

Reading Questions

Transportation and Mining

ESSENTIAL OUTCOME: I CAN...use the textbook to quickly find and accurately examine information.

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1. Moving supplies and the _____ was a problem for all the _____ in the _____ of the country.
2. The Russell, Majors, and Waddel's heavy wagons were pulled by _____ of _____ and carried _____ and manufactured goods to the _____ and _____.
3. Some settlers didn't walk or use animals to pull wagons, they took the _____.
4. The _____ was an important stagecoach line during the 1860s. It later sold out to _____.
5. At times, _____ and _____ Indians attacked the stagecoach line.
6. Explain what the U.S. Army troops did to establish order along the trail.
7. Before the Pony Express the mail took _____ to get to Utah.
8. What were the requirements for a Pony Express rider?
9. The most dangerous part of the Pony Express ride was across _____, where some _____ thought riders and stations were threats to their _____ and would lead to more _____.
10. When did the first Pony Express rider come to SLC?
11. What finally ended the Pony Express?

12. When did the telegraph reach Salt Lake City?
13. Who sent the first telegraph from Utah? What did it say?
14. Utah leaders planned right away to install telegraph lines that would tie _____ to other _____.
15. A line ran from _____ to _____ and on through _____ to _____.

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16. Utah was rich in mineral _____, but most of the deposits lay _____ in the _____ for a long time while settlers concentrated on _____.
17. List at least 3 things that early settlers mined.
18. Who were the first people to discover ore in the Oquirrh Mountains?
19. Why did Brigham Young discourage people from prospecting?
20. Who were the first people to actually start mining the ore in the Oquirrh Mountains?
21. What were the 2 main products that were mined? What came later?
22. In 1864, _____ built Utah's first smelter at _____ to separate the _____ from the _____.
23. What did the Indians tell the soldiers about?
24. Mercur mines really boomed _____ when in 1893 a new _____ process was developed. Millions of dollars worth of _____, _____, and _____ came from the mines.
25. Ore from the Alta mines was carried in _____ around the tip of _____ and then to _____, far across the Atlantic.

26. The richest mine in Parley's Canyon was the _____ founded in _____. The nearby town was called _____.
27. Workers came from many countries. The majority were _____, but _____, _____, Welshmen, _____ and _____ also came to get jobs in the mines.
28. What are some dangers that a miner might encounter during his life in the mine?
29. Miners were paid _____ to _____ a day for _____ or _____ hours of work, _____ days a week.
30. Mining towns such as _____, _____, and _____ were built in the canyons next to the mines so the streets were _____ and _____. Two towns became ski resorts, the others became _____.

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31. As the Civil War ended, Congress looked for ways to bring the nation together. One of the ways was to build a _____.
32. How did the people of Utah feel about this? Why?
33. The _____ started clearing land west from Omaha. Another company, the _____ started working eastward from California.
34. Most of the railroad workers were _____. They came from _____ and _____. The _____ workers came to the United States with plans to earn money and then _____.
35. Where did Brigham Young want the railroad to go? Did it? Why or why not?
36. How did the people of Utah earn money from the railroad?
37. Where did the two railroads finally meet?
38. On a cold and windy _____, a group of dignitaries and workers gather around a _____ stretch of _____ land where _____ from two railroad lines met.

39. Describe what happened when they tried to pound in the gold spike.
40. How did the people of Utah celebrate the joining of the railroads?
41. How did people in the rest of the country celebrate?
42. In the famous photograph of the joining of the rails, who was not allowed to be in the picture?
43. How did the coming of the railroad change mining in Utah?
44. How did the railroad change agriculture in Utah?
45. How did the railroad change business in Utah?
46. How did the railroad change how people traveled in Utah?
47. Describe the changes that happened in the towns of Corrine and Odgen because of the railroad.