**The Transcontinental Railroad:**

**Guided Notes**

**The Railroad Boom:**

* In \_\_\_\_\_\_, America had \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ miles of railroad, primarily in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ states
* No railroads went \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* America experienced a tremendous railroad boom after the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ miles of track was built between \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**The Transcontinental Railroad:**

* The 1st Transcontinental Railroad was started in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Government granted over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ acres of land for the project and offered low interest rate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* It ran from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, California to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Nebraska
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ RR began laying track \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_out of Omaha
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ RR began laying track \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_out a Sacramento

**The Golden Spike:**

* On \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, at Promontory Point, Utah, the “Golden Spike’ was driven into the ground \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_both the Union Pacific and Central Pacific Railroads
* 1st railroad line connecting the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Travel time about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from NY to California
* Considered one of the greatest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in American History

**The Railroad’s Impact:**

* Transportation of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was quicker and cheaper
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – it cost $3.45 to ship a barrel of flour from NY to Chicago
  + 1890 it costs \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – Irish/Chinese
* Westward Expansion – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Established \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**The Pacific Railway Act of 1862:**

* Began the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the late 19th century
* Gave the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ permission to build the railway
* Began \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ construction from Omaha, NE in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Difficulties included \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, desert heat, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, general labor, money, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, & equipment troubles
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_came from a variety of sources, and at the height of construction, numbered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_