

Student Pioneer:

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Oregon Trail ABC Book Project

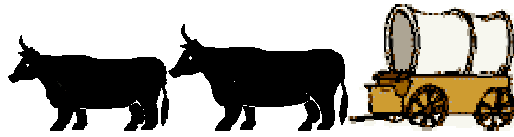
For our Oregon Trail study, you and your wagon team will create an ABC book using our pioneers theme as the focus. You will each receive a copy of the book to keep. As we read If You Traveled West in a Covered Wagon, keep a list of words that begin with each letter. Consider all aspects of pioneer life, including jobs and fun on the trail, trail conditions, supplies, animals, tools, migration and the journey out west to Oregon as well as how people felt taking this long trip west.

Each team will divide up the alphabet letters and create the book pages. For each alphabet letter page, you will choose at least three words beginning with that letter. You will write descriptive sentences to explain the significance of the word as it relates to the Oregon Trail. The special word must be underlined and/or printed in bold. Each book page needs a nicely colored illustration that goes with the words. You may use more than three words per page for extra credit points. You will write rough draft pages first and then you will receive the final copy paper to complete in your best writing and illustrating. You will be graded on your individual contribution to the project. You will create a quilt block, include a map of the Oregon Trail, and include an About the Author page with photo.

Example: C

*Pioneers used **covered** wagons to carry all of their belongings on the Oregon Trail. **Chimney Rock** is a famous landmark that could be seen for miles away. It looked like a chimney sticking above the prairie. Many pioneers died of a very contagious disease called **cholera**. If someone got cholera in the morning, they could be dead by evening. Cholera was caused mainly by using contaminated water sources.*

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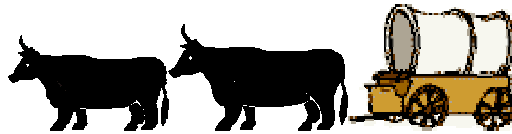
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Group _____ Members:

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4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

Write the name of the wagon train member responsible for writing and illustrating this page in your book.

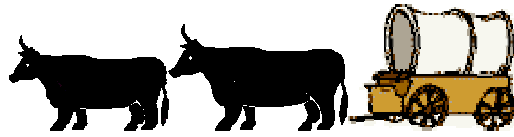
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**Each student will choose 3 topics from the list below to weave the information into your book page.
Write the name of the person responsible for this piece and tell what letter page it will go on.**

“Must Haves” in your book	Letter or Page it Will be Placed	Person Responsible
Book Title: _____ Written and Illustrated by (list all team member names with your name listed first) McCall Pioneer Press ©April 2012	Title Page	each person will create their own book page
Dedication Page. Write a few sentences for the dedication then sign the dedication with your initials.	Dedication page	each person will create their own book page
Length of the Oregon Trail and number of months the trip west took		
Month pioneers usually started out on the Oregon Trail (and why they left then)		
Number of miles did the pioneers traveled on average each day		
How people felt leaving their home to travel west		
Wagon - description, materials it was made of, weight, canvas top, etc.		
What animals mainly pulled the wagons		
Food		
Supplies		
Independence, Missouri - the jumping off town		
Crossing Rivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big Blue River - 9 miles traveled, • Kansas River shortly after the Big Blue • Three Island Crossing on the Snake River – 1,397 miles from Independence 		
Forts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fort Kearney – 319 miles from Independence • Fort Laramie – 650 miles • Fort Bridger – 1,026 miles • Fort Hall – 1,217 miles • Fort Boise – 1,510 miles • Fort Vancouver – 1,950 miles – met Dr. McLoughlin 		
Famous Landmarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Courthouse Rock & Jail Rock – 561 miles from Independence • Chimney Rock - 575 miles traveled • Independence Rock – 814 miles traveled – arrived about 4th of July • Sweetwater River Crossing & Devil’s Gate – 820 miles traveled • South Pass – 914 miles traveled 		
Blue Mountains – 1,600 miles from Independence		
The Dalles (1842 - 1845) – 1,819 miles from Independence or Barlow Toll Road (1846 or later) – 1,889 miles from Independence		
Arriving in Oregon and building a new home, how pioneers felt finally arriving		
Oregon Trail Map – trace the route in color	Trail Map	each person will create their own book page
Quilt Design – must show symmetry both in the design and color	Quilt Design	each person will create their own book page
About the Author Page	Author Page	each person will create their own book page

Pioneer Words



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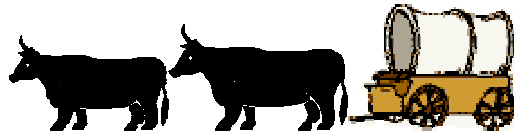
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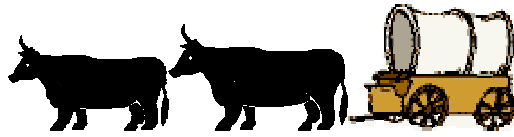
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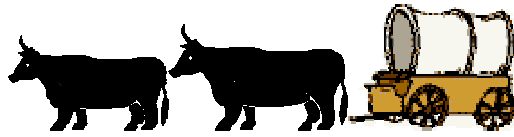
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My Rough Draft Quilt Block Design

Remember – Your quilt block MUST show symmetry in both design and color.



Map Source: http://www.thefurtrapper.com/rendezvous_sites.htm