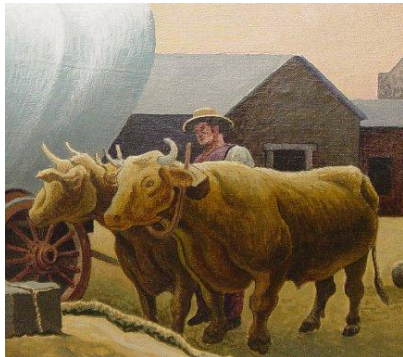
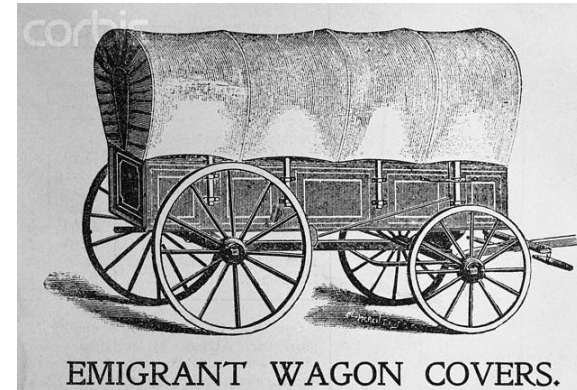


Westward Expansion Supply List

ITEM	COST EACH	ITEM	COST EACH
Wagon Supplies		Bacon (100 lbs.)	\$5
Conestoga Wagon (includes gear for animals)	\$250	Pork (100 lbs.)	\$5
Emigrant Wagon (includes gear for animals)	\$150	Dried Beef (100 lbs.)	\$6
Axle	\$75	Lard (100 lbs.)	\$5
Yoke	\$8		
Wheels	\$25	Dutch Oven	\$3
Oxen (2 per yoke)	\$75	Churn	\$2
Horses		Water Cask	\$3.50
Prime	\$100	Washboard	\$30
Fair	\$50	Cooking Kit (includes tin plates, spoons, coffee pot, kettle)	\$20
Wagon Cover (Conestoga)	\$8	Knife w/ whetstone	\$2.50
Wagon Cover (Emigrant)	\$6	Axe	\$3
Grease (15 lbs.)	\$1.50	Hatchet	\$2
Cow	\$25	Shovel	\$3
Food		Carpentry Kit (includes hammer, saw, chisels)	\$10
Flour (50 lb. sacks)	\$1	Pistol	\$7.50
Cornmeal (1 lb.)	\$.08	Rifle	\$10
Rice (1 lb.)	\$.05	Shotgun	\$10
Beans (1 lb.)	\$.08	Lead for bullets (20 lbs.)	\$1.20
Peas (1 lb.)	\$.08	Bullet Mold	\$2
Dried Apples (1 lb.)	\$.06	Gun Powder (5 lbs.)	\$1.50
Molasses (1 lb.)	\$.06	Sickle	\$1.50
Salt/Pepper (10 lbs.)	\$.50	Awl	\$1
Coffee (1 lb.)	\$.07	Iron	\$.25
Tea (1 lb.)	\$.55	Sewing Kit (includes scissors, needles, thread, thimble)	\$3
Sugar (1 lb.)	\$.05	Matches	\$1
Baking Soda (1 lb.)	\$.02	Candles (25 lbs.)	\$2.50
Vinegar (1 gal.)	\$.04	Soap (25 lbs.)	\$2.50
Dried Peaches (1 lb.)	\$.06	Nails (10 lbs.)	\$1.50
Camp Supplies		Clothing/Personal Items	
Rope (100 feet)	\$2	Buckskin Pants/Shirt	\$4
Tent	\$5	Rain Poncho	\$2
Ground Cloth	\$.50	Blanket	\$2
		Pillow	\$.50



Figure 1 - Conestoga Wagon



Large boat shaped Conestoga wagons were widely used for freighting, but were too long, heavy, and cumbersome to be practical for a long journey over the Oregon Trail. Emigrant wagons were smaller and lighter, and did not require as many draft animals. There was no single design for emigrant wagons - some were smaller, lighter versions of the boat shaped Conestogas, and some were custom designed and built with double decks or special storage features. The average of a Conestoga wagon was 21 feet long, 11 feet high, and 4 feet in width and depth (not including the cover). It could hold up to 12,000 pounds of cargo. The average Emigrant wagon was 10 feet long, 4 feet in width, and 5 feet deep (including the cover).

Wagons generally could only carry approximately 1 ton (2000 lbs.) of weight. Draft animals that pulled the loads could only handle that weight per wagon.

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The journey west required much planning – from the route to travel to the supplies needed. Often, the issue of supplies was a deal-breaker for the journey. A family that couldn't afford to properly equip itself would often be heading off into danger if not forced to abandon the trip altogether.

Your task is to use the attached supply list and plan for your journey out west. Your destination is Oregon, so you will need to plan well. Unfortunately, one of the reasons your father decided to make the trip was money troubles. Because of this, your family only has \$750 to spend for everything that is needed, not only for the trip, but also to start your new life in Oregon. Spend wisely! And remember, each wagon can only hold approximately 1 ton of weight. Otherwise, your draft animals will wear out quickly and/or your wagon will face excess wear and tear.

On a separate piece of paper, list the items your family purchased for the journey. Include the total number of each item you've chosen, along with the cost per item, total cost and possible weight (where appropriate). *Ex. "4 sacks of flour - \$1.00 per sack - \$4.00 – 200 lbs."* Remember your spending and weight limits!

