

Unit 9: Westward Expansion

Study Guide

- Define Manifest Destiny.

Texan Independence

- Who were the key players?
- What is a Tejano?
- What were the factors/reasons for Texan Independence?
- Who were the Texans seeking independence from?
- What are some of the key battles? Where were they located?
- When did Texan become an Independent Country?
- Who was Texas' first President?
- When did Texas become a US State?

Mexican-American War

- Why did the US declare war on Mexico?
- What happened during the Mexican-American War?
 - Who were the key players?
 - What is the Treaty of Guadeloupe Hidalgo? What did it give the US?
 - What are some of the key battles/strategies? What happened?

California/Gold Rush

- Who first discovered gold in California?
- What is supply and demand?
- Why did Californians begin to dislike minorities?
- What role did minorities play in the Gold Rush?
- What role did women play in the Gold Rush?
- What role did slaves play in the Gold Rush?
- What is the history of San Francisco? Why is its growth so important?

Mormons

- Why did Mormons seek to move west? Where were they trying to go?
- Who was the leader of the Mormon westward movement?
- Who was the founder of the Mormon religion?

Oregon Territory

- What is a push factor? What is a pull factor?
- What are the push factors towards Oregon Territory?
- What are the pull factors of the Oregon Territory?