

Westward Expansion Vocabulary- PLEASE KEEP FOR FUTURE USE!!

campfire, n. An outdoor fire used for warmth or cooking

settled, v. To move to a place and make it your home

sights, n. Things or places seen

sympathy, n. Feeling sorry about someone else's trouble or misfortune

wagon train, n. A line or caravan of wagons

design, v. To create the plans for

inventor, n. A person who invents or creates a new product

journey, n. An act of traveling from one place to another

steamboats, n. Steam-powered boats

voyage, n. A journey

Erie Canal, n. A 363-mile-long, man-made waterway created during the early 1800s to join the Hudson River to Lake Erie in New York State

freight, n. Goods that are moved from one place to another by ship, train, truck, wagon, or airplane

tow, v. To pull or haul

transport, v. To carry or move from one place to another

approach, n. A way of doing or thinking about something

concluded, v. Decided after a period of thought or observation

create, v. To make or produce something; to cause something new to exist

generations, n. Groups of people who are born and living during the same time

interacting, v. Talking or doing things with other people

encountered, v. Unexpectedly met with or came upon something

forced, adj. Involuntary or not done of one's own choice

insisted, v. Demanded or said something firmly

miserable, adj. Causing extreme discomfort or unhappiness

relocate, v. To move a home, people, or animals from one place to another place

hardships, n. Difficult conditions or situations that cause discomfort and/or suffering

ruts, n. Grooves worn into soft ground

scout, n. A person sent ahead of a traveling group to gather information about what lies ahead

steep, adj. Having a very sharp slope

territory, n. A specific section of land that belongs to a government but is not yet an official state or province; a specific area of land or a geographical region

endurance, n. The ability to go on for a long time despite pain or discomfort

landmarks, n. Objects or structures on land that are easy to see and recognize

route, n. A way to get from one place to another place

venture, n. A business activity where a successful result is uncertain

ancestor, n. A person who lived a long, long time ago from whom another is directly descended; a forefather

convenient, adj. Suitable for your needs; causing the least difficulty

iron horse, *n.* A nickname for the first locomotives

spanned, *v.* Covered the length of something from one end to the other

transcontinental railroad, *n.* A railroad system that stretches all the way from the East Coast to the West Coast of the continental United States

bison, *n.* Large, shaggy mammals also known as buffalo

charged, *v.* Ran or rushed at, sometimes as if to attack

skilled, *adj.* Trained or experienced in something that requires a certain ability

solemnly, *adv.* In an unsmiling or serious manner