Unit 6A Gap Fill

In 1848, James W. Marshall found gold in California which drove Americans crazy in what is called the _____. People dreamed of finding gold and they chose to leave the east coast to go west to _____the opportunity to get rich. As California was a new part of America, it was a new _____for many as very few people lived there. Every _____ or person going to California had to travel by land or sea and became _____ in their new land.

People set up their new homes and they would _____ new towns to accommodate all the new people coming west to find gold. This saw a massive _____in the population of people living in California. To shorten the journey from east to west, the government organized _____to build a large railroad so that it was faster to cross the country.

Although the gold rush was short lived, the settlers needed land that wasn't originally theirs so they forced the Native Americans that lived there onto a_____ which was a small piece of land. With the gold gone and people living on large areas of land, people chose to work in _____where they raised cattle for food and sold to local markets.

Reservation	Gold Rush	Establish
Construction	Explore	Expansion
Settler	Ranching	Frontier
Individual		

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