

HW D6: The Oregon Trail Deluxe Game Worksheet (Due: D8 - 30 pts)



Growing up, one of my favorite games in elementary school was the original Oregon Trail game. I loved that I could pretend to be a pioneer, and in a small way experience what the settlers went through while trying to travel westward. Over 25 years later, this game's still got it! Check it out here, and fill out the following worksheet as you do:

https://archive.org/details/msdos_Oregon_Trail_Deluxe_The_1992

1. Why were Americans traveling to the Oregon Country?
2. What are some of the items that you purchased at the general store before setting out on the trail? Why?
3. What is a yoke? How many did you buy? Why?
4. Where are you starting off from?
5. What month did you choose to start your trip? Why did you choose this particular month?
6. Who did you pick to be when asked between the several people with different trades/jobs? Why did you pick this person?

NAME _____ PERIOD / CLASS _____ DATE _____

7. What was one geographical challenge you faced while on the trail?

8. What was one biological challenge you faced while on the trail?

9. Did anyone in your party die, or get sick? Describe what happened!

10. What was the worst decision you made as a player of this game? How did this decision impact your progress? Answer in at least 2 complete sentences:

11. How does this game simulate what early settlers went through trying to get to the Oregon Country? Answer in at least 2 complete sentences:

12. If you were alive during this time period would you have risked your lives on the Oregon Trail to make it to the Oregon Country? Answer in at least 2 complete sentences:

*EC: Finally, for fun, check out the following Oregon Trail parody: https://youtu.be/D4zKD1I_pv8
Why was it funny? What about the parody was realistic? What was exaggerated?*