



From Ocean to Ocean

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The Chapter in Brief

Fill in the blanks to form a summary of Chapter 14 in AMERICA IS.

In the 1800's, the United States expanded across the North American continent. The Louisiana Territory was explored, first by the _____ expedition and then by Lieutenant _____. Reports describing the Great Plains as the _____ discouraged settlement for a long time. Fur trappers such as _____ and _____ helped early settlers to cross the _____ Mountains to reach the Pacific coast. Many Americans felt certain that they would take over everything from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean. Their belief was known as _____.

Some American settlers moved northwest into the _____ Country. During the 1840's, the route by wagon train from Independence, Missouri, to the northwest became known as the _____. Most Americans living in the northwest settled south of the _____ River. Because this territory was claimed by both _____ and _____, there were many years of disputes.

Other Americans moved southwest into lands governed by _____. Southern cotton growers, in search of more fertile land, settled in the Gulf states of _____, _____, and _____. By the 1820's, they moved into the region of _____. By the 1830's there were _____ American settlers in the former Spanish lands. In 1835, American settlers led by _____ rebelled against the rule of General _____. The American settlers won the Battle of _____ and achieved their independence from Mexico.

After Texas became a state, Mexico broke off relations with the United States. When conflict grew between the two countries over the Texas-Mexico border, both countries sent

military forces to take up positions on either side of the _____ . After several attacks by both sides, the American _____ declared war on Mexico in 1846. The United States defeated Mexico and the war ended with the Treaty of _____ . Mexico gave up the territories of _____ and _____ . In return, the United States paid Mexico _____ dollars. One reason the western lands filled up with Americans was the discovery of _____ in California in the year _____ .

The movement of Europeans and Americans into western lands caused changes in the lives of _____ . The Spaniards introduced the first _____ which allowed Indians to hunt _____ more effectively and travel over larger areas of land. One of the most important new products introduced by traders was the _____ . As more settlers moved into the West, Indians lost more of their _____ . The Indians tried to keep control of their property by signing _____ with the United States government. This made it possible for the government to restrict Indians to certain areas of land called _____ .