





Reading Check Identifying Cause and Effect What happened on the Texas frontier during the Civil War and Reconstruction?

★ The Treaty of Medicine Lodge

In 1867 the federal government sent commissioners to negotiate a new peace treaty with Comanches, Kiowas, and **_____** after rising incidents. They met at Medicine Lodge Creek in Kansas. **_____** The commissioners offered some 3 million acres of land for a reservation in Indian Territory. Those who moved to **_____** the reservation had to stop **_____** raising and **_____** farming. Kiowa chief Satanta **_____** the offer of a reservation. He argued that the **_____** belonged to the Kiowas and the Comanches. At the meeting, Satanta spoke out against the reservation system.



TEXAS VOICES

"I have heard that you intend to settle us on a reservation near the mountains. I don't want to settle. I love to roam over the prairie. There I feel free and happy, but when we settle down we grow sad and die. **_____** I love my own life and intend to run farther and farther west when I go up to the river I see **_____**

The Peace Policy

In 1869 President Ulysses S. Grant established a Board of Indian

Commissioners to carry out the terms of the

1867 Peace Commission. The commissioners appointed Quakers, members of a religious sect called the Society

of Friends, to act as American Indian agents. The Quakers believed in religious tolerance for all peoples and in nonviolence. Many Quakers and Christian missionaries became active in Indian affairs in hopes of preventing war on the frontier by helping American Indians adjust to

reservation life. The government hoped to teach the Plains Indians to

make a living by farming and raising animals for the consumption of

schools. The government also hoped to encourage the Indians to live in

the territory set aside for the *Plains Indians* in *Indian Territory*.

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There were serious problems with the reservation system. Although the government hoped that the Plains Indians would become farmers rather than buffalo hunters, the land the government set aside for them had poor soil. The few Indians who tried farming found it difficult to grow enough food to survive. Government



BIOGRAPHY

Satanta (c.1820–1874)

Kiowa leader

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