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Expansion and Reform Economics

There were two major advancements in technology that affected the overall life of the American pioneer. The first was the development of weapons. Manufacturers began to use [division of labor](#), [redacted]. This enabled items to be built faster and therefore more was available to the consumer. Other advancements include the [redacted], a tool for cutting metal into specific shaped pieces. Eventually these processes of division of labor, using more efficient machines and cheap labor helped to increase gun manufacturing.

How would having more guns be beneficial to pioneers trying to explore western territories? [redacted]

Major innovations were made in the field of [redacted]. The chart below shows the major technological advances and their effect on settling the West.

Innovations	How you think it would help	How it helped
Turnpikes-roads connected states to territories with tolls on them to pay for expanding the roads.		.
Canals - waterways that allowed ships to travel in land . Connected bodies of water to each other.		.
Steamboats- faster boats that ran on steam power instead of rowing		.
Railroads- steam-powered vehicles that could carry heavy loads and travel faster than horses.		.

Question: How are these technological innovations similar to current innovations in transportation today? [redacted]

Question: How did they help people back then similar to how they help us today? [redacted]

There were two major benefits to these transportation innovations.

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]

Wealth of Resources

This new western territory had a vast amount of unclaimed natural resources. Besides immense forests and large supplies of water, pioneers were able to find huge amounts of minerals, including [redacted]. Industries used these minerals to manufacture a variety of goods. Since more of these resources were available companies were able to make their products cheaper and more available to the average consumer.

This use of natural resources was very beneficial to American industries but it had very bad effects on the environment. All of these resources that were being gathered took a [redacted] time to replenish. Some could not even be replenished. As more and more pioneers moved into the west, and with them industries, they began to destroy some of the major natural resources.

Supreme Court Promotes Economic Growth

During the early 1800's the Supreme Court ruled on two major cases that helped the national government to have a big influence on economics. The first was in 1819, with the case of [redacted] v. [redacted]. [In this case](#) the Supreme Court upheld the right of Congress to create a Bank of the United States. This right was not written out in the Constitution but it was suggested. By the Supreme Court ruling in favor of Congress, this opened up the idea of a loose interpretation of the Constitution. The [second important case](#) was [redacted] v. [redacted] which defined Congress's right to regulate commerce. The ruling of this trial stated that only Congress had the power to control trade throughout the United States. With these two court cases, Congress was given a huge amount of control over the economy of the United States.

HW Rubric

Completed Each Task:

4 Student completed all tasks assigned effectively ▾

Effort Displayed

4 Student response to tasks demonstrated an effort beyond expectations ▾

Use of Lesson Concepts

4 Student integrated and expanded upon the ideas of the lesson into their responses ▾