America Expands to the Pacific

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   c. Battle of Buena Vista
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      ____________

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      ____________

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People and Cultures

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Time and Change

5. Look at graph D, “Land Area of the United States,” and map E. Also look at map B, “Louisiana Purchase,” on page 38. Use the information to complete the following sentences.

a. In 1800 the United States had its western border on the ________________ and its total area was ________________ square miles.

b. The ________________ in 1803 added the territory between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains.

c. By 1830 the United States also had added the ________________ and ________________ to its territory, for a total area of 1,749,462 square miles.

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Places, Regions, and Landscapes

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