Subject: Social Studies	Timeframe Needed for Completion: 4 weeks
Grade Level: Fifth Grade	
Unit Title: Westward Expansion	Grading Period: 3 rd
Big Idea/Theme: Growing Power	
Understandings:	
• Environmental challenges are often resolved the	
	affect a region (culturally, politically, and economically)
	nfluenced by factors such as a desire for wealth or scarcity of resources.
	nic growth, political systems, and social structures due to geographic and cultural diversity.
Essential Questions:	Curriculum Goals/Objectives:
*What events, people, and places motivated the expansion of the United States?	5.G.1.3 Exemplify how technological advances (communication, transportation and agriculture) have allowed
*How did the movement of people shape our nation's	people to overcome geographic limitations. 5.E.1.2 Explain the impact of production, specialization, technology and division of labor on the economic
economic growth, political systems, and social	growth of the United States.
structures due to geographic and cultural diversity?	5.C.1.3 Explain how the movement of goods, ideas, and various cultural groups influenced the development of
	regions in the United States.
Essential Skills/Vocabulary:	Assessment Task Options:
Pioneer, Manifest Destiny, locomotive,	*Imagine you are a member of a westward expedition (such as Lewis and Clark or The Oregon
Industrial Revolution, and cotton gin	Trail). Write a journal entry from the perspective of a person on the trail through experiences
Unit 2 Lesson 9 of Harcourt SS Text:	explain what their life was like.
Skim & Scan pages 100 & 104	*Research an invention that was developed during the Industrial Revolution in the United
Cause & Effect pages 101 & 102	States. Write an essay describing how the invention worked and why it was important.
Recall & Retell page 101	*Imagine meeting a famous person from this time period. Write a scene for a play about that
Describe page 102	meeting. Explain why it was important.
Compare & Contrast page 104	*Create questions a reporter would ask a famous person from this time period. Write it in
	interview style with answers.
	*If you could invent or update a machine to solve a present day need what would it be, how
	would it work, and why is it needed.
	*Make an advertisement for westward expansion. Choose the format (poster, commercial,
	etc.) to present this advertisement.
Integration Opportunities & Additional Res	sources:
Harcourt Trophies Literature Book (Lewis	
	iption (The Transcontinental Railroad Level X) (Westward Journey Level Y) (The Story of
	rer Level Y) (The Story of Lewis and Clark Book 2: To the Pacific Ocean Level Y)
www.schooltube.com (Westward Trails (2min	:37sec) Oregon, Mormon, Santa Fe, etc.) (Lewis and Clark (2min:11sec) read the text) (Lewis
and Clark (3min:40sec) narrated)	

www.smarttech.com Smart Board Downloads (Louisiana Purchase and Lewis & Clark) (Mountain Men 3 w/?s at the end) (Colorado Gold Rush w/?s at the end)

www.eharcourtschool.com primary sources (art/The Lewis and Clark Journey Log) (art/Lewis and Clark: The National Bicentennial Exhibition) (art/Lewis and Clark:PBS) (art/Louisiana Purchase) (documents/American Folklore [legends, tall tales, etc.]) (documents/Century

of Lawmaking: The Louisiana Purchase Legislative Timeline) (letters/(War of 1812) The National Center: The Burning of Washington by Dolley Madison) (paintings/Art of the Gold Rush) (documents/Texas State Library and Archive Commission: Texas Treasures: Annexation [Antonio Navarro, Juan Sequin, and slaver])

www.edhelper.com subscription needed (Lewis Clark Sacagawea and Pomp) (Meriwether Lewis)