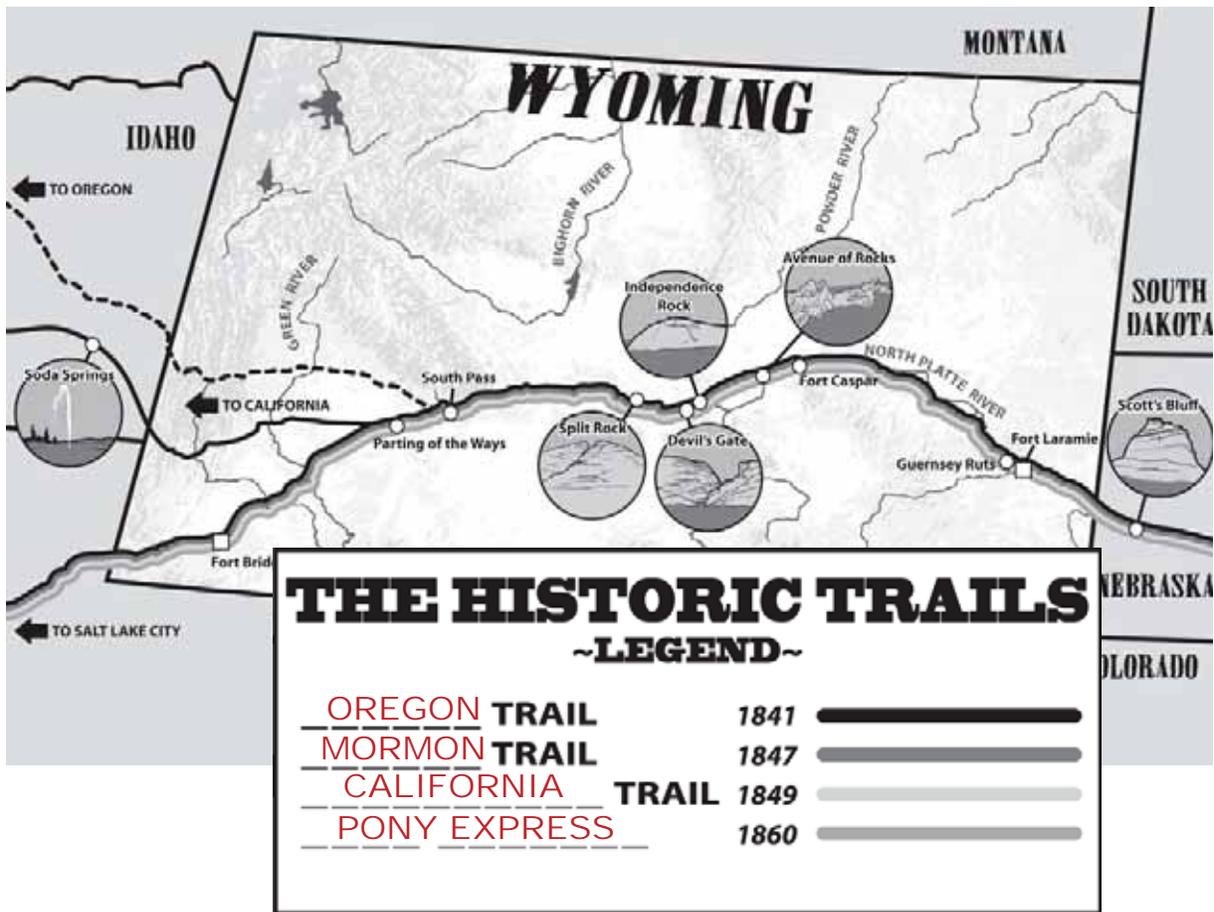


# NHTIC Junior Explorer Pioneer Program Children's Activity Book Answer Key

Fill in the blanks. (Page 2)

EX P L O R E  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ today!

Label the trails on the legend. (Page 3)



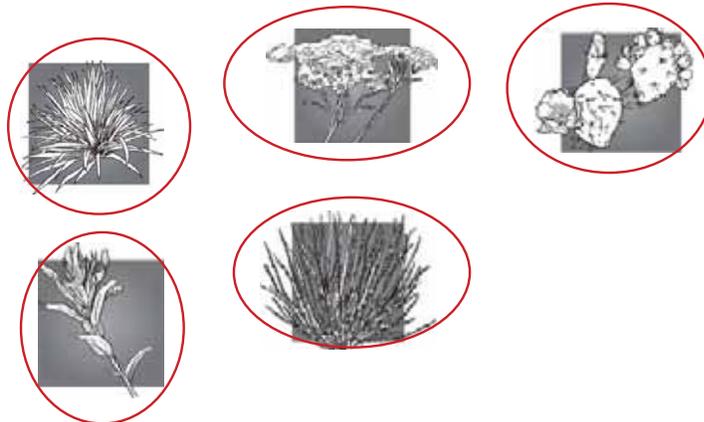
What would motivate you to walk 2,000 miles? (Page 3)

Example: I would walk to discover gold.

Crossword Answers. (Page 4) Each plant is viewable at the Center. (Page 5)

Across:

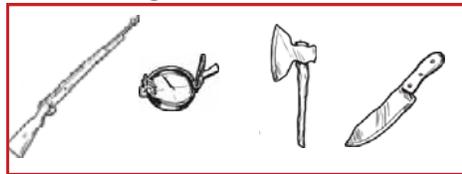
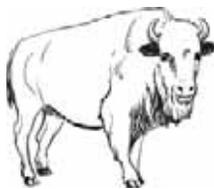
- 3. pemmican
- 5. tipi
- 6. buffalo soldier
- 7. buffalo jump
- 8. scraper



Down:

- 1. horn
- 2. bison
- 3. Plains Indians
- 4. sinew

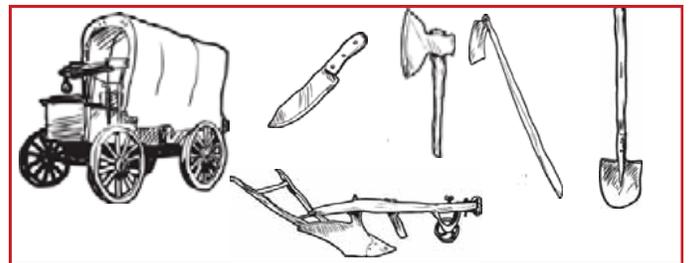
Tools of Trade. (Page 7)



Decoder. (Page 6)



O	R	E	G	O	N
17	15	1	23	17	24



M	O	R	M	O	N
20	17	15	20	17	24



C	A	L	I	F	O	R	N	I	A
22	3	5	19	18	17	15	24	19	3



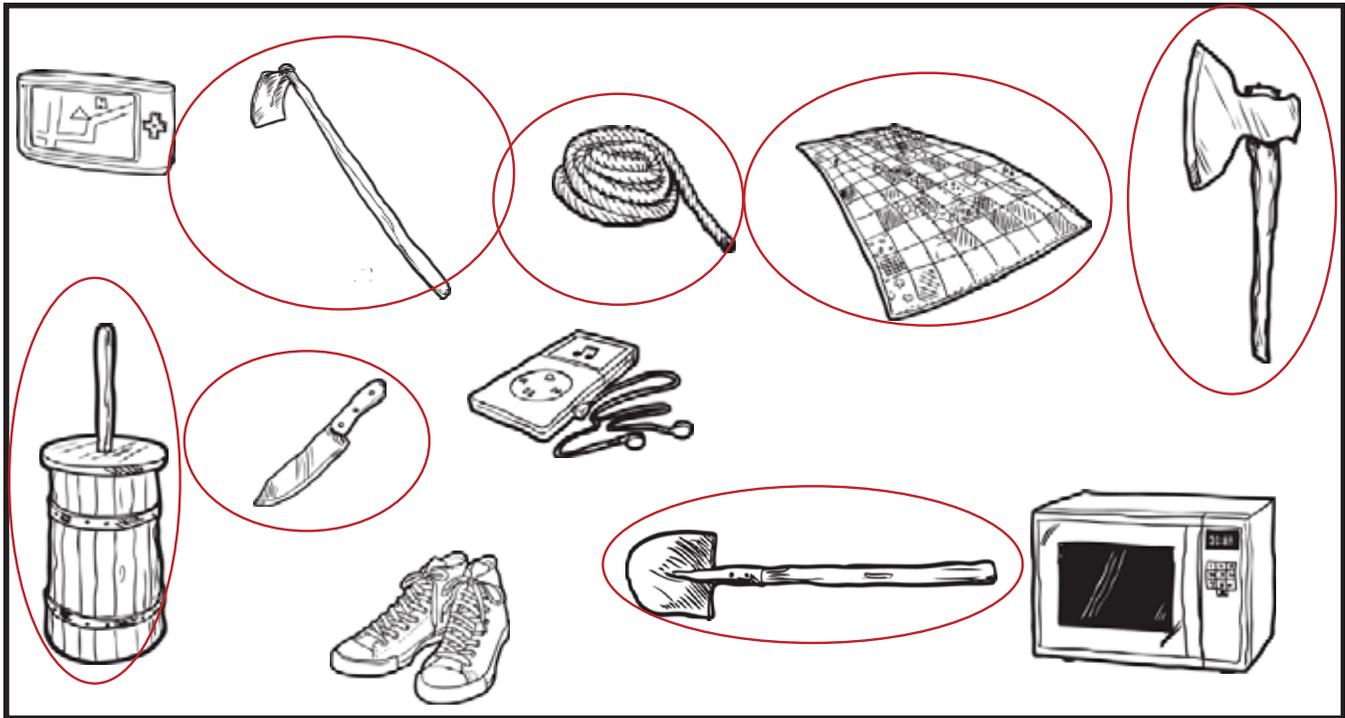
P	O	N	Y
16	17	24	6

E	X	P	R	E	S	S
1	10	16	15	1	4	4



B	O	Z	E	M	A	N
7	17	11	1	20	3	24

Packing. (Page 8)



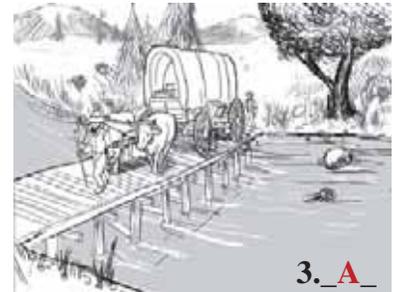
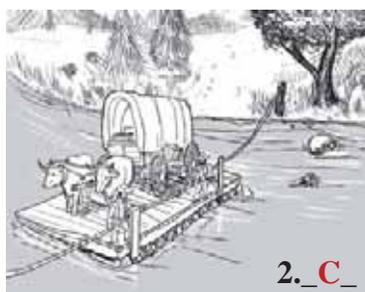
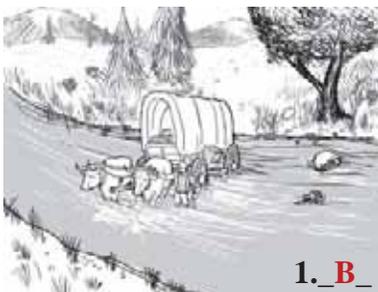
Food Supply List. (Page 8)

Flour	_____ Sugar _____	_____ Rice _____
Bacon	_____ Cornmeal _____	_____ Salt _____
Beans	_____ Lard _____	_____ Dried Fruits _____

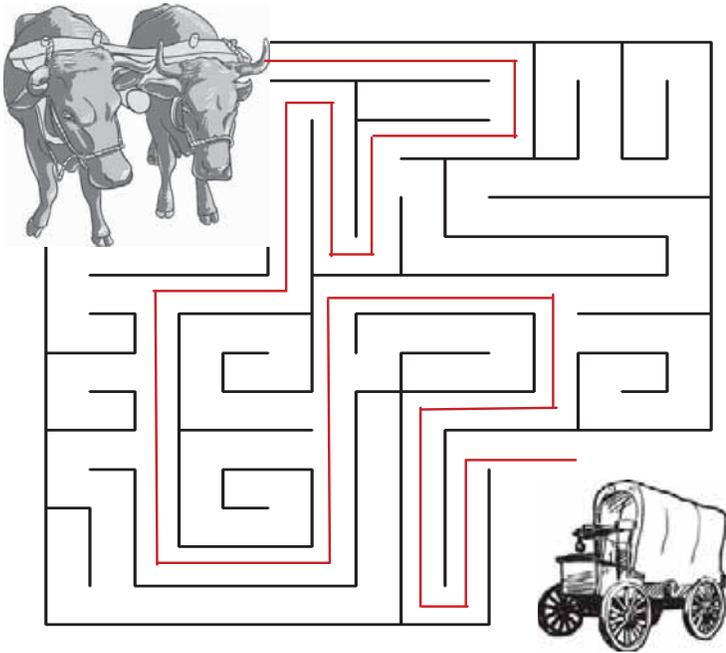
Breakfast example. (Page 9) Toast and Eggs

I would make a fire with sticks and matches. I will need eggs, flour, water, yeast, and butter. I will go to the farm and search for eggs. I will find wild wheat and grind it for flour. I will walk to the river for water. I will make flat bread and not use yeast. I will milk the cow and make butter. I will cook the flour and water mixture on a hot flat rock. I will boil the eggs for one minute in water. I will spread butter on the flat bread and break the egg on top.

Match the Date. (Page 10)



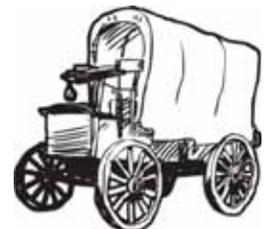
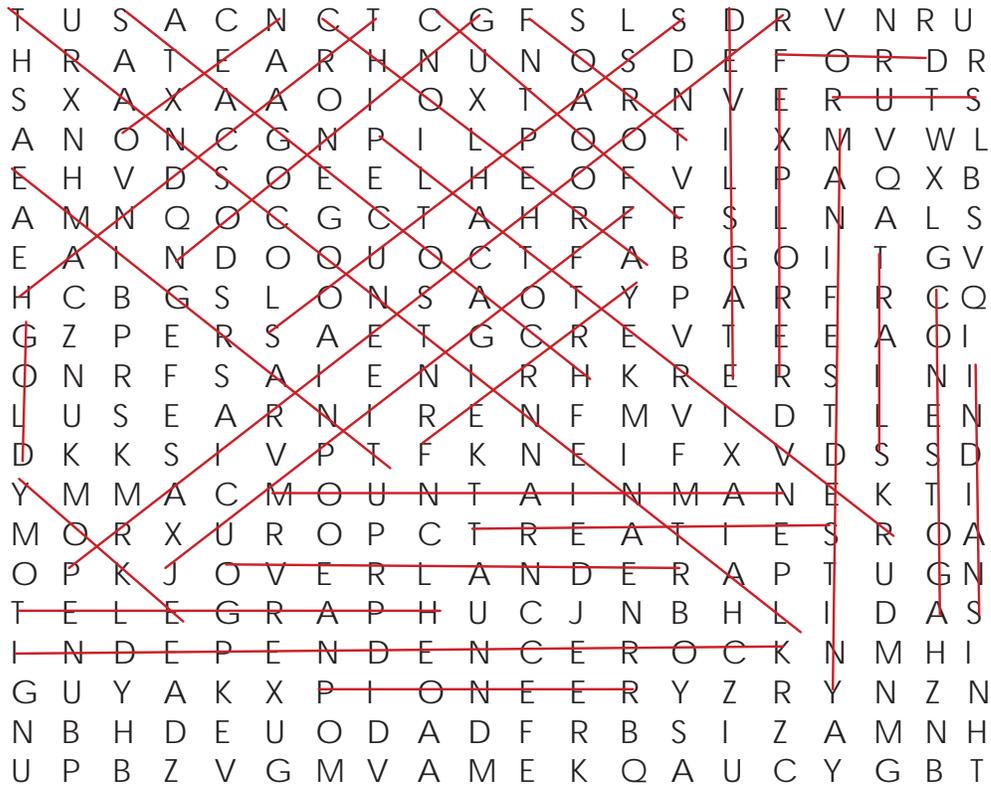
Maze. (Page 11)



Oxen commands. (Page 11)

- Stop Whoa      Right Gee
- Move Giddy up      Left Haw

Trail vocabulary word search. (Page 13)



Name example. (Page 15)

Sam = ●●● ●\_ \_ \_

Message example. (Page 15)

Have a nice day.

●●●● ●\_ ●●●\_ ● ●\_ \_● ●● \_●\_●\_ ●  
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Journal. (Page 12)

DATE July 4, 2012

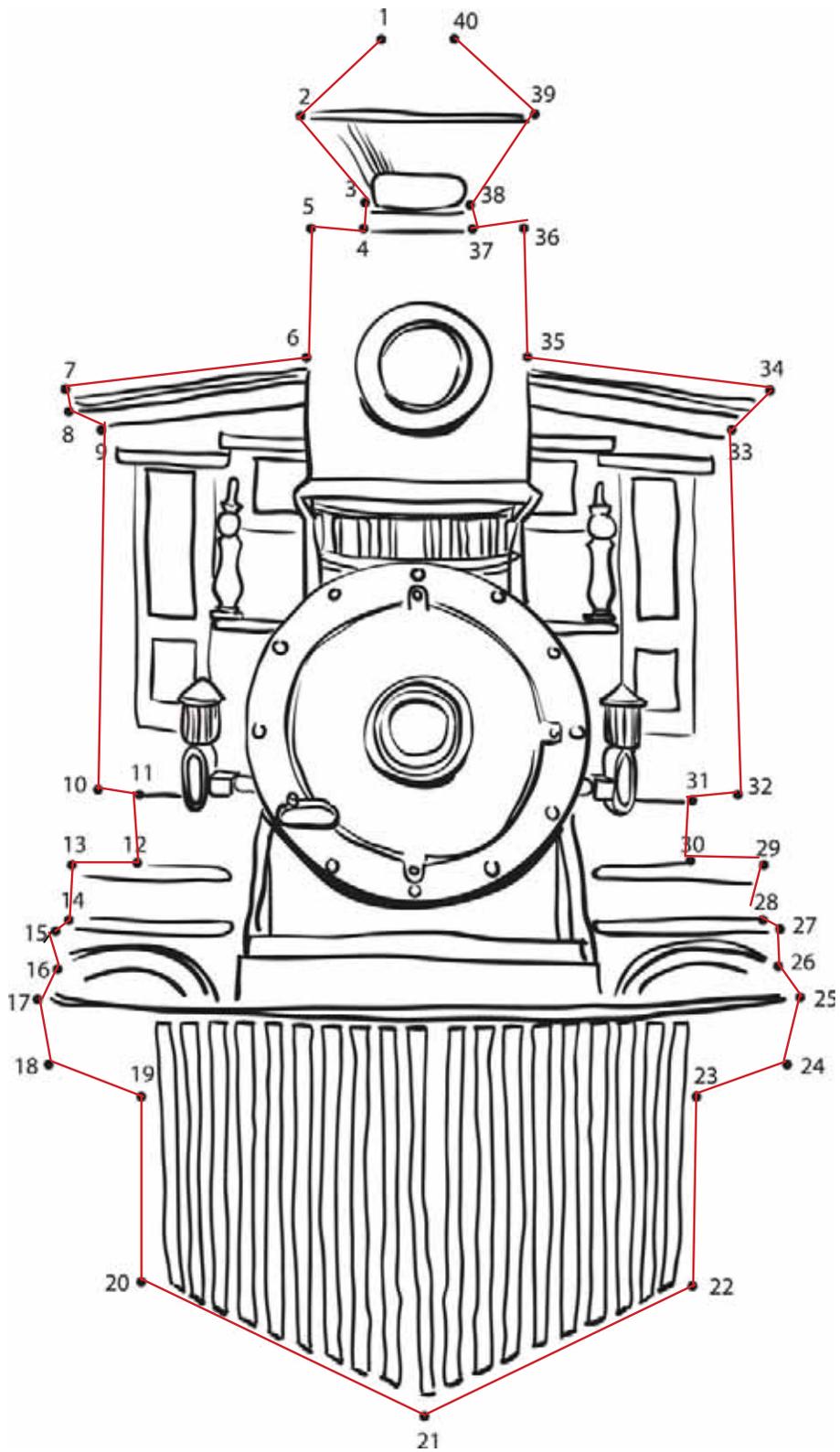
LOCATION Casper, WY

Today I visited the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center with my family. I rode in a wagon and a stagecoach. I tried to push a handcart, but it was too difficult for me. My brother helped me. Together we made it work.

Life as a pioneer sure looks hard. I couldn't imagine cooking over a campfire or having no electricity. How would I call my friends?

Grandma says I would get used to it and would spend the days playing with friends instead of talking to them on the phone. Maybe life as a pioneer would be okay.

Connect the dots. (Page 16)



## Vocabulary List

<b>Auspicious</b>	good, favorable
<b>Cholera</b>	an infectious disease causing severe diarrhea, vomiting and muscle cramps that often leads to death on the trail
<b>Conestoga</b>	an old heavy farm wagon
<b>Cut-off</b>	route believed to be a short-cut
<b>Devil's Gate</b>	historic site in Wyoming; a gorge on the Sweetwater river, located near Independence Rock
<b>Elated</b>	happy; excited
<b>Emigrant</b>	a person who leaves their country to settle in another
<b>Explorer</b>	person who travels to unknown places to discover new things
<b>Ferry</b>	a raft used to transport things across water
<b>Flapjack</b>	pancake
<b>Ford</b>	to walk across a river
<b>Fort</b>	military post
<b>Gold</b>	precious metal found in California
<b>Handcart</b>	a small wheeled vehicle pushed/ pulled by hand
<b>Independence Rock</b>	historic trail site in central Wyoming; large rounded granite rock
<b>Indians</b>	term for Native Americans in the 1800's
<b>Jumping-off</b>	starting point where emigrants began their wagon journey west
<b>Manifest Destiny</b>	the belief that the United States should extend from east to west coast
<b>Mountain man</b>	trappers and explorers who roamed the Rocky Mountains
<b>Nooning</b>	a rest period taken at the lunch break

**Overlander** people traveling west over land  
**Oxen** draft animals trained to pull a wagon  
**Pioneer** someone who moves to an unknown territory to settle  
**Prospect** chance that something good will happen in the future  
**Platte River** river pioneers followed from Nebraska to Wyoming  
**Prairie schooner** a narrow covered wagon used to cross North America  
**Ruts** grooves carved into rock by wagon wheels  
**Scarce** rare; or insufficient  
**South Pass** the pass through the Rocky Mountains located in Wyoming  
**Stagecoach** horse drawn carriage  
**Telegraph** wires used for communicating long distances  
**Trails** paths  
**Transcontinental** crossing the continent  
**Treaties** formal contracts or agreements negotiated between political entities  
**Yoke** a pair of draft animals