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JOIN THE LEWIS & CLARK EXPEDITION

Directions: On January 18, 1803, Thomas Jefferson asked Congress for \$2,500 to pay for an expedition to search for a river route to the Pacific Ocean. January 18, 2003, is the 200th anniversary of Jefferson's request and the beginning of the Lewis and Clark bicentennial celebration. Explore America's western frontier with Lewis and Clark. Write the answer to each question about the expedition on the lines provided below.

Web Resources:

Go West Across America with Lewis and Clark
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/features/97/west>



1. Who was the man President Jefferson chose to lead the expedition to the Pacific Ocean?

2. What place at the edge of the frontier was the starting point of the expedition?

3. What was the name of Toussaint Charbonneau's wife? _____

4. How long did it take the explorers to make the trip from Camp Wood to the Pacific Ocean and back again?

5. If a traveler today started in St. Louis and followed the same route that Lewis and Clark took in 1804, how many U.S. states would the traveler pass through?

Something to Think About: Would you have joined the Lewis and Clark expedition across an unsettled and dangerous frontier? Why or why not? What do you think are the most important characteristics of a successful explorer?

Learn More: To learn more about the Lewis and Clark expedition and the experiences of the explorers, re-live the adventure at <http://www.lewisandclarktrail.com>.