



Exercise: 1

Instructions: Use the Atlas, the Internet and your library to gather information and pictures for these reports. Select one of the following:

1. Cattle- Write a report about cattle. Why do people raise cattle? What are cattle used for? What is the difference between beef cattle and dairy cattle?

2. Sheep- Write a report about sheep. Why do people raise sheep? What are sheep used for?

3. Cowboy life- Write a report about cowboy life. There are still cowboys working today.

4. Cattle Brands-Some cattle brands are quite interesting to look at and think about.
 - (a) Write a report on cattle brands.
 - (b) Design your own brand. Pretend you are a rancher and you want a brand for your cattle. Keep in mind that a brand must be drawn so it can't be changed into a different brand. You can test your brand by letting someone else try to change it. If you don't have any cattle (and most of us don't), what else could your brand be used for?

5. Ranching- Write a report on ranching. Ranching in the old West was a lot different from farming.

6. Governor of Idaho- Pretend you are the Governor of Idaho, and there is a drought this summer in southern Idaho. There is only half as much water as people need. You must go on television to tell the people what things they must do to get along with less water. You may have to forbid certain things that take too much water, or make schedules for using water. Prepare a speech that will help the people get through this dry summer.

7. American Falls Dam-You are living in American Falls in 1923. News has just arrived that some people want to build a dam at American Falls, and the water would cover up the town. Idaho's Senator William E. Borah has been trying to get Congress to put up some of the money to build the dam. Decide whether or not you think the dam should be built. Then write a letter to Senator Borah in Washington, D.C., and tell him what you think about building the dam.