

## Who was a Blacksmith?

### Directions

Cowboys used a variety of tools and objects in their daily lives and as a part of their jobs. Many of these were made of metal. Make a list of items you know cowboys used that were metal, or that you saw in the Repair Shop video which cowboys would have used.

What did a blacksmith do?

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What types of items did a blacksmith make or repair?

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Why was a blacksmith important to a community or town?

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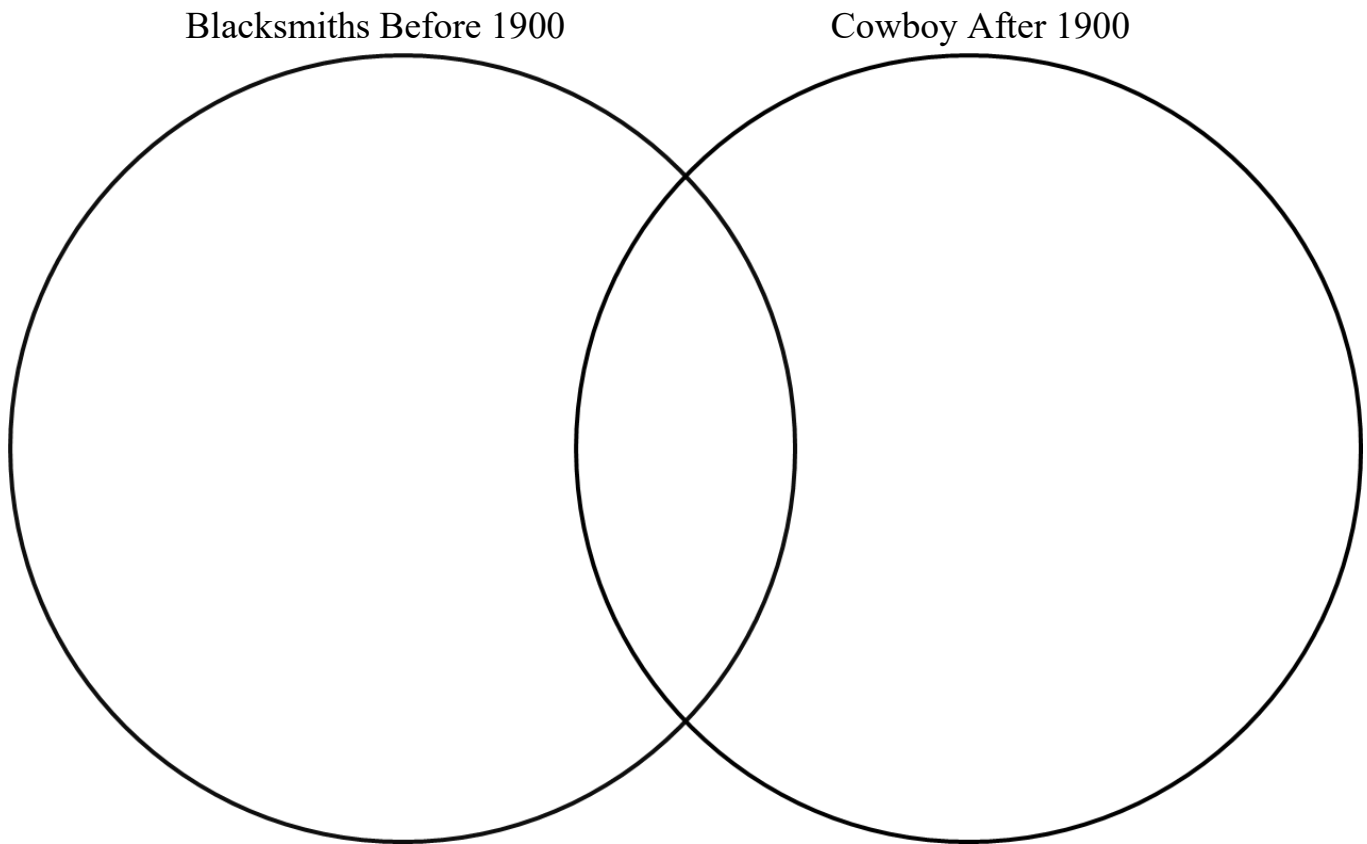
After 1900, cowboys on ranches and farms had to learn to do the work of a blacksmith. What skills would they have needed to learn to be able to do a blacksmith's job?

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Using this information and other details you learned in the video, complete the Venn Diagram comparing and contrasting a blacksmith's job before 1900 and the cowboy's job after 1900.



It's hard to find a blacksmith today, but there are many people who do work similar to that of a blacksmith in our communities now. What careers can you think of that work with metal in their jobs?

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What careers help fix and repair broken items?

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What careers make new items from iron and steel and other types of metal?

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