

**Lewis and Clark- Great Journey West  
Video Questions**

1. The narrator notes that Lewis and Clark (and many others) thought they might actually encounter Woolly Mammoths and other prehistoric creatures. What does this say about their perception of the territory to be explored?
2. How old was Meriwether Lewis when he set out on the expedition? How old was William Clark?
3. The video refers to the territory as “uncharted”. What does that mean? Who already lived there?
4. How much did France sell the Louisiana territory to the United States for?
5. What were the expedition’s goals? What were they searching for?
6. What river did the group follow on their journey?
7. What were some of the challenges of navigating through the territory by boat?
8. How did Lewis and Clark approach the natives that they found in the Great Plains?
9. Which native group was the most powerful in the area that the group traveled? What happened on their first encounter?
10. How old was Sacagawea when she met the expedition?
11. What items did the group put together to send to President Jefferson in the spring?
12. How did Sacagawea help the group?
13. What did the group have to do when they encountered the great falls in Montana?
14. After finding the source of the Missouri River, what did Lewis discover on the other side of the Continental Divide?

15. What made the mountain crossing so dangerous/treacherous?

16. How long did the return trip take?

17. How many members of the expedition died on the journey?

*Now that you've watched the video, answer the following questions with thorough, specific responses.*

18. Did the expedition accomplish its goals? Why or why not?

19. Do you think the expedition of Lewis and Clark was necessary following the purchase of the Louisiana territory? Why or why not?

20. Summarize the role of the Native American tribes in the expedition of Lewis and Clark. In your opinion, would they have survived without the natives they encountered?

Based on what you've learned about Lewis and Clark, write a caption for this painting.

