



Unit 10: Cotton, Cattle, & Railroads

Lesson 1: The Big Picture

Market day in Killeen, TX. 1890s
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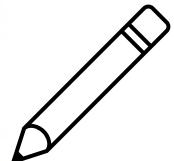
photo of many wagons -- Market Day, 1890s... looking west along railroad tracks... stockyards at center, background... part of building at right storefront Wendland's Produce... in left rear, cotton gin

Warm-up

Follow the directions to complete your warm-up



- Consider the events of our last unit.



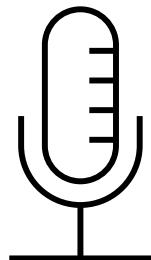
- Circle or highlight UP TO 6 statements that you think are probably true as we begin this new unit.



- Discuss with a partner



Share with the class



One thing that I think was
probably true for Texas and
the U.S. as we begin this
unit is that _____

Essential Question

What were the major events and defining characteristics of the Cotton, Cattle, and Railroads era of Texas history?

In today's lesson...

1. **We will** examine the major events and defining characteristics of the era of Cotton, Cattle, and Railroads.
2. **I will** analyze a primary source image, read a passage presenting the main ideas of the unit, and explain the causes and effects of four key events that occurred during this era.



Part I: Analyze an Image



"The Texas Cattle Trade" Harper's Weekly, May 2, 1874.

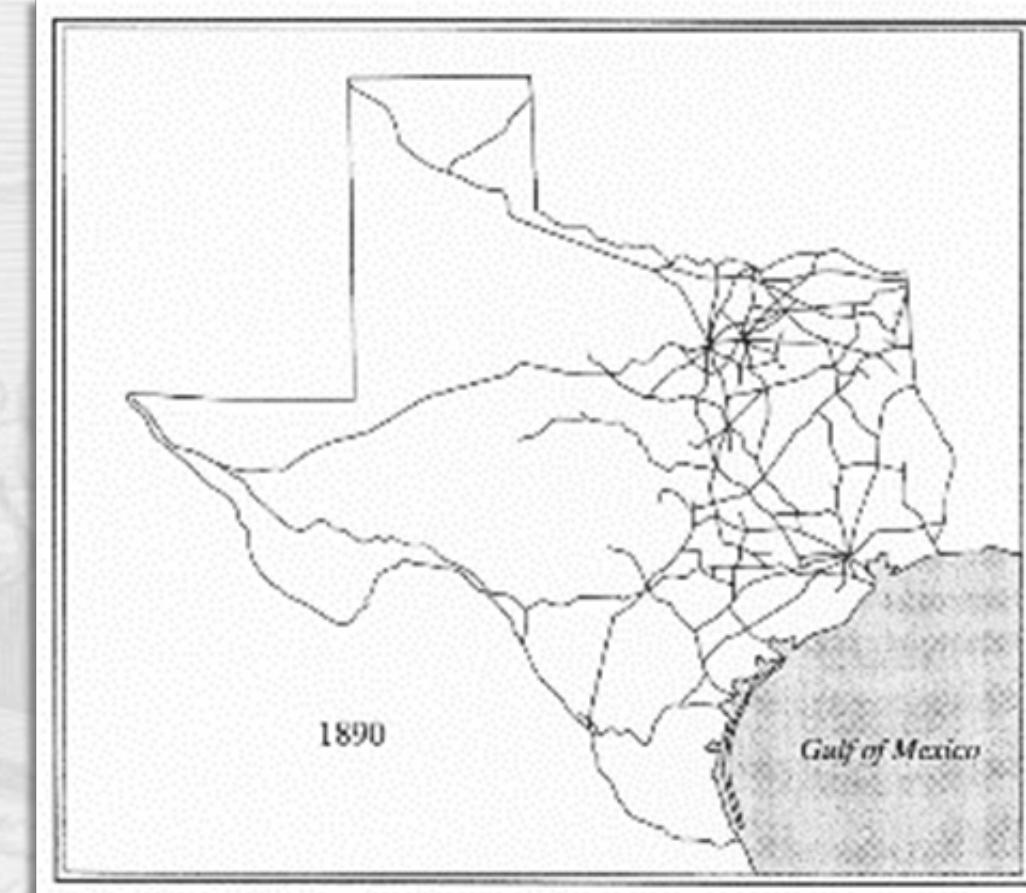
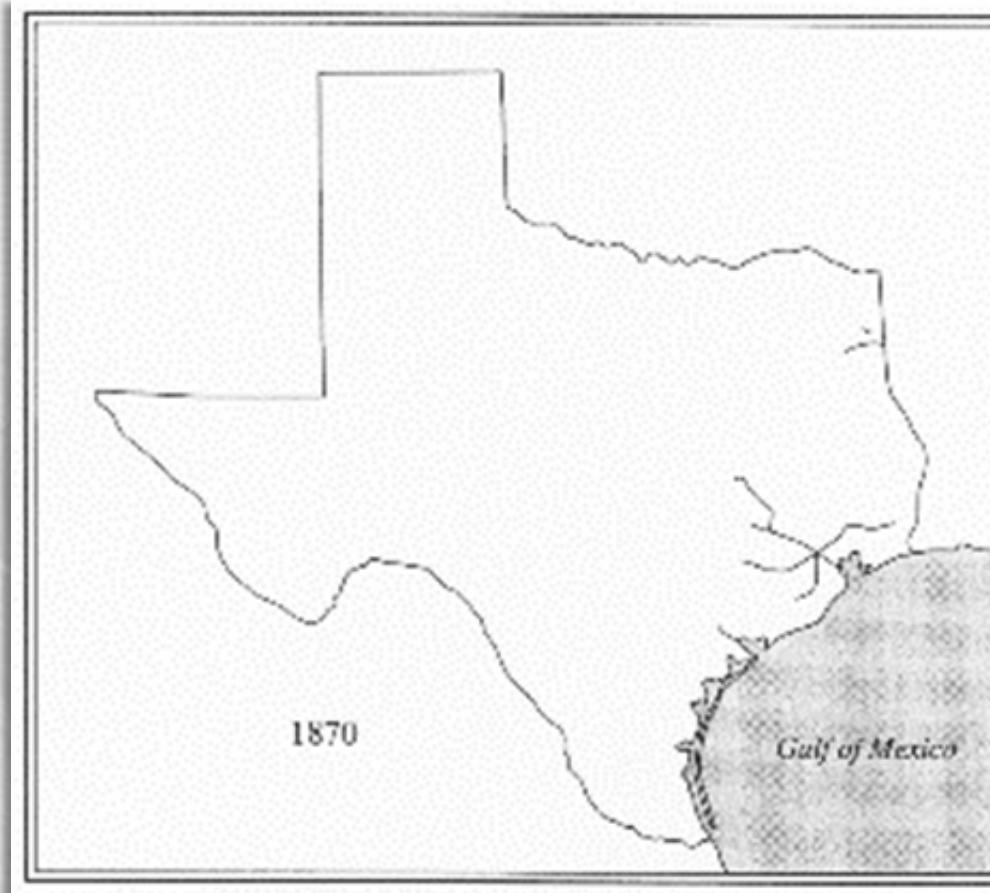
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Part II: Essential Ideas Reading Passage



Paragraph I: The Population of Texas Grew



The expansion of railroads in Texas from 1870 to 1890



Paragraph 2: The Texas Plains



An enormous pile of
buffalo skulls due to
the overhunting of
buffalo on the Plains,
1892.

*Burton Historical
Collection, Detroit Public
Library*



Paragraph 3: The Cattle Industry



A large herd of cattle on a west Texas ranch fenced in with barbed wire, 1918.
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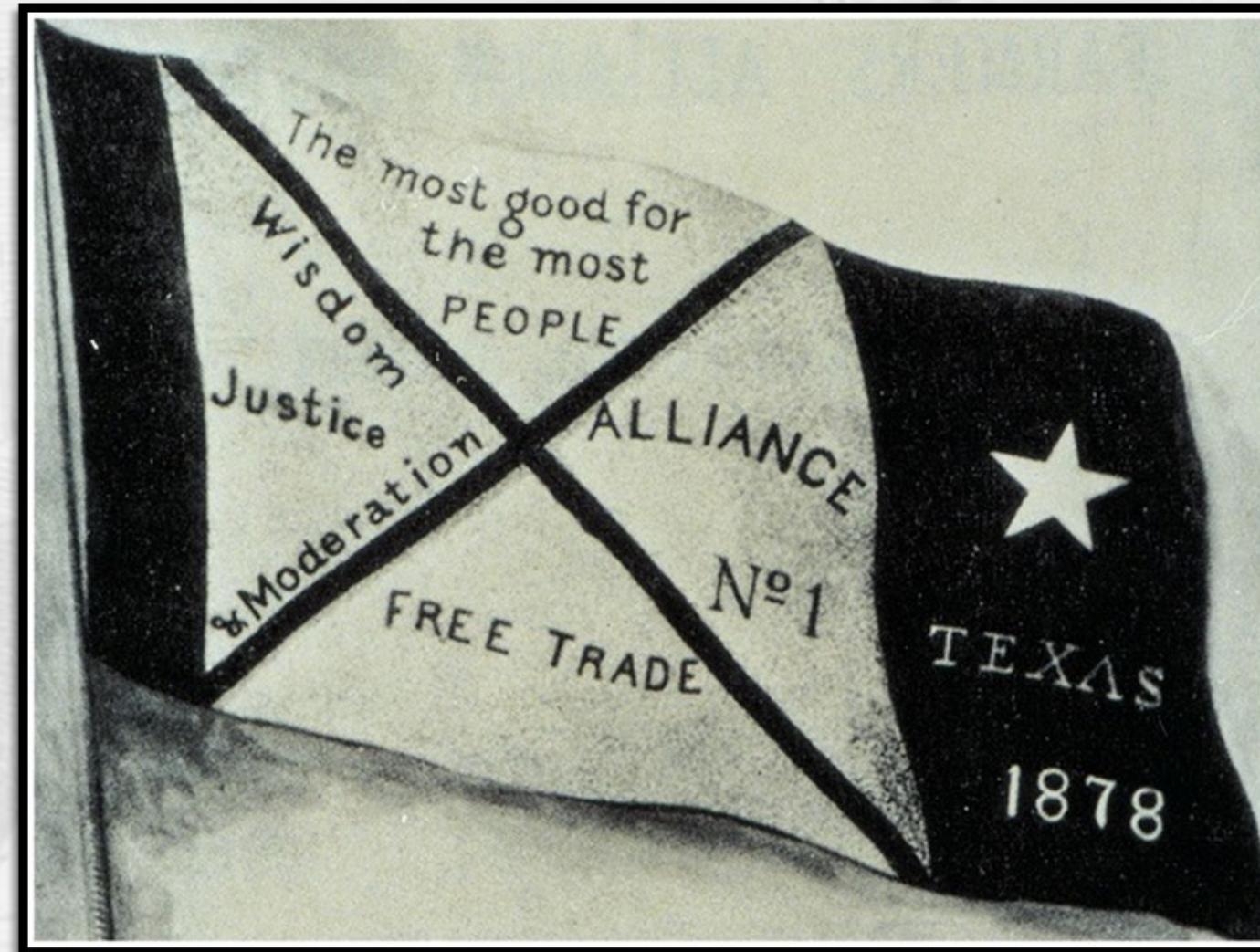
Paragraph 4: Cotton Farming in Texas



Cotton farmers near Galveston, 1907.
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Paragraph 5: Farmers Organize



Farmer's Alliance Banner

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Part III: Cause and Effect



Exit Ticket

Follow the directions to complete your exit ticket



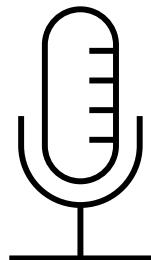
- Answer the question by choosing THREE answer options that best demonstrate key defining characteristics of this era.



- Discuss with a partner



Share with the class 2



One of the defining
characteristics of the age of
Cotton, Cattle, and
Railroads is _____