**Westward Expansion and The Homestead Act:**

**Guided Notes**

**America in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

* No major \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ went West
* Traveling West was extremely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_– 2-3 Months by land (Native American Resistance)
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Months by boat, All the way around \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Westward Expansion**

**Factors that Contributed to Westward Expansion:**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Discovered in California
* Homestead Act of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Transcontinental \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Manifest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:**

* The west was viewed as the great untapped \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Manifest Destiny: Americans believed it was their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ duty to conquer the Western territories and unify the Nation spreading \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Territorial Expansion of the U.S.:**

* 1803 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_ Texas
* 1848 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming, California, Nevada, and Utah
* By 1850, America gains the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Territory



**Gold Rush & the American Dream:**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gold Discovered in California
* Thousands of Americans head West lured by the idea of becoming \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**The Oregon Trail:**

* The only way West by land was via the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ route
* Dangerous and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ /Donner Party

**The Homestead Act**

**The Homestead Act of 1862:**

* The U.S. Government \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the West
* 1862 Homestead Act: Millions of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_were given away free in the West to anyone that would claim land and live on it for \_\_\_\_\_\_ years. Requirements:
  + \_\_\_\_ Years Old
  + Head of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + American \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ basis
* Could purchase up to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Other Public land was sold for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_