

Unit 5 Test Chapters 16-19

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1. Many early explorers called the region of the American West between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains the

- A. Great Homestead
- B. Wild West
- C. Mississippi Plains
- D. American Breadbasket
- E. Great American Desert

2. The Plains tribes exhibited all of the following characteristics except

- A. they were dependent on the buffalo for survival
- B. their tribes were made up of several smaller bands, each of which had its own government council
- C. they were finally able to band together to fight the white man
- D. they were the fiercest opposition the United States had yet to face from Native Americans
- E. their religion was centered on a belief in the spirituality of the natural world

3. The weaknesses of the Plains Indians in their struggles with the white settlers included all of the following factors except

- A. they were not aggressive or warlike
- B. they were vulnerable to eastern diseases
- C. they usually would not work together to defeat the whites
- D. they had neither the economy nor the technology to stand up to a long war
- E. intertribal conflicts diverted their attention from white encroachment

4. Chinese who lived in the western United States worked in all of the following occupations except

- A. owners of small businesses
- B. members of criminal gangs
- C. laborers on the transcontinental railroads
- D. developers of gold mining corporations
- E. miners in the gold industry