

The Oregon Country Quiz Study Guide

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**Circle the correct answer:**

1. To the first non-Native Americans who worked in the Oregon Country, its wealth was mostly what?

- A. Apples
- B. Fur Bearing Animals
- C. Cotton
- D. Wheat

2. Which of the following nations did NOT claim the Oregon Country?

- A. Russia
- B. Great Britain
- C. China
- D. United States

3. For centuries, “fashionable” Europeans and North Americans wore hats made of what item?

- A. Canvas
- B. Beaver Pelts
- C. Silk
- D. Jeans

4. Who was the first American fur trader to set up a trading post in the Oregon Country?

- A. John Jacob Astor
- B. James Beckwourth
- C. Jim Bridger
- D. Kit Carson

5. What was the name given to the first trappers in the Oregon Country who hunted away from civilization in the winter and brought back pelts to sell and trade in the summer?

- A. Hardy Hunters
- B. Triumphant Trappers
- C. Focused Furriers
- D. Mountain Men

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6. What is the Great Divide?

- A. Border between Canada and United States
- B. Mississippi River
- C. Rocky Mountains
- D. Atlantic Ocean

7. What trail did most travelers to Oregon take?

- A. Mormon Trail
- B. California Trail
- C. Oregon Trail
- D. Northwest Trail

8. Which of the following statements about the trail mentioned in #7 is NOT True?

- A. Former fur trappers guided wagons along this trail
- B. The trail began at Independence, Missouri
- C. Native Americans frequently attacked wagon trains on the trail
- D. Native Americans frequently traded with wagon trains on the trail

9. What campaign slogan was used by President James K. Polk in the 1844 election?

- A. Tippecanoe and Tyler Too!
- B. Don't Mess Around With Jim!
- C. Fifty-Four Forty or Fight!
- D. A Chicken in Every Pot, a Wagon in Every Barn!

10. What is the boundary between the United States and Canada throughout most of the West?

- A. 42<sup>nd</sup> Parallel
- B. 49<sup>th</sup> Parallel
- C. 54<sup>th</sup> Parallel
- D. 67<sup>th</sup> Parallel

**11. On a separate sheet of paper write your name and section and answer the following question, using at least three examples:**

In your opinion, should the United States have attempted to take the WHOLE Oregon Country, or was it good that we negotiated the amount of land that we received?

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**Answers:**

1. B. Fur Bearing Animals
2. C. China
3. B. Beaver Pelts
4. A. John Jacob Astor
5. D. Mountain Men
6. C. Rocky Mountains
7. C. Oregon Trail
8. C. Native Americans frequently attacked wagon trains on the trail
9. C. Fifty-Four Forty or Fight!
10. B. 49<sup>th</sup> Parallel