

US History 8
Thematic Essay
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Theme: Turning Points

Formation of the National
Grange, 1876

Finding Gold in the west
1860s-1880s

The Rise of Industry

Turning points are major events in history that have led to lasting change.

For your assigned turning point(s):

- Describe the historical **circumstances** surrounding the turning point.
- Explain how the turning point **changed** the course of history.