

John Ware

These questions can help to guide a student's viewing of the John Ware biography.

1. Where was John Ware born?
2. Why was John freed from slavery? Why doesn't he take revenge on his former master?
3. List some of the reasons why you think John may have fled the Deep South.
4. What attracted John and other cattlemen to the demanding life of a cattle driver/rancher?
5. What challenges did John face as a southern black man?
6. How did John gain the respect of his colleagues?
7. Why did John decide to travel north to Canada? In which province does he decide to stay? What are the names of the two places he had land?
8. Describe some of the challenges John faced when in Canada.
9. What was John's brand number? Why do you think he chose that brand?
10. Who were the homesteaders?
11. Why would ranchers not want homesteaders to move into the west?
12. Describe the effects that cattle driving and ranching had on the Buffalo.
13. Record the characteristics of John that made him such a respected 'cowboy.'
14. Why was he referred to as "a good neighbour" by most people who knew him?