3.4e Candidates understand the development and identify the locations of California’s major economic activities: mining, large-scale agriculture, entertainment, recreation, aerospace, electronics and international trade.

**Video: California’s Major Economic Activities (5:27)**

**Major Economic Activities**

Need to know historic and geographic info about major economic activities. CA economy is bigger than that of many countries.

1) **Mining** – started with Gold Rush, but CA mines other ores such as silver, and is still very important industry.

2) **Agriculture** – Major agriculture producer for most of US. Central Valley is where most of agricultural production is, but other important areas are the Imperial Valley, and Central Coast (Ventura and Monterey). Wine is the number 1 agricultural industry in terms of dollars: Napa, Sonoma, Paso Robles, Stockton, Fresno. Alfalfa is number 1 in terms of number of acres, but it is a low value crop. Alfalfa is used to feed cows in dairies. CA provides food for US and much of world.

3) **Entertainment** – Southern CA is seat of entertainment industry because of good weather (good climate). They didn’t have to worry about rain keeping them from shooting movies outdoors. Western’s were popular and there were good areas to shoot them in S CA. John Ford was a director who made lots of westerns. Variety of terrain (mountains, beaches, deserts) for making movies.
4) Recreation – many people want to come to CA for theme parks located in Los Angeles area (Disneyland, Sea World, Knott’s Berry Farm, Universal Studios), national and state parks (Yosemite, Sequoia), popular cities to visit (San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco). Theme parks are located here also, because they are an offshoot of the movie industry.
5) Aerospace – producing rockets, plane, defense products in 1950’s and 1960’s in Orange County. Companies – Lockheed, Boeing, Hughes, Aautonautics, McDonnell Douglas. Then there were cuts in the defense budget in the 1970s and lots of people lost their jobs. But, still a major industry.
6) Electronics – Silicon Valley (San Jose, south of San Francisco) produces computer micro chips.
7) International Trade – Important ports are Los Angeles/Long Beach, and San Francisco, San Diego. Trade route between Los Angeles/Long Beach and Asia is the busiest in the world. Most goods come to US through that port. Then trucks and trains distribute to rest of US.

19. Movie industry moved to California for what reasons. Picked: Climate and terrain. (Think this is the correct answer. Discussed in video.)

1. Essay : Name 2 of California’s major industries and discuss how they have affected the development of California. (Discussed in video.)

3.5e They identify factors leading to the development of California’s water delivery system, and describe its relationship to California geography.

California’s Water Delivery System
SCA is a desert and doesn’t have enough water without brining it in from outside. There are some local reservoirs and canals, but biggest source is California Aqueduct. It brings water from Northern California.

18. Conflict since the 1950’s over water in California has been between what groups. Picked: North and South. (Think this is correct answer. Discussed in video.)
52. Which line in the table below best matches a California industry with a major historical turning point in that industry's development?

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