

Unit Question: Was “settling the West” Good for America?

Pre-Assessment Activity – Who are these Western Women?

Write a description of the four people posed in the photograph on the reverse side. Also write what you believe to be the thoughts of each as the picture is being taken? Consider their dress, facial expressions, body language, and what you might know about their experience. Read the short bibliographic information below for clues.



**Dakota mission schools / Riggs photo?**, created between 1880 and 1910? Thomas Lawrence Riggs 1847-1940, Western History/Genealogy Department, Denver Public Library [http://memory.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/r?ammem/hawp:@field\(NUMBER+@band\(codhawp+10031715\)\)](http://memory.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/r?ammem/hawp:@field(NUMBER+@band(codhawp+10031715)))