



Family Newsletter for Unit 3

People Move from Place to Place

Learn About It

In this unit, your child will learn:

- how our country changed as settlers moved west and started new communities
- about the experiences of some immigrant groups as they moved to the United States

Here are some ways that you can help your child learn:

Talk About It

Chapter 5: Newcomers Settle

Maps Look at a map of the United States. Point out Massachusetts, where the first colonists settled. Discuss how the country changed as settlers moved westward and started new communities.

Chapter 6: People Come from Many Places

Immigrants Immigrants have come to this country from many places. Share any stories about your family's experiences settling in this country or about others you know who have settled into your community recently.

Make It

A list for a wagon train Many settlers moved westward in wagon trains. With your child, make a list of what a family might have taken with them on a wagon.

Read to Learn More About It

Anno's Journey, by Mitsumasa Anno. A traveler on horseback moves through farm and village settings, past and present, in a journey without words.

The Courage of Sarah Noble, by Alice Dalgliesh. In 1707 Sarah helps her father build a home in the Connecticut wilderness and is befriended by a Native American family.

Train Song, by Diane Siebert. Rhyming text captures the essence of a train rushing on tracks.



Technology

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