

Find the terms listed below in the word search puzzle!

Prairie Schooner: a converted covered wagon used to hold supplies and personal possesions.

Oxen: very sturdy animals needed to pull the wagons for 2,000 miles west.

Independence: this Missouri city was a major starting point for most emigrants.

Oregon Trail: was the main route travelers used to head west.

California Trail: overlapped with the Oregon trail until Idaho, where it headed south.

Mormon Trail: was the other major route of westward migration, usually starting in Illinois.

Whitman: Marcus and Narcissa Whitman were the first to travel to Oregon with a covered wagon in 1836. Dr. Whitman also helped the Great Wagon Train make it to Oregon in 1843.

Astor: Astor Overland Expedition was the first expedition from St. Louis MO to the mouth of the Columbia River, after Lewis and Clark blazed a trail.