



## ANSWERS

It was the greatest Native American victory and the worst U.S. Army loss during the Plains Indian War. The Native American victory was a collective act of resistance against the ongoing encroachment of the white man on Native American life and culture. However, Custer's defeat confirmed the white American belief that the Native Americans were barbaric and vicious. Ultimately, it sped up the rate at which the U.S. Army was sent to subdue the Native American tribes.