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Go West! Land Debate

CONFLICT:   
Land Usage in the Great Plains   
  
GOAL:  
​To come up with a plan for the land that provides **"Equitable Usage"** for Miners, Cowboys, Homesteaders, Railroads and Native Americans.

Step 1: Meet with your Delegation of like-minded opinions to plan the way you want the land use (or NOT used). (10 minutes)  
  
Step 2: Meet with your drafting committee (consisting of the 5 opposing opinions) to draft a plan for land usage in the Great Plains. Each group has 2 slides to explain their plan (25 minutes):

* 1st slide - Map to SHOW your plan *(insert shapes/text boxes)*
* 2nd slide - For text to EXPLAIN your plan

Step 3: Each group will present their plan for land usage to the class. (2 minutes per group)   
  
Step 4: Vote for the plan that offers the BEST "equitable usage" of the land.   
  
Step 5: Nearpod Reflection..*.Is land usage in the Great Plains still a problem today?*

Your Drafting Committee # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| Miner | Cowboy | Homesteader | Railroad Co. | Native American |
| Wanted to mine for Gold and Silver in the Colorado Rocky Mountains.  Wanted to mine for Gold in the Black Hills Mountains in South Dakota (the sacred land of the Lakota Sioux).  Wanted more railroads to transport supplies/people to the Great Plains.  Wanted full access to the Native American lands to mine for gold, silver, and other valuable metals such as lead and copper. | Wanted to Roam Free on the Open Range!  No Barbed Wire!!!!  Wanted to limit the homesteaders land.  Wanted to herd the longhorns safely from Texas to cattle towns in Kansas (see cattle trails map below). | Wanted to farm Turkey Red Wheat.  Wanted more railroad stations close to their homesteads so they could get more supplies shipped to them from back east. (ex. Wood to reinforce their homes and to build towns)  Wanted to fence off their land with Barbed Wire.  Wanted the Cowboys and Longhorns off their lands! Protect the crops!  Wanted the buffalo herds off their lands.  To tap into the aquifer to water their crops! | 1. Wanted to build additional transcontinental railroads and connecting railroads. 2. Wanted more land from the government to build the railroad. 3. Build in Curves!!! The more miles of railroad built, the more land they got! 4. Curves = more mileage. 6. NO BUFFALO! Wanted to get rid of the herds of buffalo so the new railroad tracks would not be damaged. Also, wanted to use the buffalo meat to feed the railroad workers. 7. Wanted to build telegraph lines alongside all the new railroad tracks. 8. Wanted to build more railroad stations to ship supplies to the Great Plains from back East. | 1. Wanted to occupy their traditional lands in the Great Plains, keeping the land open and free so they could roam nomadically following the buffalo. 2. Hunt buffalo freely on their traditional hunting grounds. 3. No one to own land in the Great Plains. The land was to be shared. 4. Respect for the land - Leave the natural resources alone!   No mining!   1. Keep the Wasichu out of the Black Hills, the sacred hunting grounds of the Lakota Sioux. 2. Leave the Aquifer alone! 3. No more broken treaties!!! |

Your Delegation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Plan for at least 4 demands.

Remember, you are going to have to **negotiate & compromise**…again!

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