**Step 2**

**EXPLAIN WHY IT MATTERS**

Put your reading into practice. Identify each term below, and then explain why it matters in U.S. history.

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