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THE OREGON TRAIL



PART 1: List some of the reasons why people wanted to migrate west in the mid-1800s.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

PART 2: Create an advertisement to convince people to take the Oregon Trail and move west. Choose one or more of the reasons you listed in part 1 to highlight in your advertisement.



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PART 3: Imagine you are a pioneer traveling with your family on the Oregon Trail. Write a letter describing the conditions of the journey to a friend back home. What is it like to live in a covered wagon? How do you feel? What are you doing every day for fun?

