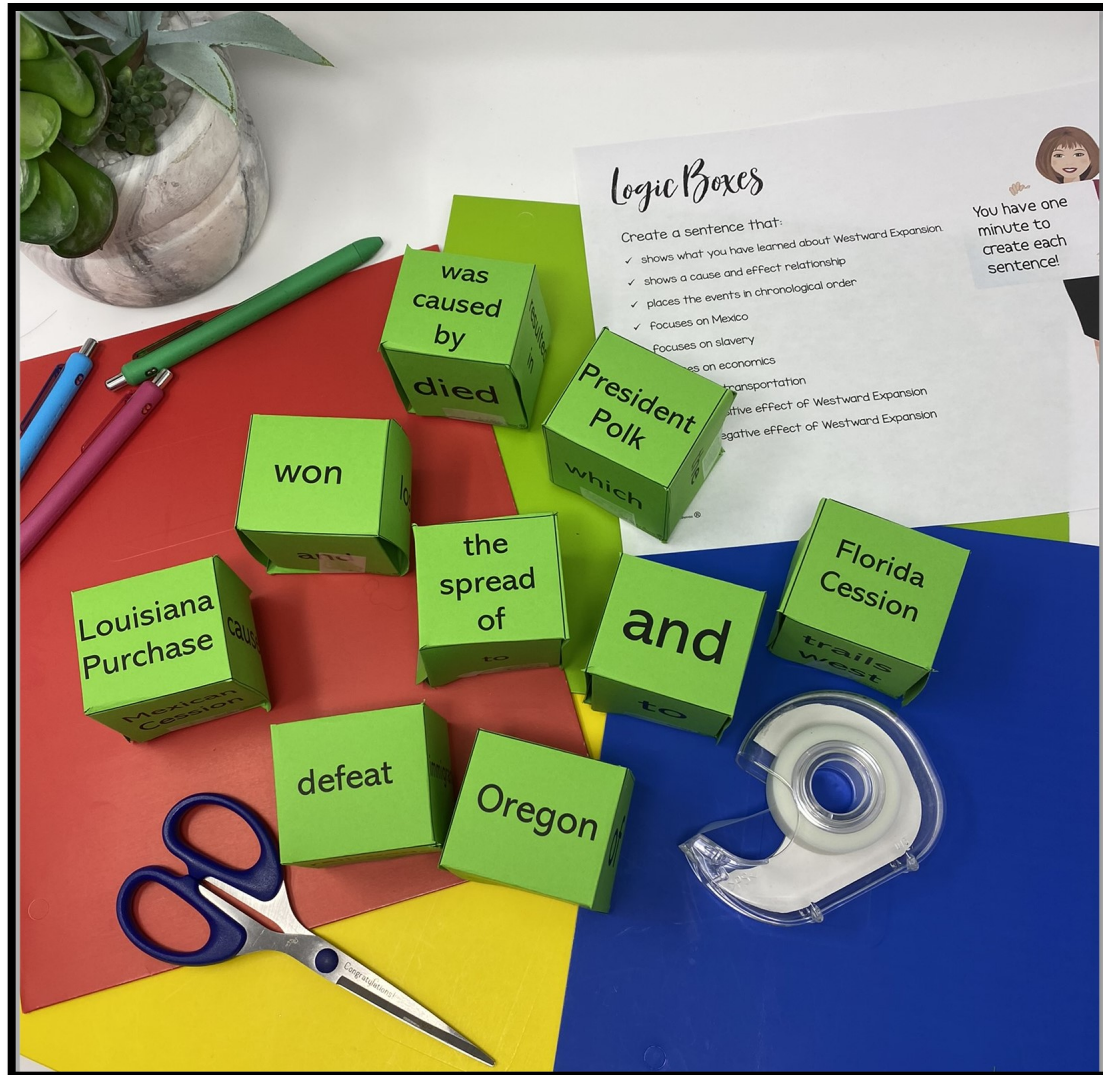


Westward Expansion Logic Boxes





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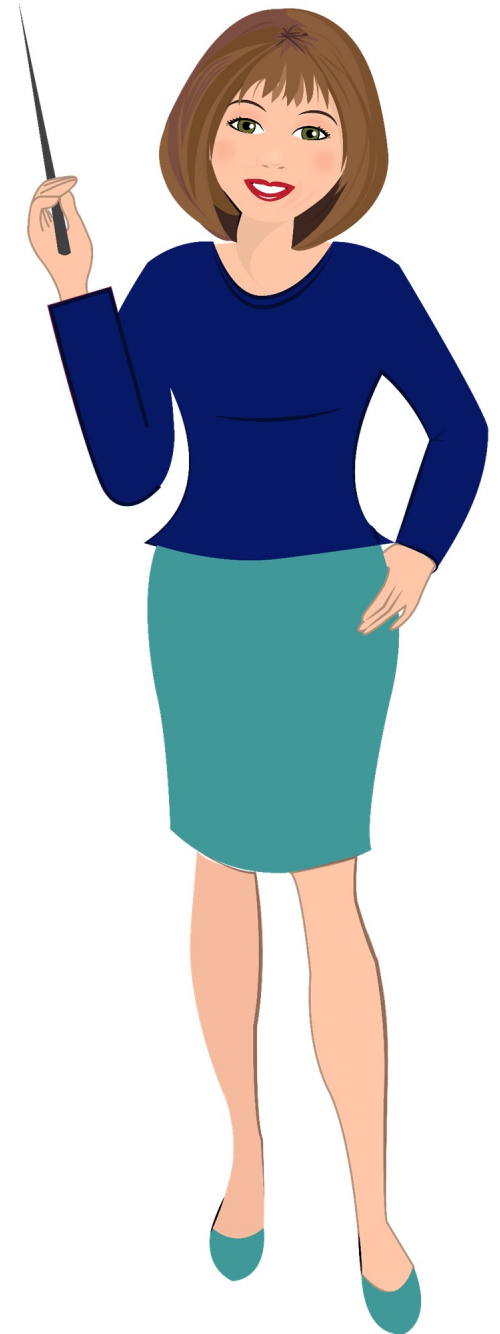


Teacher Directions:

1. Print one set of logic boxes for each group on cardstock. Give your students a few minutes to cut out and assemble each box.
2. Challenge your students to create sentences using the boxes to answer a set of questions (following page). Each box they use will earn them one point. Give the groups a time limit (like 1-2 minutes) to create their sentences. If you have groups struggling to make sentences, use the blank template to give them an extra box. They can write the words they need as they play the game.
3. The group with the highest amount of points at the end of the game wins.
4. Enjoy!

Logic Boxes

- Use boxes to create sentences that answer a question the teacher asks.
- Each box used in the sentence will earn you one point.
- Your team will have one minute to answer each question.
- The team with the most points at the end of the game wins!



Adaptation


Use paper boxes to create your blocks. Print the terms (4 per page or 9 per page) to fit your boxes. Place the terms in random order on all sides of the boxes. Create at least one large set for your class or smaller sets for your students. You can also write the terms on labels to save time.



Logic Boxes

Create a sentence that:

- ✓ shows what you have learned about Westward Expansion.
- ✓ shows a cause and effect relationship
- ✓ places the events in chronological order
- ✓ focuses on Mexico
- ✓ focuses on slavery
- ✓ focuses on economics
- ✓ focuses on transportation
- ✓ shows a positive effect of Westward Expansion
- ✓ shows a negative effect of Westward Expansion

A cartoon illustration of a woman with short brown hair, wearing a pink long-sleeved top and a black skirt, holding a large white sign. She is smiling and pointing with her right hand towards the sign.

You have one
minute to
create each
sentence!

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**Texas
Annexation**

**was
caused
by**

**resulted
in**

**Manifest
Destiny**

died

**The
spread
of**

slavery

**Louisiana
Purchase**

caused

the

**Mexican
Cession**

economic
opportunities

Westward
Expansion

the
spread
of

Treaty of
Guadalupe-
Hidalgo

was

to

Mexican

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Oregon

of

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slavery

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**Florida
Cession**

used

**African
Americans**

**trails
west**

**California
Gold Rush**

**The
Gadsden
Purchase**

won

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American
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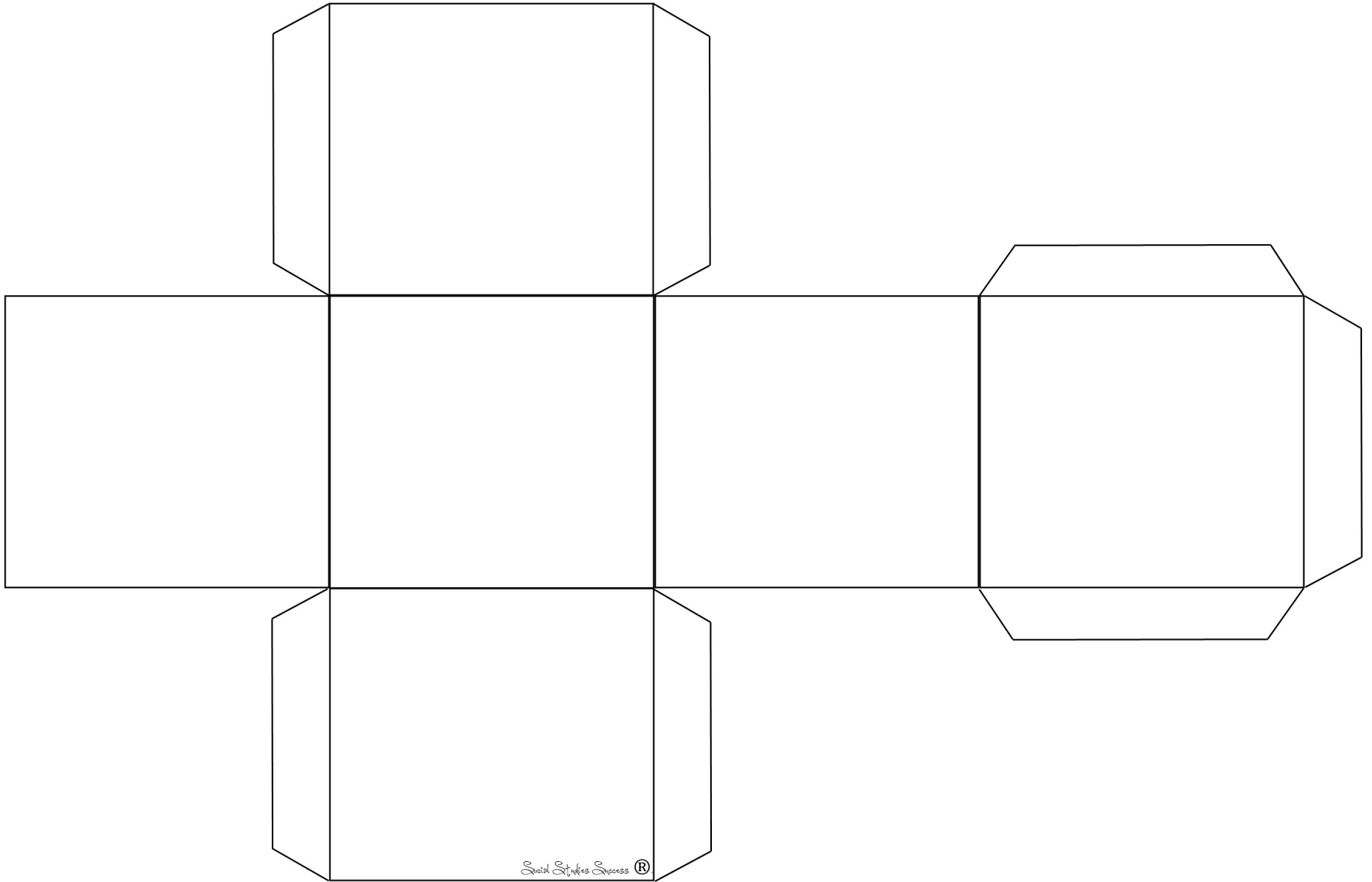
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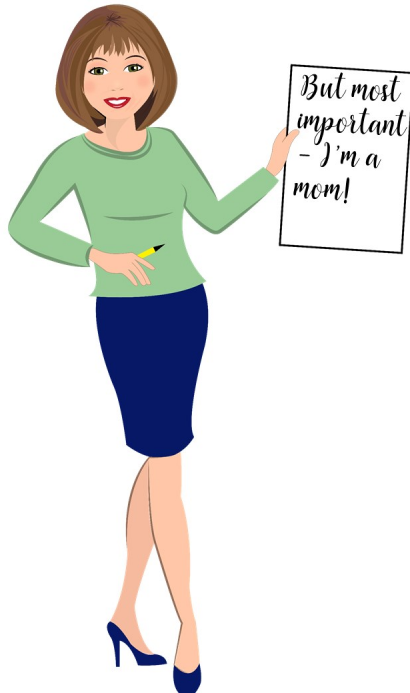


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For more than 25 years, I have brought my love of Social Studies to teachers and students. My journey includes a variety of roles - classroom teacher, instructional coach, curriculum coordinator, university professor, and professional development trainer. Working with middle school students has been one of the highlights of my career.

After thirteen years in the classroom teaching 7th and 8th grade history, I transitioned into the role of an instructional coach at a high school campus. This window into other teachers' classrooms motivated my inner calling to improve social studies instruction. I realized how important quality teachers are in changing the way students learn history.



My next step was to central office. I served a district of over 55,000 students as a Social Studies Coordinator. My goal of improving Social Studies instruction continued as I worked with over 600 K-12 Social Studies teachers to implement transformative Social Studies education.

In my current role, I provide professional development, consulting services and resources to Social Studies teachers. Research into best practices is embedded into all of my resources. I want every child to understand the importance of Social Studies in their life - and every teacher to have the tools to reach them.

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