Westward Expansion

Grade 5 Social Studies Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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   settlers Native nations the U.S. government

2. Built sod houses on the plains.
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3. Wrote letters back home about the trip.
   settlers Native nations the U.S. government

4. Signed treaties such as the Fort Laramie Treaty.
   settlers Native nations the U.S. government

5. Lived on the Great Plains and hunted bison.
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6. Started new towns along the trail.
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7. Surveyed and mapped western lands.
   settlers Native nations the U.S. government

8. Left homes in the East to start new lives.
   settlers Native nations the U.S. government

9. Used the Homestead Act to claim 160 acres.
   settlers Native nations the U.S. government

10. Raised cattle and planted wheat on the Great Plains.
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