

**U.S. Westward Expansion Curriculum-Based Readers Theatre Script**

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1	Welcome to “The Lifestyles of the Not So Rich and Famous of U.S. Westward Expansion.” [sound effect]	Boys Freedom and dignity! [sound effect]
2	Not rich yet, anyway! [sound effect]	Girls For the Frontiersmen— Boys We’ll find out.
3	It’s getting too crowded out here for me, already! [sound effect]	All Westward ho! [gesture]
		<i>(Lines below to add more to the script)</i>
1	Excuse me. [gesture]	_____
All	Who were the “Not so rich and famous?” [gesture]	_____
2	Prospectors—	_____
All	Gold! [gesture]	_____
4	Homesteaders—	_____
All	I’m in it for the free land! [sound effect]	_____
1	Native Americans—	_____
All	No one can own the land! [gesture]	_____
5	Exodusters—	_____
All	No discrimination! [sound effect]	_____
3	Frontiersmen—	_____
3	I just wonder what all is out there? [gesture]	_____
Girls	For the prospectors—	_____
Boys	Gold. [sound effect]	_____
Girls	For the homesteaders—	_____
Boys	Land! [sound effect]	_____
Girls	For the Native Americans—	_____
Boys	Home! [sound effect]	_____
Girls	For the Exodusters—	_____