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Study Guide

1. In the guise of Manifest Destiny, America authorized its control on the territories of North America. When these Mexican natives were given a choice to become American citizens, many people complied. However, they were treated as second-class American citizens and denied many rights, including the right to land ownership. They were hired as cheap laborers, and their lands were taken over by White Americans. California state or Californios then was fully occupied by the White settlers as a result of the Mexican-American war. They were forced to accept the cultural superiority of White Americans on the culture of Latin America. Likewise, they were forced to adopt the lifestyle of colonizers, and they were discouraged from speaking their native language. Through this illegitimate land control of the Mexican lands, white settlers earned a lot by hiring slaves to look after their agricultural fields. The earned profit was never distributed equally between the masters and the slaves.

3. President Abraham Lincoln abolished slavery, and Emancipation Proclamation was issued to implement a legal ban on slavery in America during the late nineteenth century. This bill not only abolished slavery but also restored the civil liberties of Black Americans. Likewise, it allowed them to enroll in military services, and approximate 200,00 African American soldiers took part in the Civil war. Emancipation Proclamation gained the significance of a powerful document that protected the rights of millions of African Americans and established their identity free of racial prejudices. However, this bill could not abolish slavery fully because it was only applicable to the areas that were under the jurisdiction of the United States of America. As a result, Black slavery practices were continued in the legal border states, and they were denied any rights to freedom. In America, White people were not allowed to indulge in the slave trade or keeping slaves illegally. However, Emancipation Proclamation could not achieve its purpose of fully abolishing slavery because of extreme racial practices carried out in America.