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History B (Schools History Project) Unit 2: Schools History Project Depth Study Option 2B: The American West, c1840–c1895	
Monday 18 January 2010 – Afternoon Time: 1 hour 15 minutes	Paper Reference 5HB02/2B
You do not need any other materials.	Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer Questions 1 and 2, **EITHER** Question 3 **OR** 4 and then **EITHER** Question 5(a) and 5(b) **OR** 6(a) and 6(b).
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk** (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
– *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression, on these questions.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer Question 1 AND Question 2.

Question 1

Study Source A.

Source A: A photograph of the Mormon temple in Salt Lake City taken in 1895.



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(Total for Question 2 = 9 marks)



Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4.

EITHER

- 3** Why did so many people make the difficult journey west across America in the 1840s and 1850s?

(12)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- 1845: 'The Emigrants' Guide to Oregon and California' was published
- 1848: Gold was discovered in California
- 1854: The Perpetual Emigration Fund was set up by the Mormons

(Total for Question 3 = 12 marks)

OR

- 4** Why was it so difficult for the Homesteaders to settle on the Plains in the 1860s?

(12)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- Many homesteaders lived in sod houses
- In Kansas no rain fell between January 1859 and November 1860
- The first railroad to cross the Plains did not open until 1869

(Total for Question 4 = 12 marks)



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Answer EITHER Question 5 OR Question 6.

You must answer both parts of the question you choose.

EITHER

- 5** (a) Describe the part played by the cattle ranchers in the Johnson County War in 1892. (9)
- *(b) 'The coming of the railroads was the main reason for the growth of the cattle industry on the Plains in the years 1865–85.' Do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- In 1866 John Illiff established a cattle ranch on the Plains
- 1875–85: More than 250,000 cattle were transported by railroad from Dodge City
- 1878: Gustavus Swift developed refrigerated railroad wagons

(Total for Question 5 = 25 marks)

OR

- 6** (a) Describe the importance of the buffalo to the lives of the Plains Indians. (9)
- *(b) 'The Battle of the Little Big Horn in 1876 was a victory for the Plains Indians.' Do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- General Custer and more than 250 of his army officers were killed
- Custer was seen as a hero by the American public
- 1877: Crazy Horse was captured and later killed by the US army

(Total for Question 6 = 25 marks)



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