (512)
16. List some of the issues that concerned farmers. (513)
17. What was established to help provide farmers with social and cultural activities? (513)
18. How did Horace Greely encourage people to move to the west? (515)
19. Summarize Frederick Jackson Turner’s theory about the frontier. (515)
20. The “final fling” of settlement on the frontier occurred in what territory? (514)