

Unit 4

Vocabulary and Reading



Read.

The American pioneers



A hundred years ago many people travelled across America. They needed houses and fields. They were pioneers. A pioneer does something first. These people travelled across America first.

They stopped near a river. They needed wood and water. They used axes and they chopped down trees. The horses pulled the logs with ropes. The men lifted one log on top of another log. These were the walls of their house.



Inside there were two rooms. In one room there was a fire. The women cooked food in big pots. The children helped. They picked up wood for the fire. They fetched water from the river.



There were not many toys. The girls skipped with a rope. The boys played skittles. All the children played a game with a cup and a ball. You can make this game, too.

Answer the questions. Use short answers.

- 1 What did the pioneers need? _____
- 2 What did the pioneers do first? _____
- 3 What did the horses do? _____
- 4 How many rooms were there inside the house? _____
- 5 Who cooked the food? _____
- 6 What did the children do? _____
- 7 What did the girls do? _____
- 8 What did the boys do? _____

Complete the sentences.

- 1 The pioneers travelled across _____.
- 2 There were _____ rooms in the house.
- 3 In one room there was a _____.
- 4 There were not many _____.

**Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box.
Use the past tense (verb 2/-ed).**

cook need pull fetch lift

- 1 The children _____ water from the river.
- 2 The pioneers _____ houses and fields.
- 3 The horses _____ the logs.
- 4 The men _____ the logs.
- 5 The women _____ the food.

Write the word.

axe wool scissors wood string rope



1 _____



2 _____



3 _____



4 _____



5 _____



6 _____