

## Yukon Gold Rush: Historical Context Questions

Answer the following questions in COMPLETE sentences with SPECIFIC detail from the reading

- 1) How did the completion of the Great Northern in 1893 assist Seattle's Growth?
- 2) How did the economic depression of 1893 impact Seattle?
- 3) How had Seattle's economy diversified in the 1870's and 1880's?
- 4) What happened in July of 1897? How did the news impact Seattle?
- 5) What role did the Seattle Chamber of Commerce have in attracting prospective miners and businesses to Seattle?
- 6) About how many miners came to Seattle in the late 1890's?
- 7) How are **each** of the region's industries impacted by the Klondike gold rush?
- 8) What was the significance of having the federal government establish an assay office in Seattle?
- 9) What was the purpose of the 1909 world's fair, the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition?
- 10) What happened to the majority of people who left home in search of gold in the Yukon?
- 11) Describe the two different routes to the Yukon goldfields from Seattle.
- 12) Why did hundreds of people take steamers north from Seattle in 1900 to Nome, Alaska?
- 13) Describe the process of gold mining in Alaska.
- 14) Why did Alaska and the Klondike fade in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century as a popular field for individual miners?
- 15) Overall, what was the significance of the Alaska-Yukon gold rush in the development of the Pacific Northwest?