

Vocabulary and Study Guide

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If you do not know a word's meaning, try breaking it into smaller parts. It may contain a smaller word that you know.

Find the smaller words inside these words. Use what you know about the smaller word or words to write the meaning of the longer word.

	New word	Words in it that I know	Word meanings that I know	What I think the word means
1.	wagon train			
2.	forty-niner			
3.	gold rush			
4.	boomtown			

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Read "Trails West." Then choose the correct ending to each statement below.

5. The first large group of people who traveled on the Oregon Trail were looking for
 - A. a mission.
 - B. good land.
 - C. gold.
6. The people who traveled on the Mormon Trail followed
 - A. ranchers.
 - B. forty-niners.
 - C. Brigham Young.

Read "The California Gold Rush." Then fill in the cause-and-effects chart below.

