

Word Wall

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| ABCD | EFGH | IJKLM |
| annex
buffer zone
continental divide | expansionist
ghost town | manifest
Destiny
mountain man |

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| NOPQR | STUVWXYZ |
| regionalism
rendezvous | secularize |

Graphic Organizers/Content-Area Textbook

- Take notes over each section of the chapter.
- By putting the headings in the center, students will branch out including most important information from each section.
- Students will participate in doing the SQ3R Reading Method.

Text Set

- Graphic America: Western, Ho!
- By: Darren Sechrist
- Lewis and Clark Expedition
- By John Perritano
- Food & Recipes of the Western Expansion
- By George Erdosh
- Manifest Destiny
- By Shane Montjoy
- Mountain Men of the West
- By James Burger
- Children of the Gold Rush
- By Claire Murphy
- Gold Fever
- By Rosaly Schenzer
- Blood in the Water
- By Pamela Dell

Word Study Activities

- Make word maps
- Alphabet book over the expansion west.
- Make list of words & names.

Technology

- Take virtual field trip
- U.S. History Museum
- One room school house
- The Alamo
- Powerpoint for presentation



Lit Circles

Students will read and discuss books about western expansion.



KWL Chart

- introduce at beginning
- use to conclude unit.
- Refer to along the way to answer questions.

Centers

- Identify animals from the west.
- Gather information about important people of this time period.
- Learn bird calls
- Play Organ Trail on computer
- Read text set books
- Draw a map of the west
- listen to time period music

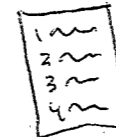


Projects

- Divide into families and pretend to live on the Organ Trail.
- Mine for gold
- Act out parts of history
- make western food
- presentation on famous person from the west.

Literary Skills/Strategies

- Take notes
- make time line
- Comprehension



Maps & Diagrams

- Compare old maps to current maps
- Create Venn diagram over life then & now
- Observe maps of Organ Trail

