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Directions: Complete the following questions on a separate sheet of paper using complete sentences.

1. List the several obstacles or hardships that settlers of the Great Plains faced:
2. Miners were the first group West during expansion. List the various techniques utilized by these miners, what they were extracting, and where they found significant strikes.
3. Describe how barbed wire affected the development of the open range.
4. Homestead Act-
5. Plains Indians believed in a religion much different than that of settlers. Describe Native American religious beliefs, and the religious ceremony they believed would restore their way of life.
6. What was the significance of the Sand Creek Massacre?
7. What were some of the farming techniques and tools utilized by farmers on the great plains?
8. Nomadic-
9. What was the significance of the Dawes Act?
10. What was the Indian Peace Commission, and what did it establish?
11. Why did the U.S. Government, by way of the railway companies, begin depleting the buffaloherds?

Vocabulary:

-Black Kettle -John Chivington -Little Crow

-William Fetterman -Sitting Bull -Crazy Horse

-George A. Custer -Chief Joseph -Range Wars

-Virginia City

Essay Questions:

1. Describe the cycle of boomtowns to ghost towns in the West.
2. How did railroads help to settle the Great Plains?
3. How did the Civil War and the construction of railroads aid in the development of cattle ranching on the Great Plains?