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Section 2

RETEACHING ACTIVITY *The Age of the Railroads*

Sequencing

A. Number the events of the Railroad Era below in the order in which they occurred.

- _____ 1. U.S. towns establish railroad time.
- _____ 2. Congress passes the Interstate Commerce Act.
- _____ 3. First transcontinental railroad created.
- _____ 4. Pullman car workers launch violent strike.
- _____ 5. Farmers form the Grange to address railroad abuses.
- _____ 6. *Munn v. Illinois* gives states the right to regulate railroads.
- _____ 7. Supreme Court rules ICC cannot set maximum railroad rates.
- _____ 8. Railroads' financial problems prompt nationwide economic panic.

Finding Main Ideas

B. Choose the word that most accurately completes the sentences below.

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| Chinese | five | Granger laws |
| four | Standard Oil | financial companies |
| German | land grants | Irish |

- 1. Recognizing how important railroads were for settling the West, the government made large _____ to the railroad companies.
- 2. The Central Pacific Railroad employed thousands of _____ immigrants, while numerous _____ immigrants worked for the Union Pacific Railroad.
- 3. Under railroad time, the United States was divided into _____ time zones.
- 4. Various measures enacted to regulate the railroads were known as _____.
- 5. By the end of the 19th century, a quarter of the nation's railroads had been taken over by _____.