



Disembarkation

Newspapers in Education is celebrating *The Monumental Return of Lewis & Clark* with Explore St. Louis in this four-part classroom series.

FUN FACT #1: Meriwether Lewis and William Clark were asked by President Thomas Jefferson to explore and map the wild west of North America. They traveled the country to the Pacific Ocean, eventually returning to the Midwest.

Watch Episode 1 – Disembarkation (explorestlouis.com/lewisandclark)

ACTIVITY: After watching the video, students will learn about some of the people who accompanied Lewis and Clark on their incredible adventure. The expedition team is referred to as the Corps of Discovery. Students can use online and print resources to research the Corps and discover facts such as:

- Age
- Home state
- Family
- Education
- Military rank
- Why they were selected to be part of the expedition
- Specific information about their role in the expedition

ACTIVITY EXTENSION: Have students present a member of the Corps to the class individually or in small groups. Students can also write about each member of the team and this information can be made into a class book.

WRITING CONNECTION: Would you have liked to be a member of the expedition party? Why or why not?

CORPS OF DISCOVERY MEMBERS:

- Meriwether Lewis
- William Clark
- John Ordway
- Nathaniel Pryor
- Charles Floyd
- Patrick Gass
- William Bratton
- John Collins
- John Colter
- Pierre Cruzatte
- Joseph Field
- Reuben Field
- Robert Frazer
- Silas Goodrich
- John Shields
- John Potts
- Jean Baptiste LePage
- John B. Thompson
- Toussaint Charbonneau
- York (Clark's slave)
- Sacajawea
- Jean Baptiste Charbonneau (son of Toussaint and Sacajawea)
- Seaman the Dog