

The Louisiana Purchase and the Corps of Discovery

Name: _____

Accurately draw and label each of the following on your map:

Louisiana Territory
Oregon Country
Spanish Territory
Pacific Ocean
Missouri River
Mississippi River
Columbia River
Great Plains
Rocky Mountains
St. Louis
New Orleans
Fort Mandan
Fort Clatsop

The route going *west* of the Corps of Discovery (color A)

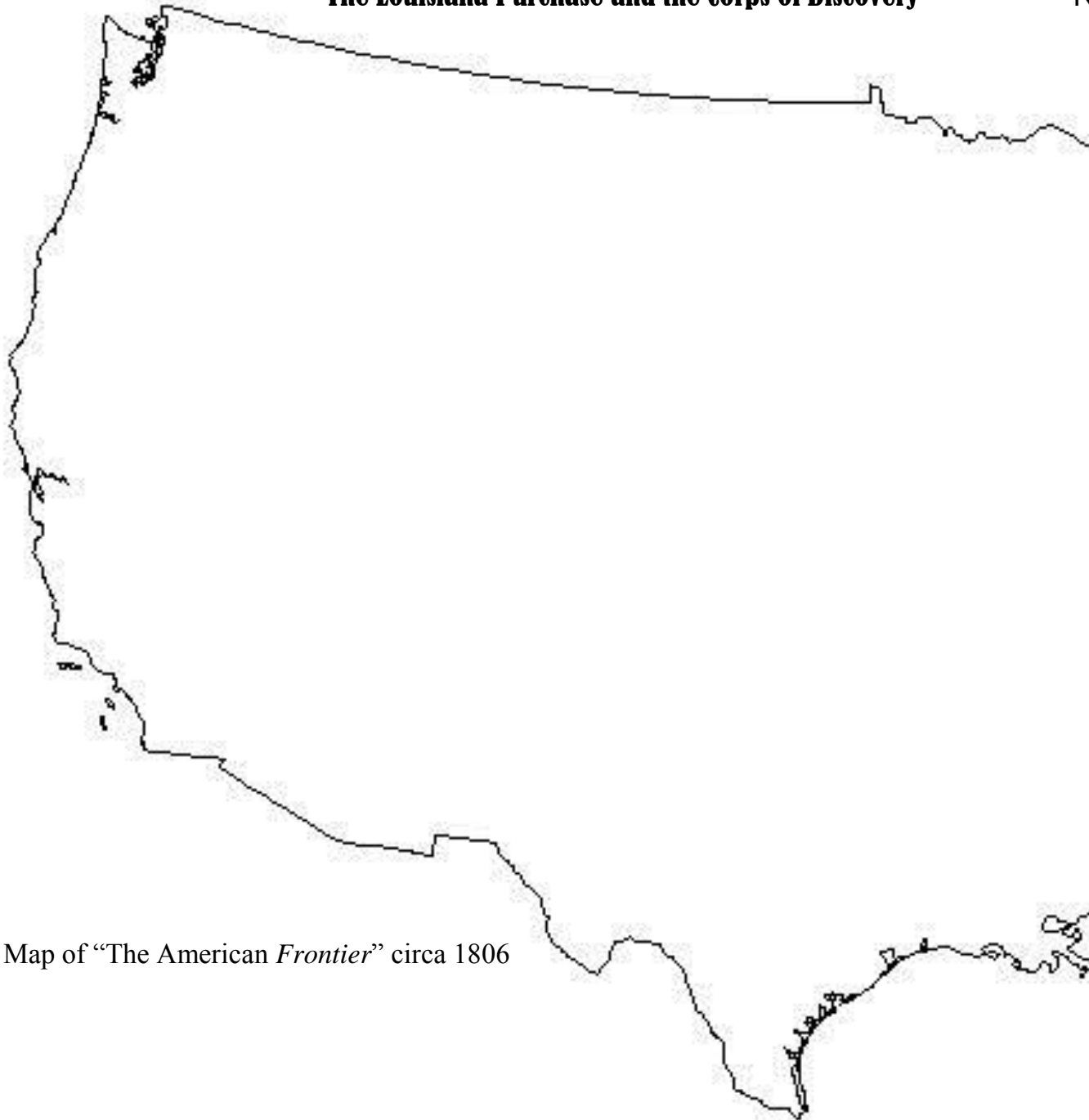
The return route *east* of the Corps of Discovery (color B)

BONUS CHALLENGE!



Place a red star at the approximate location of one of the events described in a selected entry from the journals of the expedition. Make sure and include the **DATE** of the entry next to the star.

Map of “The American *Frontier*” circa 1806



Information on pages 312-319 of your text will help you complete the map and answer the following questions.

1. List six (6) specific objectives of the Corps of Discovery and briefly explain whether each of the goals was met or not met.
2. List the various countries or groups of people that claimed land west of the Mississippi River in 1800.
3. Using your completed map, compare it to a political map of the U.S. and list ALL of the modern American states, or parts of states, that were eventually formed out of the land acquired in the Louisiana Purchase.
4. President Jefferson's decision to purchase Louisiana from France was very controversial. The Federalist Party argued that the Constitution does not give the President power to negotiate *treaties* with foreign nations. They claimed the Louisiana Purchase was *unconstitutional*. Using Article II, section 2 of the Constitution, explain your opinion of whether Jefferson's actions were right or wrong. Is buying land or making *treaties* a presidential duty or the job of another branch? Provide specific evidence or interpretations from the Constitution to support your conclusion.
5. If the Corps of Discovery explored the West in the 21st century instead of the first years of the 19th, their reports and communication might have looked much different. In the twitter boxes below, fill in appropriate tweets from members of the Corps and their interested commander-in-chief!



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