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Map Analysis

1860s: Mining the West

1. Which mineral was mined more widely in the West: silver or gold?

2. What western state/territory contained the largest concentration of gold and silver mines?

3. What four mining towns are so clearly focused on mining that they even exhibit that focus in their names?

1.

3.

2.

4.

4. Think back to our previous studies of the West. Why was Utah widely settled *before* the mining boom?

5. There is one remaining political boundary to be drawn on this map to bring up to what we recognize today. What is that boundary?

6. Look at Wyoming. It was the last state on the map to achieve its statehood. Why do you suppose that is?