# MANIFEST DESTINY/ EXPANSION NOTES

Manifest Destiny: The desire for America to control all territory from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Reasons for Expansion: Economic gain, more land, fresh land, escape persecution (religious or political), escape (law or debt).

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•	Missou	ri Compromise (18	20): Had to address t	he issue of slavery in t	the new territories	
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•	Indian i	Removal Act:	wa	nted tribal lands for se	ettlers in the Western today	
	0	Trail of Tears: W	hen the	were forced to l	leave Georgia (even after	
			to stay in the Suprem	ne Court), a large perc	entage of the population died	1
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	0	A chance to conv	ert Native Americans	to the Mormon faith		
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•	Americ	an's popularized th	ie slogan "	" to	show that they wanted all of	£
	the des	ired territory, not to	split any land with E	Britain.		
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•	Americ	ans didn't want to	follow Mexico's laws	so they fought for in	dependence	
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		in Army slaughtere			ame a rallying cry for future	
	The	won and cl	aimed their independ	ence. When they aske	ed to be annexed (taken in) b	У
	Americ	ca, many		protested because t	they did not want another	
	slave st	tate added to the Ur	nion.			
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Gadsden Purchase (1853): A small portion of land in present day Arizona was purchased from Mexico to complete a transcontinental railroad. This completed the border of the continental United States.

# The Nation Expands Westward to the Pacific

## RETEACHING ACTIVITY Chapter 12, Section 2

**Directions:** Look at the map of the United States and read about the activities that helped expand the nation. Then complete the sentences at the bottom of the page. You will then understand how Americans expanded westward to the Pacific.

#### **Oregon Territory**

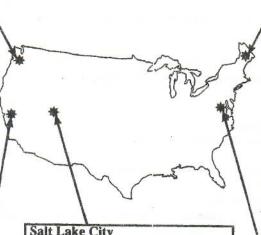
The accounts of fertile soil and abundant rainfall lured settlers to Oregon, People traveled west on the Oregon Trail, a route that linked Independence, Missouri, and Portland, Oregon. Some walked. while others rode in Conestoga wagons-covered wagons pulled by oxen.

1846: Britain and the United States extended the boundary along the forty-ninth parallel from the Rocky Mountains to Puget Sound.

#### California

1830's: Taken from Indians by Mexico.

Polk offered to buy California, but Mexico refused. By the 1840's, there were seven hundred United States settlers in California and more on the way.



Salt Lake City

Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, a religious group today known as Mormons, went west to escape attacks by anti-Mormons. Their founder and leader, Joseph Smith, was murdered in Nauvoo, Illinois. A new leader, Brigham Young, founded the Mormon settlement of Salt Lake City in 1847 in what later became Utah. Young thought his people would be safe in an unpleasant land that no one else wanted.

### Northeastern Border

The War of 1812 did not fully resolve the American-Canadian boundary. In 1839 a conflict between Canadian lumberiacks and Maine militiamen over land rights took place. Known as the Aroostook War, it ended with an agreement in 1842 negotiated by Daniel Webster of the United States and Lord Ashburton of Britain. The agreement divided the territory evenly.

### Washington, D.C.

Westward expansion was the single campaign issue of 1844. Presidential hopefuls were James K. Polk, a Democratic dark-horse (littleknown but unexpectedly well-supported) candidate, and Henry Clay, a Whig. A small third political party, the Liberty party, helped Polk win the election.

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2. Some people rode to the Oregon Territory in	•
3. The Oregon Trail stretched between	and
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4. The Mormons were founded by	*
5. Brigham Young moved the Mormons west to	*
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