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LEWIS & CLARK

Lesson 7

Student Activity Page: Shoshones

Directions: Your goal is to learn as much as you can about the role of the Shoshones and their contributions to Lewis and Clark on their exploration of the West. Using Internet sites, videos, and library resources, complete the following fact sheet.

1. Describe at least 3 ways the Shoshones assisted Lewis and Clark on the journey. Explain why each of these things was important.
The Shoshones helped by: _____ This was important because: _____

A.

B.

C.

2. Describe at least 3 risks the Shoshones had to take in order to assist the expedition.

A.

B.

C.

3. Explain why you think the Shoshones were willing to take these risks to assist Lewis and Clark. Write a paragraph that explains your answer.

4. The Shoshones also benefitted from their contact with Lewis and Clark. In a paragraph, explain what the Shoshones gained from their interactions with Lewis and Clark. Give at least 3 specific examples.

5. Locate the following facts about the Shoshones. Record the answers to each question below.

A. What part of the U.S. was Shoshone territory? Describe the area.

B. How did the Shoshones assist Lewis and Clark with navigating through and crossing the mountains?

C. What were the Shoshone villages like? Describe them.

D. What was the Shoshones' attitude toward the Lewis and Clark expedition? Explain.

E. What was the great coincidence involving Sacagawea and the Shoshone chief, Cameahwait? Discuss it below.

F. Describe the food eaten by the Shoshones, why they chose to eat it, and why the members of the expedition disliked it.

G. Why were the Shoshones such a poor tribe? Explain.

H. What happened to the Shoshones after the expedition ended?

I. Describe traditional Shoshone dress in the space below.

J. Describe traditional Shoshone houses in the space below.

K. Describe a Shoshone custom or tradition in the space below.

6. In the space below, record any other interesting facts or information which will be useful in your project about the Shoshones.