Identify:

1. Alexander Mackenzie:
   1. Alexander Mackenzie was the first European north of Mexico to reach the Pacific Ocean by overland travel.
2. Meriwether Lewis:
   1. Meriwether Lewis was a 28 year old and was shy and thoughtful
3. William Clark:
   1. William Clark was a veteran was outgoing and good with men
4. Sacagawea:
   1. Sacagawea was a 17 year old girl; who helped Lewis and Clark. She was married to one of the tribe members.
5. Corps of Discovery:
   1. The Corps of Discovery was an expedition.
6. Wolf Calf:
   1. Wolf Calf was a thirteen year old who had a raiding party against a neighboring tribe
7. François Antoine Larocque:
   1. François Antoine Larocque worked for the British-owned fur company
8. David Thompson:
   1. David Thompson was an explorer who explored the northwest
9. John Colter:
   1. John Colter was a member of the Lewis and Clark expedition and was one of the best hunters
10. Louisiana Territory:
    1. The Louisiana Territory is a state that was purchased April 30th, 1803 by the united states with more than 800,00 square miles for $15 million
11. Define: Northwest Passage; North Passage is a water route across North America from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean that them to the markets of Asia's Far East
12. Indigenous; Indigenous is Native to particular land
13. Confluence; Confluence is when two rivers flow
14. Headwaters; Headwaters is the source of water aka a river.
15. Capitalism; Capitalism is an economic system in which privately owned businesses carry a trade for profit
16. Sextant; A sextant is a tool that measures the angle between two points
17. Chronometer; A chronometer is a very accurate clock
18. Why did Europeans want to find a way across the North American continent?
    1. They wanted to go to India for spices.
19. What countries were most interested in exploring the West and why?
    1. England, France, Spain, and Russia because the explorers wanted to know more.

They wanted to collect fur.

1. Why was Thomas Jefferson eager to claim new land for the United States?
   1. Thomas Jefferson was eager to claim the United States because he wanted to beat the British and wanted to make America an example of democracy.
2. What was the main purpose of the Corps of Discovery’s expedition?
   1. The purpose was to find the North west passage.
3. What was one of the most important contributions made by Sacagawea to the success of the Corps of Discovery’s expedition?
4. Her presence demonstrated to be peaceful.
5. Describe the areas in Montana explored by the Corps of Discovery, François Larocque, and David Thompson.
   1. Francois was the Missouri and Powder River and Thompson mapped the Kootenai River.
6. What was the primary information given by early explorers that brought more people to the western lands?
   1. The first explorers brought fur animals.
7. Describe some of the navigational instruments used by explorers in the early 1800s.
   1. A Chronometer and a Sextant.

Critical thinking:

1. How was the Corps of Discovery unlike other expeditions into the western lands?
2. It was a military mission and more complex.
3. Compare (and contrast) the relationship the Lewis and Clark Expedition had with the Indian tribes they encountered and the relationships other explorers had with Indians. What do you think accounts for the similarities and differences?
4. They saw Indians as potential trading partners.
5. The men of the Corps of Discovery had believed the Rocky Mountains to be similar to the Appalachian Mountains of the eastern United States. How do you think they felt when they realized this was a far different kind of mountain range? How do you think it made them feel about the return trip?
6. They didn’t think they could finish the travel until the Shoshone gave them horses to travel on.
7. The Corps of Discovery stayed close together throughout their westward journey. On the return journey through Montana, however, they separated into three small groups. Why do you think they did this, and was it a wise decision?
8. So that there were less people to carry on little supplies
9. Two of the major obstacles faced by the Corps of Discovery were the Great Falls and the Rockies. Compare and contrast the difficulties each physical landform presented. Which difficulty do you think was the most discouraging to the group?
10. They traveled through Great Falls with rapid rivers. They went through the Rockies with horrible weather. I think the Rockies would’ve been the hardest.

Past to Present:

1. Are there any lands left in the world today that have not been explored by modern people? What might be new frontiers for people today? What are the reasons we would want to explore new places?
2. I think there are places still not yet discovered.
3. Many white Americans looked forward to “celebrating” the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial in 2006. Many Indian people objected to calling it a celebration. They wanted to call it a commemoration (memorial) instead. What is the difference between a celebration and a commemoration? What different attitudes do the two words imply? What do you think accounts for these differences?
4. They celebrate the same things as us but in different ways.

Make it local:

1. Are there any places near you that early explorers passed through? If so, why were they there and what did they do? If not, why do you think they did not come to your area? Are there any historic sites near your home marking early Euro-American exploration? Are any places named after these explorers in your area?
2. They traveled through Three Forks Montana which is my home town.