Chapter 13: Manifest Destiny, Section 1: Trails West
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ONE AMERICAN’S STORY AND THE EARLY PIONEERS

1. What was Jedediah Smith’s occupation?

2. Smith and his contemporaries were examples of __________ __________

3. In general for what were Smith and others like him looking for west of the Mississippi River? Which animal was the prize of the West and almost trapped to extinction by 1848?

4. What African American became famous as a mountain man? What does he discover that aids pioneers? To where did it lead? **Thinking Question:** How does this 1850 discovery change the future of California and the nation?

5. What was the rendezvous system? Who started it in 1825? (Use terms “traders” and “trappers”.)

6. What important landform did Smith discover? Where was its location? How did it improve travel? To where did it lead?

7. **Summarize** the importance of Smith, Beckwourth, and others to western expansion.

8. How did the Louisiana Purchase effect the size of the United States?

9. How does a land speculator make money?

10. **Summary:** Explain what motivated pioneers to undertake the hazardous journey into the rugged west.

SETTLING THE WEST

11. What convinced early settlers to go west?

12. To what locations did the early routes lead?

13. SANTA FE TRAIL: What changed with Mexican independence in 1821? **Offer a reason for the change.**

14. What adventurer/trader “pioneered” a new route called the Santa Fe Trail? Where does it start? Where did it end?

15. What was the incentive (reward) to go to Santa Fe?
16. **OREGON FEVER**: The ___________________________ started in ____________, Missouri and continued to the ___________________________.

17. Who were Marcus and Narcissa Whitman?

18. What was the effect of the Whitman reports on migration? How does this cause an international problem?

19. **Think**: What type of people would be influenced by the “stories”? What is “Oregon fever”? Why use the word, “fever”?

20. **THE MORMON TRAIL**: What is the real name of the Mormon faith? Name its founder and state of origin.

21. What two things upset people about the early Mormon church?

22. What happened to Joseph Smith? Who took charge of the Mormon faithful? What does he do with the majority of the Mormon members?

23. What city is built by the Mormons near the Great Salt Lake? In what modern state is this city found? How was it able to survive in a desert climate?  **Additional note from Mr. Stemler**: What was the state name proposed by the Mormons?

24. What other area is being changed at the same time as the West?