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Edexcel GCSE	
History B (Schools History Project)	
Unit 2: Schools History Project Depth Study	
Option 2B: The American West, c1840–c1895	
Monday 21 June 2010 – Afternoon Time: 1 hour 15 minutes	Paper Reference 5HB02/2B
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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 wagon train travelling West in the 1840s.



1 What can you learn from Source A about the problems people faced when travelling West in the 1840s?

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(Total for Question 1 = 4 marks)



2 The boxes below show two individuals.

Choose **one** and explain his importance to the Mormons.

(9)

Joseph Smith in Kirtland, Missouri and Nauvoo in 1823–44

Brigham Young and the resettlement of the Mormons to the Great Salt Lake, 1845–47

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(Total for Question 2 = 9 marks)



Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4.

EITHER

3 Why did white settlers often find it difficult to understand the culture of the Plains Indians?

(12)

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

- Older Plains Indians were sometimes left behind when their tribes moved on
- The Plains Indians used the Sun Dance for help from the spirit world
- White settlers believed land could be bought and sold

(Total for Question 3 = 12 marks)

OR

4 Why did the lives of cowboys change in the period 1865–80?

(12)

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

- 1866: about 260,000 cattle were driven from Texas to the rail-head at Sedalia
- In 1870 Charles Goodnight set up a ranch on the Great Plains
- In 1880 36,600 tonnes of barbed wire were made and sold

(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 contribution made by women to the white settlement of the Plains. (9)

*(b) 'Technology was the most important factor in solving the problems faced by homesteaders in the 1870s and 1880s.' Do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

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

- 1869: The first railroad crossed the Great Plains
- 1873: The US government passed the Timber and Culture Act
- 1880s: Homesteaders started growing 'Turkey Red' wheat

(Total for Question 5 = 25 marks)

OR

6 (a) Describe the problems of law and order in the mining towns in the far West in the 1850s and 1860s. (9)

*(b) 'The discovery of gold was the main reason for the Sioux Wars in the 1860s and 1870s.' Do you agree? Explain your answer. (16)

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

- 1860s: Miners used the Bozeman Trail to reach Montana
- 1868: The Fort Laramie Treaty set up the Great Sioux Reservation
- 1875: There were over 1,000 miners in the Black Hills

(Total for Question 6 = 25 marks)



(b)

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(b) continued

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TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS



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