



joint occupation      decree      empresario

**DIRECTIONS: Using Vocabulary** Use each of the following terms correctly in a complete sentence.

1. Two related terms: one names American adventurers who spent most of their time in the Rocky Mountains, and the other names a meeting where these adventurers gathered.
2. Two related terms: the idea that the United States was intended to extend its boundaries to the Pacific Ocean, and someone who helped this idea become reality by leaving the United States to go to Oregon country.
3. Two terms that are opposites: one means to take control of something; the other means to give up control.
4. Two related terms: one refers to one of the huge properties built by Mexican settlers in California in the early 1800s; the other names the owner of one of these properties.
5. Two related terms: one names a Mexican who claimed Texas as home and the other names Mexicans who lived in California.
6. Three related terms: people who arrived in California looking for gold in 1849; a new community that gold miners built, almost overnight; and a concerned citizen of one of these communities who became a member of a committee that took the law into its own hands.

annex      mountain men      Californios      cede      boomtown  
 rancho      Manifest Destiny      vigilante      rancho      rendezvous  
 Tejano      forty-niners      emigrant

**DIRECTIONS: Identifying Related and Unrelated Terms** Write terms from the list below that fit each description.

**Vocabulary Activity 12**

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**DIRECTIONS:** Recalling the Facts Use the information in your textbook to answer the questions. Use another sheet of paper if necessary.

**★ Guided Reading Activity 12-1**

1. What did the Oregon country include? \_\_\_\_\_  
2. What nations laid claim to the Oregon country in the early 1800s? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why did Americans want control of the Oregon country? \_\_\_\_\_  
4. What agreement did John Quincy Adams work out with Great Britain in 1818 regarding the Oregon country? \_\_\_\_\_  
5. Who were the mountain men? \_\_\_\_\_  
6. How did mountain men make their living? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What was the highlight of the year for the mountain men? \_\_\_\_\_  
8. What did mountain men such as Kit Carson do for work after most of the beavers were killed off? \_\_\_\_\_  
9. When did the first large-scale migration to Oregon country take place? \_\_\_\_\_

10. What was the path called that the pioneers followed into Oregon country? \_\_\_\_\_  
11. What were the wagons called that held the pioneers' supplies and belongings? \_\_\_\_\_  
12. How did Native Americans assist pioneers on their journey west? \_\_\_\_\_

13. Where did most of the pioneers settle? \_\_\_\_\_  
14. What phrase did newspaper editor John O'Sullivan use to describe the idea of a national mission to extend the boundaries of the United States all the way to the Pacific Ocean? \_\_\_\_\_

15. What 1844 campaign slogan referred to the line of latitude that Democrats believed should be the nation's northern border in Oregon? \_\_\_\_\_

★ Guided Reading Activity 12-2

**DIRECTIONS:** Outlining Locate the heading in your textbook. Then use the information under the heading to help you write each answer. Use another sheet of paper if necessary.

**I. A Clash of Cultures**

**A.** Introduction—Why did Americans believe that they had the right to claim Texas?

**B.** Land Grants—What name was given to the first American families, carefully recruited by Stephen F. Austin, to settle in Texas?

**C.** Growing Tension—What was the purpose of the 1830 decree issued by Mexico?

**D.** Attempt at Reconciliation—What demands did Austin present to the Mexican president Antonio López de Santa Anna in their 1833 meeting?

**II. The Struggle for Independence**

**A.** Introduction

1. What do Texans consider the first fight of the Texan Revolution?

2. Where did Texans score an important victory in 1835?

**B.** The Battle of the Alamo

1. When was the Battle of the Alamo?

2. Who led the Mexican forces and who led the Texans at the Alamo?

3. Although they lost the battle and their lives, what had the defenders of the Alamo done for Texans?

**C.** Texas Declares Its Independence

1. What happened on March 2, 1836?

2. What was the Goliad Massacre?

**D.** The Battle of San Jacinto—What was the battle cry of Texans at the battle of San Jacinto?

**III. The Lone Star Republic**

**A.** Introduction—Who was elected president of Texas in 1836?

**B.** Texas Becomes a State—When did Texas officially become a state?

ending the Mexican War. The war cost Mexico (17) \_\_\_\_\_ of its territory. the independent (15) \_\_\_\_\_. The Treaty of (16) \_\_\_\_\_ was signed in February 1848, New Mexico without firing a shot. A small group of Americans in Sonoma proclaimed In the summer of 1846, General Stephen Watts Kearny captured the (14) \_\_\_\_\_ of divided over the (13) \_\_\_\_\_. (11) \_\_\_\_\_ to march soldiers to the disputed borderland. Mexican soldiers attacked When the Mexican government refused to negotiate, Polk ordered General President Polk sent an agent, (10) \_\_\_\_\_, to Mexico to settle several disputes.

**War With Mexico**

Americans saw the benefits of extending the United States territory to the (9) \_\_\_\_\_. to Mexican settlers. American families began arriving in the (8) \_\_\_\_\_. Many Mexican government passed a law abolishing the missions and sold some of the land part of Spain's plan to colonize California was the (6) \_\_\_\_\_. In (7) \_\_\_\_\_ the

**California's Spanish Culture**

Missionaries and (5) \_\_\_\_\_ were the first Europeans to settle in California. A key route he took became known as the (4) \_\_\_\_\_. The area. (3) \_\_\_\_\_, the first American trader to reach Santa Fe, arrived in 1821. The Americans away from (2) \_\_\_\_\_, fearing that Americans would want to take over Arizona, Nevada and parts of Colorado and Utah. The Spanish tried to keep In the early 1800s, the area of (1) \_\_\_\_\_ included all of present-day New Mexico,

**The New Mexico Territory**

Zachary Taylor  
 Republic of California  
 mission system  
 William Becknell  
 Santa Fe Trail  
 Mexican War  
 1833  
 capital  
 John Sillidell  
 Santa Fe  
 declared war  
 1840s  
 half  
 New Mexico  
 Pacific

**DIRECTIONS:** Filling in the Blanks Use your textbook to fill in the blanks using the words in the box. Use another sheet of paper if necessary.

**SECTION 12-3**

**★ Guided Reading Activity 12-3**

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**★ Guided Reading Activity 12-4**

**DIRECTIONS:** Recalling The Facts Use the information in your textbook to answer the questions. Use another sheet of paper if necessary.

1. How many people came to California in search of gold in 1848 and 1849?

2. Who were the forty-niners?

3. Where did the forty-niners come from?

4. What was the name given to the communities that seemed to spring up overnight?

5. What city grew from a tiny village to a city of about 20,000 people during the Gold Rush?

6. Where did miners find gold?

7. Who profited most from the Gold Rush?

8. What were the mining camps like for the men who lived there?

9. Who were the vigilantes?

10. What long-lasting effects did the Gold Rush have on the California economy?

11. What happened to California's population during the Gold Rush?

12. Why did California's request to become a state cause a crisis in Congress?

13. Why did the Mormons come to Utah?

14. Who founded the Mormon church and who led the Mormons to Utah?

15. What is the historical significance of the migration of 12,000 Mormons to the Great Salt Lake in 1846?

16. What was the original name of Salt Lake City?