DAILY Warm-Up 10

Name _____ Date _____

WESTWARD, HO!

The size of the country was growing quickly. People were in search of land. Upon arriving in America, many headed west to settle. They were called pioneers. Pioneers were the first people to settle an area. The pioneers came across the mountains looking for good land.

Pioneers came by the thousands. Some traveled down the Ohio River, while others came down the Mississippi River. They traveled on flatboats. The flatboats could go through shallow places in the river without getting stuck. When enough people arrived, that state was given statehood. Kentucky and Indiana became states during this time.

As more and more people moved west, they encountered Indians. The Indians were not happy with the intruders. Tensions grew as the pioneers looked for new land and the Indians worked to keep their land.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. People wanted to move west to take advantage of the . . .
   a. specific resources in the area.
   b. assignments they were given.
   c. land available to settle.
   d. opportunity to meet the Native Americans living there.

2. Another title for this reading passage could be . . .
   a. "Westward Returns Eastward."
   b. "Problems of Immigration."
   c. "Confronting the Indians."
   d. "Moving Westward."

3. What is the main idea of the passage?
   a. Pioneers traveled westward in search of good land.
   b. Indians were not happy with the pioneers.
   c. Pioneers were famous explorers.
   d. People moving west were looking for gold.

4. The flatboats were ideal because . . .
   a. they could carry a large load.
   b. they could maneuver through shallow parts of the river.
   c. they were more stable on the river.
   d. they were an inexpensive way to travel.

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