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GRADE LEVEL: K–1
STUDENT GUIDE
On this expedition, you will visit the following area in order to complete activities related to the theme “High Desert Cultures.”

EXHIBIT TITLE

Hall of Exploration and Settlement

Check (✓) when complete

Connection to Standards

Social Science Standards
K.1: Compare children and families of today to those of the past.
K.3: Distinguish between past and present.
K.4: Compare and contrast the student’s own environment with the past.
K.15: Identify various forms of money and explain how money is used.
K.16: Give examples of different jobs performed in neighborhoods.

1.1: Describe how people live in a community.
1.2: Compare the ways people lived in the community in the past with the ways they live in the present.
1.10: Locate and identify important places in the community.
1.11: Explain how seasonal changes influence activities in school and community.
1.19: Identify sources of income.
**SOCIAL STUDIES | High Desert Cultures**

**SPIRIT OF THE WEST | The First People**

Look at the tools made by the Northern Paiute tribe. Check the items that you can find.

- □ iPad
- □ Boat
- □ Toy
- □ Shoes
- □ Rope
- □ Book
- □ Bowl
- □ Car
- □ House

**Discuss**

Did you find the bowl? How does it compare to bowls at your house?
Did you find the toys? How do they compare to toys that you play with?
What else is similar or different than the items that you use?
Welcome to a fur trader camp! Families would spend the winter in tents like these 200 years ago. They were trapping animals with thick fur coats, but wanted beaver fur the most to make into hats.

**PICTURE MATCH**
Match the fur trader’s objects from the past with a line to things used today.

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<th>Modern Equivalent</th>
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<td>Sleeping Bag</td>
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<td>Snowshoes</td>
<td>Flint and Steel</td>
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<td>Moccasins</td>
<td>Plastic and Metal Snowshoes</td>
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<td>Tennis Shoes</td>
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**HIGH DESERT MUSEUM**
SPIRIT OF THE WEST | Fur Forts

During the fur trade 200 years ago, things like guns or clothing were traded for beaver pelts. Can you find the white blanket? The price tag is stitched into the blanket; each line means one beaver pelt. How many beaver pelts is this blanket worth? *Hint: the shorter line on the blanket indicates a pelt in poor condition.*

Discuss
How many beaver pelts do you think a gun would be worth? A tent? A horse?
What are some of the sounds you hear while standing in this fort?
Do any of the sounds remind you of your home?
SPIRIT OF THE WEST  |  Emigrants

Find these important objects:

- Cooking Skillet
- Blacksmith Anvil
- Butter Churn
- Barrel of Flour
- Crosscut Saw
- Spinning Wheel

Discuss
Do you think this would be a good place to stop and build a town?
What do you think towns need from nature that you don’t see here?
Find the miner’s cabin.

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<th>How many rooms do you have in your house?</th>
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**Discuss**

Do you see a kitchen?
Do you see a living room?
Where do you think the bathroom is?
How would living in the cabin be different from living in your house?
What jobs do you think are in this town? Circle the types of jobs you think people have in this town.