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In 1861, Cochise and several of his people were accused of raiding a ranch. In the raid a white child was kidnapped. But Cochise and his friends were innocent. They didn't know anything about the incident. The real raiders, in fact, were not Chiricahua Apache. They were Western Apache, a group living further north.

A young Army officer named George Bascom tried holding Cochise prisoner. Cochise cut through the tent where the army was holding him. Then he escaped. But several of his Apache friends were killed. Some were his relatives.

After this, there were more conflicts between the American army. Conflicts increased. In 1862 there were more conflicts.

Cochise joined with Mangas Coloradas (a name that means "Red and White"). Together, the two chiefs led one of the bands.

In 1863 Mangas Coloradas died. Then, he was held prisoner by the army. Cochise, a man who valued honesty, refused to surrender.

As 1870 drew near, the American government. Other chiefs were few white people Cochise still trusted.

One he did trust was frontiersman Tom Jeffords. For a time Jeffords had also headed the area's stagecoach and mail service.

The government wanted to send Cochise to a reservation. But it was hundreds of miles away. Cochise didn't want to leave his homeland. Finally, with Jeffords help, a new treaty was made. In 1872 Cochise surrendered. A new Chiricahua reservation was

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established on his homeland.

Cochise died two years later. Members of his tribe buried him in a secret location. Shortly after, the new reservation was closed. Some of the Chiricahua Apache were moved north to another reservation. Others escaped to Mexico and New Mexico. Later, most ended up on reservations. Among these was the new Chiricahua leader, Geronimo.

But Cochise was never forgotten. His friendship with Tom Jeffords was made into a 1950 movie called _____ of Arizona that Cochise called home was named _____

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Cochise, Great Apache Chief

4) "Cochise was never forgotten". In which ways was he remembered?

5) Match the following

- a. truce
- b. encroach
- c. accuse
- d. conflict
- e. reservation

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