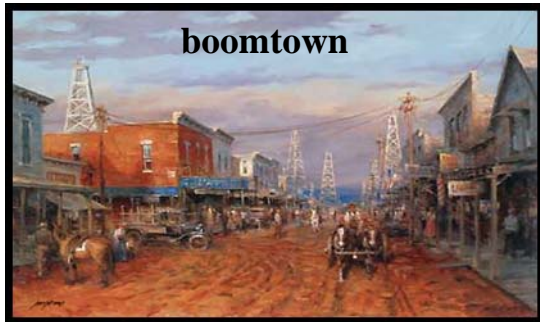


### Westward Expansion (Activity A)

Directions: Circle the answer you agree with in the column marked *before*. We are going to answer these questions again after the lesson.



boomtown






sod house

Do you think...

before		after
yes no	1. Do you think it was a <b>pleasant</b> trip in a covered wagon  ?	yes no
yes no	2. Do you think it was <b>foolish</b> for people to go to California and dig  for gold  ?	yes no

If you lived in the year 1850...

before		after
boomtown sod house	3. Where would you live?	boomtown sod house
cowboy miner farmer	4. What would be your <b>occupation</b> ?  cowboy  miner  farmer	cowboy miner farmer
yes no	5. Would you move out west?	yes no

Glossary

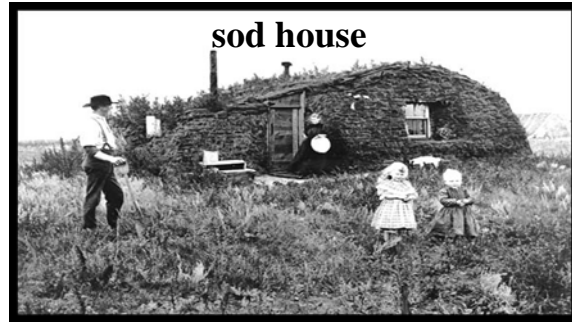
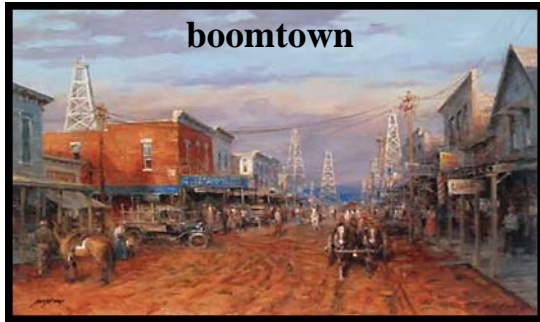
**foolish**- Something that is foolish is not wise. It was foolish to go outside without a jacket in the snowstorm.

**pleasant**- Something that is pleasant is enjoyable and fun. I had a pleasant day at the park with my friends.


**occupation**- An occupation is a job. Teaching is the occupation of my mother.

### Westward Expansion (Activity B)




Directions: Directions: Circle the answer you agree with in the column marked *before*. We are going to answer these questions again after the lesson.



Do you think...

before		after
yes no	1. Do you think it was a <b>pleasant</b> journey out west in a covered wagon  ?	yes no
yes no	2. Do you think it was <b>foolish</b> for people to go to California in the hopes of finding gold?	yes no

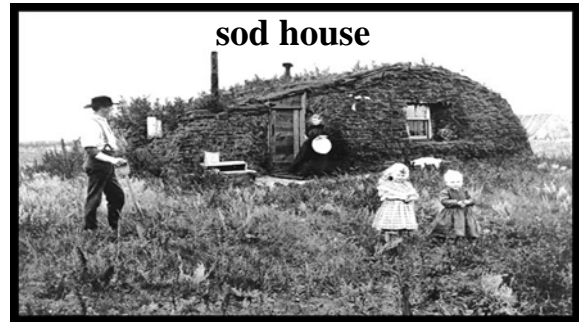
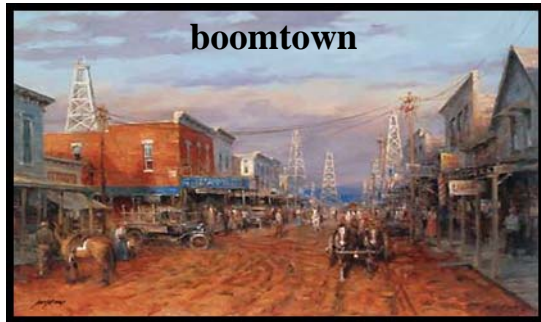
If you lived in the year 1850...

before		after
boomtown sod house	3. Would you have lived in a boomtown or a sod house?	boomtown sod house
cowboy miner farmer	4. What would have been your <b>occupation</b> ?   	cowboy miner farmer
yes no	5. Would you have moved out west?	yes no

Did you know?  
The journey out west took most people four to six months! Many people used the **Oregon Trail** to move out west. The trail goes over mountains and across rivers in six states: Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, and Oregon.

**Westward Expansion (Activity C)**

Directions: Directions: Write your answer in the column marked **before**. We are going to answer these questions again after the lesson.



before		after
	1. Do you think it was a pleasant journey out west in a covered wagon?	
	2. Do you think it was foolish for people to go to California in the hopes of finding gold?	
	3. If you live in the year 1890, would you have preferred to live in a boomtown or a sod house?	
	4. If you lived in the year 1890, what would have been your occupation?  A. cowboy B. miner C. farmer	
	5. Would you have moved out west?	

List up to five things you already know about the West in the 1850s:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.