

## Traversing the West

How did we travel west? What technologies were available for people as they settled in America? Learn about different transportation methods and technologies that helped settlers migrate across the country and out to the West.

*TEKS:*

*2: (5) Geography. The student understands how humans use and modify the physical environment. The student is expected to:*

*(A) identify ways in which people have modified the physical environment such as clearing land, building roads, using land for agriculture, and drilling for oil;*

*4: (4) History. The student understands the political, economic, and social changes in Texas during the last half of the 19th century. The student is expected to:*

*(B) explain the growth, development, and impact of the cattle industry (C) explain the effects of the railroad industry on life in Texas*

*5: (4) History. The student understands political, economic, and social changes that occurred in the United States during the 19th century. The student is expected to:*

*(F) identify the challenges, opportunities, and contributions of people from various American Indian and immigrant groups such as the settlement of the frontier and building of the Transcontinental Railroad*

*7: (6) History. The student understands how individuals, events, and issues shaped the history of Texas from Reconstruction through the beginning of the 20th century. The student is expected to:*

*(B) identify significant individuals, events, and issues, including the development of the cattle industry from its Spanish beginnings and the cowboy way of life*

*(C) identify significant individuals, events, and issues, including the effects of the growth of railroads*

*6, 7, 8: (6) Technology operations and concepts. The student demonstrates a thorough understanding of*

*technology concepts, systems, and operations. The student is expected to:*

*(I) discuss the relevance of technology as it applies to college and career readiness, life-long learning, and daily living*

*6, 7, 8: (4) Creativity and innovation--emerging technologies. The student demonstrates a thorough*

*understanding of the role of technology throughout history and its impact on societies. The student is expected to:*

*(A) discuss how changes in technology throughout history have impacted various areas of study*