

Bellringer: D18

Using your notes, explain:

How did you do in the Gold Rush / Oregon Trail Game? Who did you pick? Were you successful? Explain!

Utah Studies

Passing thru Utah: Fremont & the Oregon Trail

More First Pioneers & Explorers

Review: In 1841, the **Bidwell-Bartleson Party** left Independence, Missouri, looking to settle in California. Rumors of gold, plentiful land, etc., were factors.

They were guided by a mountain man, “**Broken Hand**” Fitzpatrick, all the way to the Salt Lake. They had a white woman, **Nancy Kesley**, a member of the party, is the first white woman known to have entered Utah.

A young adventurer, **John C. Fremont**, aka the “Pathfinder”, did much to explore the West, including Utah, and soon followed (see next slide)



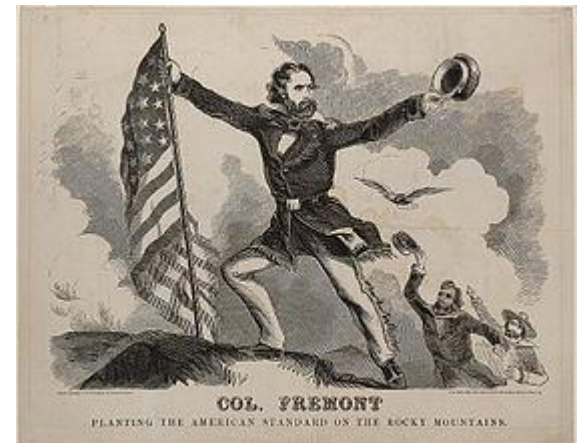
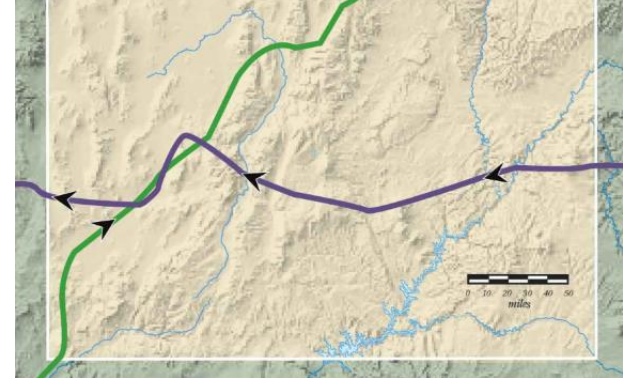
John C. Fremont's Other Expeditions

Fremont engaged in actually 4 main expeditions in the West, exploring what would be Utah several times.

After returning from California during his **2nd expedition (1843-1844)**, where he mapped out the Oregon Trail, and spend some time in Northern Utah, he returned again on his **3rd Expedition (1845)**.

He explored the Provo River, as well as the future sight of Salt Lake City. Then, they traveled westward across the Salt Flats to **Pilot Peak**, a tall mountain on the **Utah-Nevada Border** that guided them across the desert. They then continued on to California.

During his **4th Expedition, in 1853**, he again returned to Utah, this time looking to map out a route for a **Transcontinental Railroad**. By this time, Mormon settlements dotted the area. Eventually he settled down in California, and was elected a **senator** and even **ran for President**.



The Oregon Trail

As mentioned in the video, the Pacific Coast and California offered ample land, as well as potential riches, to those that dared make the journey. Some were successful, but many were not. [VID](#)

HW: Remainder of class, you have several options:

You should definitely work on your **Passing Thru Utah** project, which is due as a **draft** next time, **T1D19**. I recommend you start with this!

You can also work on your **California Gold Rush** assignment, but this is easily done by yourself.

Or, you can get together as partners and play the original **Oregon Trail** game that I played at your age (worksheet **due next time**) Good luck, and make sure to fill out the worksheet as you progress!