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Grade 4 Social Studies Worksheet - Challenge Me

Name _____ Date _____

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   A map drawn by an explorer on his own trip.
   A chart in a book that sums up how many settlers came by wagon.

2. A school play about the first Thanksgiving.
   A website biography of a scientist, written by a writer.
   A quilt sewn by a pioneer family in 1860.

3. A history magazine's article about the Wright brothers' flight.
   A teacher's slide show about the Oregon Trail.
   A poster from the 1925 county fair.

4. A model of a Roman road built by a class.
   A book about life on the frontier, written by a teacher.
   A journal kept by a lighthouse keeper in 1890.

5. A documentary film made in 2015 about the 1920s.
   A recipe card in a grandmother's own handwriting from 1950.
   A cartoon made today about the Boston Tea Party.

6. A ticket stub from the first school play, kept since 1975.
   A news special looking back on a flood from ten years ago.
   A song written last year about the railroad workers of long ago.

7. A guidebook that describes an old fort's history.
   A magazine article about the 1906 earthquake, written in 2020.
   A diary entry a soldier wrote the night before a battle.

8. A recording of a speech, made on the day it was given.
   A movie about knights, made in 2018.
   A paragraph in a library book about how the pyramids were built.

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