

**Co-op 12**  
**Weeks 26-27**  
**March 3, 2022**

**Accountability Questions:**

1. List the issues concerning Reconstruction that Grant faced as he took office, and note briefly how he handled them.
2. What problems did Grant encounter with his own party during his first term?
3. What central issues darkened his second administration?
4. Generally speaking, what kinds of mistakes on the part of white leaders and federal administrators of Indian affairs worked against the success of government policies towards Native Americans?
5. What were the views of Native Americans towards these government policies?
6. What kinds of conditions did Indians suffer on the reservations of the West?

**Thinking Questions:**

1. How did white Americans view Native Americans in the second half of the nineteenth century? How did this view set the overall direction for government policies towards Indians?
2. What was the goal of the Dawes Act of 1887? What happened to the Native Americans after it was passed?
3. What similarities do you see between the ways white leaders treated Native Americans and the ways they treated blacks?

FOR QUESTION 4-6 NO WRITTEN ANSWER IS REQUIRED, BUT PLEASE CONSIDER THESE THINGS - MAYBE THIS WOULD BE A GOOD DISCUSSION WITH YOUR PARENTS!

4. Do you know anyone whose nationality, or race, is very different from yours? Does the difference ever make you uncomfortable? Why, or why not?
5. How do you think a nation that strongly believed in the Judeo-Christian heritage and the truths of civil freedom got to a place where they could treat Native Americans as they did?
6. What do you think a good solution to the differences in lifestyles between Native Americans and white settlers might have been? Put another way, if you'd been president in 1867, how would you have directed American troops and settlers to behave?

**BONUS QUESTIONS:**

7. What sources of lasting enmity did Bismarck create between Prussia and France?
8. Why did many of those who marveled at the telegraph network in the 1870's prophesy that it would bring peace on the earth? Why would you think that they might have been mistaken?

**Readings****WEEK 26:**

- The Civil War: 1850-1895, edited by Auriana Ojeda (973) p. 175-227
- The Gilded Age: A History in Documents, by Janette Greenwood (973) p. 6-11 and chapter 7

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**WEEK 27:**

- The Age of Nationalism and Reform, 1850-1890, by Norman Rich (940) p. 99 (starting at the second full paragraph)-100, 119-144
- The Victorian Internet, by Tom Standage (384) chapter 6

Frederick the Great and Bismarck  
Russian art - Ilya Repin and the German - Adolph von Menzel