Worksheet 1: Cows and Cowboys in Kansas History

Circle the correct answer for each question.

1. The article titled, “Cows, Cowboys, and Kansas” uses sequence as its text structure to explain:
   A. how many cattle live in Kansas today.
   B. why Kansas became a U.S. territory.
   C. which came first, the cows, cowboys, or Kansas.
   D. why cows ate prairie grasses.

2. Based on the first paragraph in the article, “Food on the Moo-ve,” Kansans did not eat much beef until:
   A. after the Civil War.
   B. Wendy’s was built.
   C. pork was outlawed.
   D. refrigerators were invented.

3. In the article “The End of the Trail,” the phrase quarantine laws probably means:
   A. the proper title for infected cattle
   B. laws set to keep infected cattle out of Kansas.
   C. fencing that protected farmers’ crops.
   D. laws that cattle had to follow when they moved to Kansas.

4. In the photo caption on page 8, the word drover means:
   A. branding iron
   B. cowboy
   C. rancher
   D. cattle herd

5. In the photo caption on page 9, the word hazard probably means:
   A. disease
   B. breed of cattle
   C. type of boat
   D. danger