6.3 The American West, c1835-c1895: Conflict and Tension, c1835-1854: 10-minute Pack

EDEXCEL 1HI0 · about 10 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions. You are advised to spend about 10 minutes on this pack.

1 Name one Plains Indian nation that signed the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1851.

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

2 Explain one reason why the US government wanted an agreement such as the Fort Laramie Treaty (1851) with the Plains nations.

(Total for Question 2 is 2 marks)

3 Give the term used for a large-scale outbreak of disease, which spread rapidly along the trails in the early 1850s and caused many deaths among Plains Indian nations.

(Total for Question 3 is 1 mark)

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4 State one reason why the Permanent Indian Frontier policy came under growing pressure during the 1840s.

(Total for Question 4 is 2 marks)

5 Name three ways in which increased wagon-train traffic on the trails affected the Plains Indians in the 1840s and 1850s.

(Total for Question 5 is 3 marks)

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Question 1

e.g. the Lakota (Sioux), the Cheyenne or the Arapaho (any one) **B1**

Answer: E.g. the Lakota (Sioux)

Question 2

identifies a reason, e.g. it wanted to reduce the risk of conflict along the increasingly busy overland trails **B1**

development, e.g. this would protect migrant traffic and allow the government to build forts and roads along the trails **B1**

Answer: It wanted to reduce conflict along the busy trails and to secure safe passage and the right to build forts and roads.

Question 3

cholera **B1**

Answer: Cholera

Question 4

identifies a reason, e.g. increasing numbers of migrants began crossing the Plains on trails such as the Oregon Trail **B1**

supporting detail, e.g. this brought settlers directly through land that had been designated for Plains nations, straining the idea of a fixed, permanent frontier **B1**

Answer: Growing numbers of migrants crossing the Plains on trails such as the Oregon Trail travelled directly through designated Indian Territory.

Question 5

disturbance of buffalo migration routes **B1**

damage to grazing land used to feed horses **B1**

the spread of diseases, such as cholera, to which Plains Indians had little immunity **B1**

Answer: E.g. disturbance to buffalo migration, damage to grazing land, and the spread of diseases such as cholera.

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