

OREGON TRAIL PROJECT

The Oregon Trail: The 2,200-mile, east to west trail served as a critical transportation route for emigrants traveling from Missouri to Oregon and other points west during the mid-1800s. Travelers were inspired by dreams of gold and rich farmlands, but they were also motivated by difficult economic times in the east and the diseases like yellow fever and malaria that were decimating the Midwest around 1837. Travelers on this trail faced many hardships.

Tuesday's Directions:

1. Go to <https://classicreload.com/oregon-trail.html>
2. Use the entire class period on Tuesday to play the game
3. While playing the game be sure to **keep notes along your journey**. You will need them to write your summary on Wednesday. You may want to do this on the computer as well. Have one computer for the game and another one for the notes.
4. Be sure to have at least 30 "events" documented in your notes.
 - a. These "events" can be anything from (when you left, details from hunting, trading, deaths, landmarks, disasters)

Wednesday's Directions:

1. You will be using your 30+ notes from yesterday to write a summary or journal entry to document your journey on the Oregon Trail.
2. This doesn't have to be highly detailed, but a brief over view of what happened, how did you react to it, how did it effect you are a few ideas to use for your summary.