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Hidden gems and buried features within EBSCO
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Oregon Trail

Title: Oregon Trail. By: Leeming, Susan Jones, Salem Press Primary Encyclopedia, January, 2015

Database: Topic Overviews K-5

Oregon Trail

Last reviewed: February 2015

The Oregon Trail goes from Missouri to Oregon. From the 1840s to the 1860s, thousands of people took the Oregon Trail to go to the western part of the United States. They went west to start a new life.

The Pioneers

In the 1840s, the first pioneers started traveling west to Oregon. The pioneers were the first group of white Americans to move to and live in the western part of the United States. The pioneers headed west because they heard that there was a lot of good land there. They traveled west on the Oregon Trail.

The Oregon Trail was 2,000 miles long. It began in Independence, Missouri. It went west through the plains — the wide, flat land of the United States. The trail followed the Platte River, went through the Rocky Mountains, and passed through Fort Laramie, Wyoming. A fort is an army base. The pioneers rested at the fort. They bought more supplies, or things they needed for the trip.

The Oregon Trail continued west through the Blue Mountains and ended at the Columbia River in Oregon.

The Covered Wagon

To travel on the Oregon Trail, pioneers built covered wagons made of wood. The wagons were very small, about 10 feet by 4 feet. Pioneer families put everything that they needed for their trip and for their new life in the wagon. They brought food, clothes, blankets, dishes, furniture, and more on the trip. One or more oxen pulled the wagon. Oxen are like cows. The people and the other animals walked next to the wagons.
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NoveList Plus Scavenger Hunt

Heard about NoveList Plus? If so, this scavenger hunt will be a cake walk! If not, it will help you learn how to use NoveList Plus to find good books — both fiction and nonfiction, for school and reading for fun.

First ask your librarian or teacher to help you log in. Follow along with this guide on your computer, and make sure to answer all of the questions.

The NoveList Plus homepage will look like the image shown here.

1) Take a look at the homepage. Click on your age group from the “I’m in the mood for books that are...” section. List one of the appeal word combinations from the tabs above the list of books:

For the appeal word combination listed above, list one of books displayed that matches these terms:

2) Near the top of the homepage you’ll see the Search box. This is where you type in keywords, a title, an audiobook or a series or author name to begin your search to find books. Let’s say that you saw the Mockingjay movie, and now you’re curious to read the book. Select Title from the drop-down menu beside the

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Appeal Scavenger Hunt in NoveList Plus

Here’s a fun way to learn more about appeal terms in NoveList Plus. Try using the search tags listed in the side bar and NoveList’s Guide to Appeal to find the books described in the scenarios.

1. Find a very tame romance for a teen reader (HiNT: Check out the tone appeal terms).
2. Find a book that is witty and is appropriate for both Teen and Adult readers.
3. Find a book with a blue cover that has an unreliable narrator.
4. Find a book that kids would be able to see from across the room in storytime.

Search Tags
Get to your results faster using NoveList’s field codes.

AP
Searches all categories of appeal to find books with a particular appeal factor. For example, enter “AP Approachable” in the search box.

NoveList Appeal Scavenger Hunt

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Focuses on the NoveList Appeals Tagging system and search tools

The Secret Language of Books

The guide to NoveList Appeals
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The Appeal Mixer can be found on the NoveList home page, below the "I'm in a the mood for..." area.

Pick some appeals to get started.
You can refine search results by appeal using tools found in the sidebar on the search results page.
Finding Plays in Primary and Middle Search Plus

Searching: Primary Search | Choose Databases

(DE "CHILDREN'S plays") OR (DE "SCRIPTS")

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Select term, then add to search using: OR  Add

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D. Multiply the previous term by 3, then add 1.

Answer Explanation
This is the correct answer. This rule accurately describes the relationship between every pair of consecutive terms in the sequence.

Topic: Apply and extend previous understandings of arithmetic to algebraic expressions.
Subtopic: Write, read, and evaluate algebraic expressions
Standard: CCSS.Math.Content.6.EE.A.2

Common Core topic, subtopic and standard are explained with each answer explanation.
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In the Spotlight
August
Later School Day Start Time
The issue of school day start times has been the subject of intense debate within the United States educational system with concern about the issue focusing on the start times of schools serving adolescent students. Proponents of such changes continue to point to scientific studies on adolescent sleep needs,
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Use the Curriculum Standards search to find standards relevant to your grade, state and subject...

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- **Problem Solving**
- **Communication**
  - Provide clarifying and extending questions related to mathematical conjectures.
  - Search Strings: “(knowledge and problem solving) and mathematical"
  - Search Strings: “(reasoning and conjecture)"
  - Search Strings: “(design experiments) or “experimental design” or (data and experiment and design) and (question or hypothesis)"

- **Reasoning**
- **Connections**
- **Number Sense and Number Systems**
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- **Measurement**
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Thank You!!

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