



EUREKA!!

The year is 1849, the height of the Gold Rush. This is the story of a young person and their family moving west.

_____ was excited that his/her _____ was moving across the country, he/she had heard the stories of _____ laying across the _____ of California.

Name *Noun* *Plural Noun* *Noun*

He/she helped his/her _____ prepare their _____, _____, _____ by loading it up with _____. They would soon be setting off on their _____ journey.

Family Member *Adjective* *Color* *Noun* *Plural Noun* *Adjective*

Weeks turned into months. The trip was _____ and _____. The _____ they hitched to the _____ were keeping a(n) _____ pace. _____ walked alongside his/her _____ for most of the trip. The _____ family braved _____, _____, a _____, and dangers of all kind until finally...

Adjective *Adjective* *Plural Animal* *Noun* *Adjective* *Same Name* *Family Member* *Adjective* *Plural Noun* *Plural Noun* *Noun*

THEY MADE IT! _____ _____ as _____ as he/she could in his excitement. However, as they continued through California, _____ started to become discouraged...

Same Name *Past-Tense Verb* *Adverb* *Same Name*

"Where's all the _____ we were promised!?"

Plural Noun

After _____ of looking for a location to stake their claim, _____ was _____. He/she sat down on a _____ next to a stream and stuck his/her _____ in the _____ to cool himself/herself off when he/she noticed a glimmer of something in the _____...

Duration of Time *Same Name* *Adjective* *Noun* *Body Part* *Noun* *Noun*

"_____!!! A _____!!!"

EXCLAMATION *NOUN*

_____’s _____ demeanor had suddenly returned.

Same Name *Adjective*

"Maybe this was all worth it after all."

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This is a reference story for the above Mad Lib.

The year is 1849, the height of the Gold Rush. This is the story of a young person and their family moving west.

Jimmy was excited that his family was moving across the country, he had heard the stories of GOLD lying across the land of California.

He helped his father prepare their new, brown, covered wagon by loading it up with supplies. They would soon be setting off on their long journey.

Weeks turned into months. The trip was long and difficult. The donkeys they hitched to the wagon were keeping a steady pace. Jimmy walked alongside his sister for most of the trip. The small family braved mountains, wild animals, a desert, and dangers of all kind until finally...

THEY MADE IT! Jimmy hollered as loudly as he could in his excitement. However, as they continued through California, Jimmy started to become discouraged...

"Where's all the GOLD we were promised!?"

After days of looking for a location to stake their claim, Jimmy was exhausted. He sat down on a rock next to a stream and stuck his hands in the water to cool himself off when he noticed a glimmer of something in the water...

"EUREKA!!! A GOLD NUGGET!!!"

Jimmy's enthusiastic demeanor had suddenly returned.

"Maybe this was all worth it after all."