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America the Story of US Episode 6: Heartland Video Notes Worksheet

1. In 1865 how many buffalo roam the Plains in North America? _____
2. How long does it take to travel across the US?
 - a. By Wagon? _____
 - b. By Boat? _____
3. Who is the mad man willing to cross The Sierra Nevada Mountains? _____

4. How much would the railroad cost today? _____
5. How does the government pay for it? _____

6. How long does the railroad company have to complete building the railroad? _____

7. Why does the railroad use Chinese workers in the west? Give two reasons _____

8. What is used to break through granite? _____

9. What are some of the drawbacks of breaking granite this way? _____

10. How long is the trip across the US using the railroad? _____
11. How does this change America? _____

12. How much of the US was given away by the Homestead Act? _____

13. What is the greatest difficulty that pioneers on the plains had to face every year?

14. What was the greatest difficulty in 1874? _____

15. Why do so many Scandinavians move to the northern Midwest? _____

16. Describe the importance of the Buffalo to the plains Indians. List three facts. _____

17. How many Buffalo roam the plains in 1889? _____

18. How much was cattle worth in the West? _____

19. How much was cattle worth in the East? _____

20. How much can a cowboy make in a day? _____

21. What skills must a cowboy have? _____

22. What is a cowboy's gun of choice? _____

23. How much did it cost in 1873? _____

24. Who invented barbed wire? _____

25. Why was barbed wire so important? (2 reasons) _____

26. How does the Railroad Change Time itself? _____

27. How does Sears' take advantage of the railroad to sell products? _____
