



**GUIDED READING AND REVIEW**

**SECTION 5**

**Frontier Myths**

**A. AS YOU READ**

As you read Section 5, fill in the chart by countering each frontier myth listed with a factual statement.

FRONTIER MYTHS	FRONTIER REALITIES
1. The typical western settler was a restless, adventurous white male.	
2. The American frontier was a land of unlimited economic opportunity.	
3. Frontiersmen upheld democratic ideals.	
4. The settlement of the West represented progress.	
5. People in the West were colorful, heroic, and larger than life.	
6. The West was a place in which young men could resist the forces of civilization that had made easterners soft.	

**B. REVIEWING KEY TERMS**

Define or identify the following terms.

- 7. Turner thesis \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. buffalo soldier \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. stereotype \_\_\_\_\_