

Turning Points in history

Colorado topic starting points

1. Indian Wars in the Colorado Territory
2. The Gold Rush: How George A. Jackson's discovery of Gold along Chicago Creek changed Colorado.
3. The consequences of the Sand Creek Massacre—how the aftermath changed Indian relations.
4. The work of the Colorado Prisoner's Aid Society.
5. How the election of 1904 was a turning point in Colorado politics.
6. Helen Hunt Jackson and her Indian relations reform legacy.
7. How "Honest John" Shaforth, Governor from 1909—1913, changed Colorado.
8. Nathan Meeker and the Ute Indians.
9. A Turning Point in Denver history—the defeat of Mayor Robert Speer.
10. Justina Ford changes health care in Colorado.
11. The Homestead Act—How Homesteading won the west.
12. How Executive order 9066 affected Japanese Americans living in Colorado.
13. The impact of Camp Amache on the farming community of Lamar, Colorado.
14. How the Bonfil sisters' feud changed philanthropy in Colorado.
15. The treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo cedes the Southwest to the United States.
16. The Christmas Day 1854 massacre at Ft. Pueblo.
17. Nathaniel Hill's Blackhawk smelter ushered in the hard-rock mining era in Colorado.
18. Irrigation farming—a turning point in dryland farming.
19. Women's voting rights in the west. (Wyoming was first, but Colorado was second.)
20. How "Home Rule" changed Denver.
21. Changed Opportunities: The Emily Griffith School.
22. The Battle of Ludlow—the coal mine strike of 1914 changed worker rights.
23. The Denver Tramway strike of 1920.
24. The Child Labor amendment to the federal constitution, and the role Colorado played in its attempted ratification.
25. The Green Mountain Reservoir conflict and the use of the National Guard to protect both sides.
26. A turning point in health care—the treatment of consumption at Colorado's Sanatoriums.
27. Buffalo Bill Cody—a turning point in the entertainment industry.
28. The repeal of the Sherman Silver Act and its impact on Colorado's silver mining industry.
29. Delayed statehood—the consequence of the Sand Creek Massacre.
30. The railroad meets the mining district.
31. Protecting the settlers: the development of Colorado's forts.
32. The unsolved mystery of the 1922 Denver Mint Robbery.
33. The post war boom: How WWII changed Colorado.
34. Dearfield African American Farming Community.

Colorado Notables to explore: Sitting Bull, Crazy Horse, Red Cloud, Josephine Roche, Clara Brown, Barney Ford, General William Palmer, Soapy Smith, Mary Coyle Chase, Louise Sneed Hill, Carolyn Bancroft, Golda Meir