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Westward Wonders Answer Key

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| 1. B - California Gold Rush | 7. B - It offered free or cheap land to farm |
| 2. A - To help settlers travel to new western lands | 8. A - Sooners |
| 3. D - Native American tribes | 9. C - They rapidly grew because people chased mining opportunities |
| 4. C - Sacagawea | 10. D - Annie Oakley |
| 5. B - Transcontinental Railroad | |
| 6. C - Cattle ranching | |

Teacher's Guide

- Encourage students to justify their answers by connecting to prior lessons or notes.
- Review vocabulary terms like "Homestead," "boomtown," and "cattle ranching" before the quiz for support.
- Differentiation:
 - Provide visual aids such as vocabulary cards or a westward expansion map for emerging learners.
 - Challenge advanced students to write one of their own multiple-choice questions after completing the quiz.
- Engagement:
 - Use whiteboards for whole-class review before grading.
 - Incorporate a quick frontier-themed "fact or fiction" warm-up before starting the quiz.
- Extension Ideas:
 - Students create a mini-poster about one frontier topic from the quiz (e.g., Sacagawea, Oregon Trail, Gold Rush).
 - Connect answers to geography by tracing major migration routes or railroad lines on a U.S. map.