

Exploring World History
Westward Expansion

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DIRECTIONS: Write the number of the vocabulary word in the box next to the corresponding definition.

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| 3. Bronco | 16. Manifest Destiny |
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| 6. Daniel Boone | 19. Pioneers |
| 7. Frontier | 20. Pony Express |
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| 10. Gunslinger | 23. Stampede |
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- The first people to explore and settle the West.
- The extreme limit of settled land beyond which lies wilderness.
- System for transmitting messages along a wire.
- Piece of free land acquired from the government in exchange for living and working on it.
- Moving a herd of cattle from one place to another.
- Explorers dispatched by Thomas Jefferson to map and explore the uncharted West.

- American folk hero, pioneer, explorer, and frontiersman.
- A wagon trail that stretched from the Missouri River to the Far West.
- Mail service on horseback that operated from Missouri to California.
- A wild or half-tamed horse.
- The railroad system that connected the east coast to the west coast.
- When lands were opened to sale and people would race to claim a plot.
- Belief that the expansion of the US across the American continent was inevitable.
- Purchase of a large expanse of land by the US from France in 1803.
- Land set aside for Native American Indians.
- Rapidly growing town.
- Rapid movement of migrants to California, starting in 1848 after gold was found.
- A large animal (usually cattle) farm in the western US.
- A historical territory of the US that extended from the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers to the Great Lakes.
- Someone who carries a gun and shoots well.
- Deserted town with few or no remaining inhabitants.
- Small house made from tree trunks
- Person who tends the cattle on a ranch.
- Large handkerchief worn by cowboys tied around the neck.
- Sudden panicked rush of cattle or bison.
- Convoy of covered wagons transporting settlers westward.



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