

Objectives: Westward Expansion

When I am finished learning about the Westward Expansion I will be able to identify and understand the following:

___I will be able describe the purpose, challenges, and economic incentives associated with Westward Expansion, including the concept of manifest destiny (i.e. Lewis and Clark expedition, accounts of Native American removal).

___I will analyze the numerous territorial acquisitions by the United States including the Louisiana Purchase, Florida Territory, Native American removal, and the Southwest.

___I will examine the exploration of the Louisiana Territory by Lewis and Clark and the importance of Sacagawea in this exploration.

___I will learn about life on the Oregon Trail and analyze the many reasons Americans moved west.

___I will examine the Texas War for Independence and the U.S.-Mexico War, including territorial settlements, and the effects of these wars on the lives of Americans, including Mexican-Americans today.

___I will be able to describe the impact of the California Gold Rush on Westward Expansion and the establishment of the multi-cultural West.