

# WebQuest: The Lewis and Clark Expedition

Visit Ms. G's webpage ( <http://ptmsgiaquinto.weebly.com> ). Place your cursor over the "Chapter Calendars" heading, go down to "The Jeffersonian Era" heading, and click on the subpage named "WebQuest." Use the links to complete the handout.

**PRE-TEST:** What score did you earn on your Pre-Test? \_\_\_\_\_ **out of 10**

*Keep a lookout for the answers to these questions as you progress through the WebQuest.*

## **STEP ONE: To Equip an Expedition**

1. Name two of the educational areas that Meriwether Lewis studied before leaving on his expedition
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCUSS:** Which of these areas do you believe would be most useful on your journey? (Choose one!)

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2. How much money did Congress budget for Lewis' Expedition? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name one of the mathematical tools they brought with them. \_\_\_\_\_  
Explain why they would want to have this tool with them on their expedition.

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4. Review the packing list of Camp Supplies.

**DISCUSS:** Which item/tool would your group consider to be the most important? Why? (Choose one!)

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## **STEP TWO: Meet the Team**

5. Provide one reason why Meriweather Lewis was a good choice to lead the expedition.

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Provide one limitation (negative) Lewis had.

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6. Provide one reason why William Clark was a good choice to lead the expedition.

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Provide one limitation (negative) Clark had.

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7. What occupation did Toussaint Charbonneau have? \_\_\_\_\_

How did that make him useful?

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Who was his wife? Why was she important?

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8. Who was Seaman? \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP THREE: The Route**

9. What present-day states did Lewis and Clark travel through on their expedition?

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10. Which rivers were used on the journey TO the Pacific Ocean?

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Which rivers were used on their journey BACK to Washington D.C.?

**STEP FOUR: Slave Statue**

11. What was the name of the slave that accompanied Lewis and Clark on the journey? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Why was this statue of the slave created?

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13. What is the name of the statue's sculptor? \_\_\_\_\_

14. What skills did the slave have that earned him Lewis' respect?

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15. How did he die? \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP FIVE: Sacagawea**

16. Read the article about Sacagawea. Finish the thesis statement explaining why she was the reason Lewis and Clark had a successful expedition.

**Sacagawea was vital (important) to the success of the Lewis and Clark expedition because...**

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**STEP SIX: Animals**

17. What did Lewis and Clark call the Black-Tailed Prairie Dogs? “\_\_\_\_\_”

18. How did they share their fascination of this animal with President Thomas Jefferson?

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**STEP SEVEN: Lewis' Journal**

19. Using the entry, describe and name of the popular game that the Shoshone Indians played.

20. List two English mistakes that Lewis made in his journal entry.

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**STEP EIGHT: America-The Story of Us**

21. How much President Thomas Jefferson pay per acre for the Louisiana Territory? \_\_\_\_\_

22. What did they discover to be the West's most valuable commodity? \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP NINE: Reflection**

Analyze Lewis and Clark's Expedition. Was it successful? Why or why not? Did they meet their goals? Provide evidence to support your answer.

Predict how the Expedition of Lewis and Clark will affect the future of the United States. How will this change what life in America will be like following their expedition?