

WESTWARD HO!

Name: _____

Acidic liquid + Raw Egg Prediction : I predict that _____

Instructions: Complete each of the items below as directed by your teacher.

1. Why did so many people take their entire family and move west during the days of frontier expansion in the late 1800s?

2. The process of "proving a claim" was one that involved staying on the land, building a permanent home there, and generally improving the value of the land by making a living there. What do you think would have been the three biggest problems to proving their claims faced by the settlers that moved to the Montana territory in the 1880s?

3. As you can see, everyone in the family worked on a frontier homestead, even the small children! How is the workload divided among the settler's family?

4. The people who went out west had to have several weeks of special training before they set off. What did the experts say were four of the different challenges to survival?

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5. The families were each given a dairy cow and calf as well as horses and dogs to take with them. Why are the animals so important to the settlers?

6. Imagine you are one of the women in the tape. How is cooking on the frontier different from the way we usually cook at home today?

7. Why don't Kristen and Nate Brooks have a cow? What livestock do they have?

8. The settlers could not afford to waste anything they had, including extra milk or dairy products. One way to keep milk longer was to make it into cheese. How does Kristen make cheese?

9. How did the settlers keep the butter, eggs, and cheeses fresh without iceboxes or refrigerators?
