

Story Study Guide
Going West
Prepare and due on _____

After reading the story over, please prepare yourself for the written test by answering the following questions. *Respond to these on this sheet if possible.* You may use your notebook if you feel it necessary for neatness and space.

Underline the correct response to multiple choice questions. Begin and end your sentence correctly, besides making sure that your sentence has a subject and predicate.

1. **How did most families travel along the Oregon Trail in the 1840's?**

- a. on horseback
- b. in wagons

2. **The trip west on the Oregon Trail could best be described as**

- a. noisy and dirty
- b. difficult and quick

3. **Why did the pioneers tie pails of milk to the wagon?**

4. **While the pioneers were traveling, who rode in the wagons?**

5. **How long did it take the pioneers to get ready to leave each morning?**

6. **How were the wagons arranged at night?**

7. **How many pioneers traveled west on the Oregon Trail before the railroad was completed?**

8. Why did the pioneers travel west on the Oregon Trail?

9. The pioneers began traveling west in the 1840s

- a. before the United States was a country
- b. before California was part of the United States

10. The pioneers called themselves “emigrants” because they were

- a. born in foreign countries
- b. leaving the United States

VOCABULARY this week!

Fill in the blanks with the words from the word bank.

plodding parched sturdy jolted sentries
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1. The _____ (people stationed to keep watch; guards) kept watch in the castle tower to protect the princess.
2. The wagon was _____ (strong) to hold five children.
3. The Eskimo went _____ (walking in a slow, heavy way) through the deep snow.
4. The handyman was _____ (moved in a sudden, violent way) by the electricity.
5. The farmer was _____ (made hot and very thirsty) after working all day in the hot sun.

Study these Spelling words:

Word with Greek Roots

autograph	graphics	geography	paragraph
phonograph	graph	apology	technology
geology	biology	bicycle	tricycle
recycle	motorcycle	telegraph	television
telegram	telethon	telescope	photograph

Practice these in cursive. Correct letter formation is a must!



A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
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