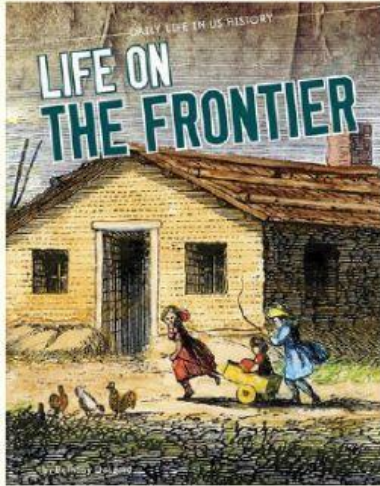


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Life on the Frontier

When the _____ arrived at their destination they began to work. They began to build a home and plant crops. The home was usually made of logs. It was called a log **cabin**. It was a small home with one or two rooms. The settlers made the furniture. They used _____ to make tables, chairs and beds.

Men, women and children planted crops. Corn and **wheat** were important _____.

The **settlers** ate a lot of corn. The men hunted buffalo and other animals. Men, women and children worked all day. There was little free time.



There were no _____ on the **frontier**. The settlers bought some things from Fort Laramie and Fort Bridger. Some women brought a **spinning wheel** to the frontier. These women made **yarn**. They used yarn to make clothes.

Illness was a big danger on the frontier. There were no _____, few doctors and very little medicine! Many people died at a young age.

Most settlers lived far from _____. When they wanted to get married, they waited for the "circuit rider". The "circuit rider" was a **religious** man. He traveled on the frontier. Settlers often waited _____ for the "**circuit rider**".



Who were the frontier people? The frontier people came from the East, the South and the Indiana Territory. They also came from Europe, Scandinavia and China! Most settlers were _____ people but some were **outlaws**. Some of them wanted **excitement** and adventure.

Frontier people were strong and **courageous**. They loved the **freedom** and adventure of the frontier. They were true American free spirits.

Villages and towns began to grow on the frontier. Some became _____ cities.



Read the sentences and fill in the missing information.

1. The first houses built on the frontier were made out of _____.
2. Their crops consisted mostly of corn and _____.
3. The women made yarn using _____.
4. The greatest danger in the frontier was _____.
5. Many people died _____.
6. The people living on the frontier waited for the circuit rider to marry them because _____.
7. The circuit rider was a _____ man.
8. People came from all over the world, some were honest, but others were _____.
9. The frontier people were true _____.

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