CHAPTER 3 ACTIVITY PACKET

American History

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Unit 1
WORKSHEET 3

Big Business Terms

Directions: When you're reading and learning about the age of big business and the railroads, you'll often encounter some economic terms that are especially relevant to those times. Read each description of your economic situation below. Then write the economic term on the blank after the description that matches the situation.

rebate	**drawback**	**tariff**	**bribery**
trust	**monopoly**	**merger**	

1. You are a manufacturer of coffee grinders. You buy all your competitors' businesses. You are now the only manufacturer of coffee grinders in the country.

   Term: _____

2. You need a lawsuit to be decided in your favor, so you pay the judge to make the "right" decision.

   Term: _____

3. You pay the full price of $1,000 to ship your oil from Ohio to New York. The railroad secretly gives you back half of what you paid.

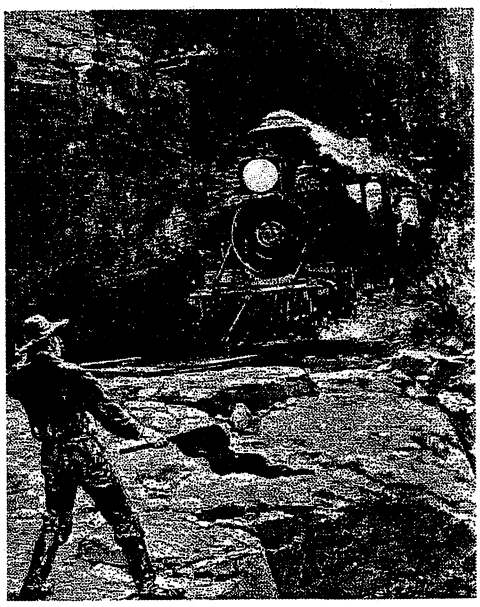
   Term: _____

4. The railroad also pays you a fee each time it ships your competitor's oil.

   Term: _____

5. You want to expand your popcorn business. You combine with another, rival popcorn company to form a new, much bigger company.

   Term: _____



Train in the western mountains in 1890

6. Your bicycle company joins in an arrangement with other bicycle companies to control the national market for bikes.

   Term: _____

7. You import harnesses from England to the United States. You pay a tax on these imported goods to the U.S. government.

   Term: _____

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Western Territories Become States: A Map Study

1. Label the Mississippi River.
2. Label the states west of the Mississippi River.
3. In order of admittance, list the first six states created west of the Mississippi.

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4. Which state did not fit the pattern of western migration? _____
5. Which states were added to the Union between 1858 and 1867? _____

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6. Which state was added during the U.S. Centennial? _____
7. What states were added in 1889 and 1890? _____

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8. From the map, what three states were added in the 20th century? _____

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9. In your answers, can you detect any patterns about western settlement? Explain. _____

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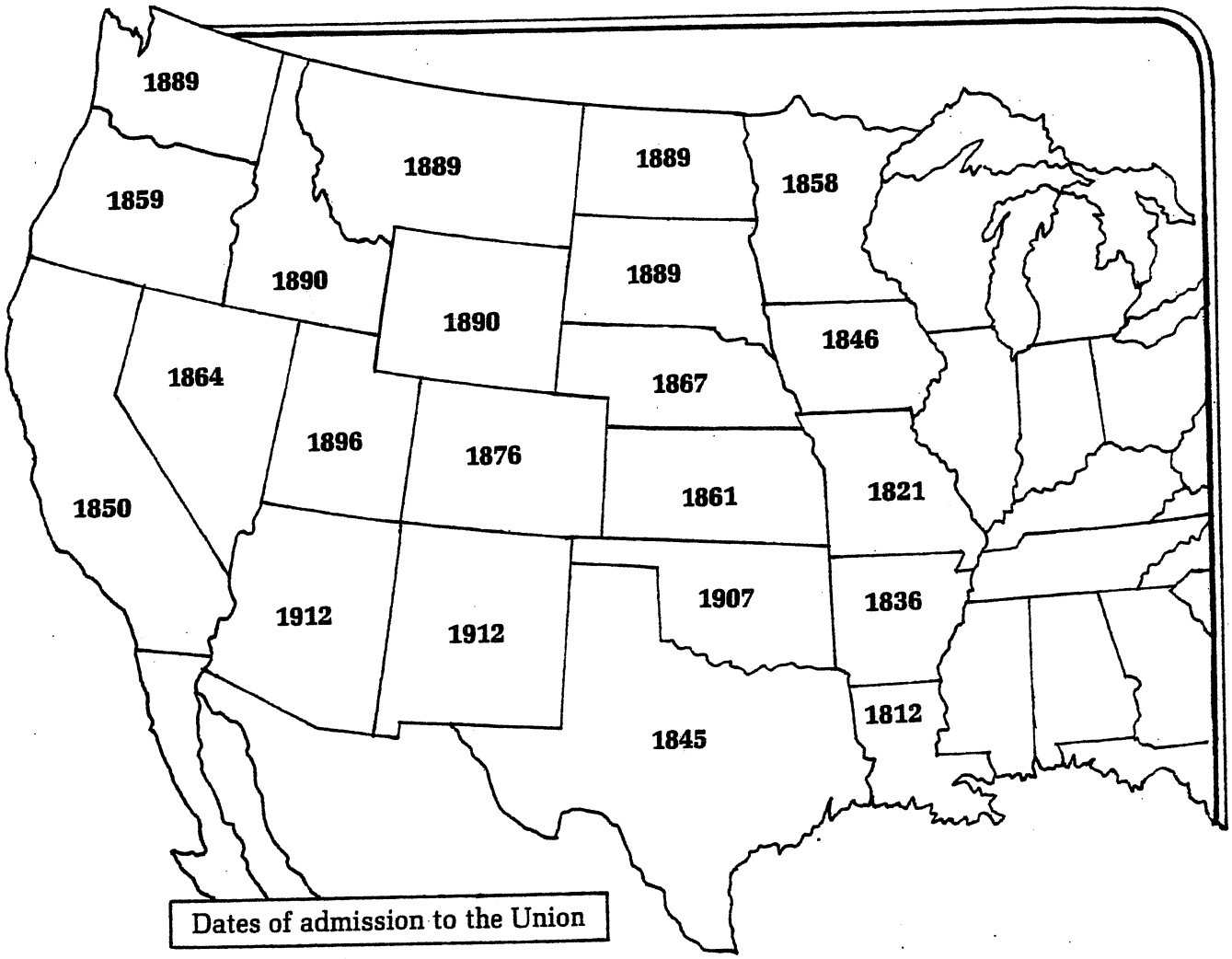

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