

# PLAY THE COVERED WAGON SCAVENGER HUNT

The Tread of Pioneers Museum's current feature exhibit, "Staking Their Claim" is about Steamboat Springs pioneers conquering great odds and distances to settle in the Yampa Valley. Determining what a family could carry with them was a very important decision.



## Game Instructions:

The Sweeney family is traveling from Kansas to Steamboat Springs in a covered wagon. Help them "find" their supplies by searching for 10 essential miniature items throughout the museum's Victorian House. **Find the items, but please do not remove them**

**from their display or move or touch any artifacts or miniatures. What you are looking for: Small, miniature pioneer items mounted on a red circle/disc. They will be recognizable from a distance, so there is no need to open doors or touch artifacts.**

*To begin, ask for the Scavenger Hunt Clues from the front desk attendant. After you complete the hunt, claim your prize from the attendant at the front desk.*

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## How To Play:

First, search the museum's Victorian House for the 10 hidden items or miniatures that would be carried in a covered wagon in pioneer times. Once you have compiled the list of 10 pioneer items, figure out which item matches each clue below. Write the name of the item in the blank line next to the corresponding clue. Remember, do not remove the pioneer items from their hiding places.

## List of Pioneer Items I Found

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

## Clues: (REMEMBER, THERE IS NO NEED TO TOUCH OR OPEN ANYTHING TO FIND THE ITEMS)

1. With skilled and knowledgeable hands, I'll help you create blankets, clothing and bedding for your new home. Momma needs me packed for sure! I'm a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Experts say to plan for about 10 pounds of sugar for each person for a cross-country trip. I can help. I'm large and round and can hold lots of dry food. I'm a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The Sweeneys will be living in and out of a wagon for several months. There will be lots of dust. Keep me around to tidy up the wagon and tent floors. I'm a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The Sweeney family will need to carry lots of food because there will be no grocery or supply stores along the way. I am a staple food for your baking. I am a sack of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. I am small, but many say I am the most important thing to pack. I provide spiritual guidance, and I hold important family records. I have been passed down through many generations. I'm a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. I am essential for hunting food along the trail. Dad will keep me safe and close, especially late at night when we hear coyotes and bears. Cover your ears, I can be loud. I am a \_\_\_\_\_.
7. After a long day of travel, I can help take your mind off the worries of the road and provide music and entertainment. I am a \_\_\_\_\_.
8. These are the days long before electricity in the West. Fire me up and carry me around, I will help you see. I am a \_\_\_\_\_.
9. I'm tied to the outside of the wagon for easy access because you'll need me for carrying water. I am very important. I am a \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Mom said you can bring just three of me, but you wish for more. You select one for instruction, one for entertainment, and one because it's your favorite. We are \_\_\_\_\_.

*Congratulations! Return to the front desk to pick your prize!*

# KEY

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### (VOLUNTEERS HERE ARE WHERE THE ITEMS ARE HIDDEN, IN CASE YOU ARE ASKED)

1. Holy Bible (Dining Rm, case)
2. Lamp (Dining Rm, on melodeon)
3. Flour Sack (Kitchen, shelf)
4. Broom (Kitchen, closet)
5. Bucket (Kitchen, cupboard)
6. Guitar (Parlor, on piano)
7. Rifle (Western Rm, case top)
8. Barrel (West.Rm, chuck wag)
9. Sewing machine ("children's closet"/sewing display)
10. Books (Bed Rm, closet on stove)

### Clues:

1. With skilled and knowledgeable hands, I'll help you create blankets, clothing and bedding for your new home. Momma needs me packed for sure! I'm a SEWING MACHINE.
2. Experts say to plan for about 10 pounds of sugar for each person for a cross-country trip. I can help. I'm large and round and can hold lots of dry food. I'm a BARREL.
3. The Sweeneys will be living in and out of a wagon for several months. There will be lots of dust. Keep me around to tidy up the wagon and tent floors. I'm a BROOM.
4. The Sweeney family will need to carry lots of food because there will be no grocery or supply stores along the way. I am a staple food for your baking. I am a sack of FLOUR.
5. I am small, but many say I am the most important thing to pack. I provide spiritual guidance, and I hold important family records. I have been passed down through many generations. I'm a HOLY BIBLE.
6. I am essential for hunting food along the trail. Dad will keep me safe and close, especially late at night when we hear coyotes and bears. Cover your ears, I can be loud. I am a RIFLE / GUN.
7. After a long day of travel, I can help take your mind off the worries of the road and provide music and entertainment. I am a GITAR.
8. These are the days long before electricity in the West. Fire me up and carry me around, I will help you see. I am a LAMP.
9. I'm tied to the outside of the wagon for easy access because you'll need me for carrying water. I am very important. I am a BUCKET.
10. Mom said you can bring just three of me, but you wish for more. You select one for instruction, one for entertainment, and one because it's your favorite. We are BOOKS.