

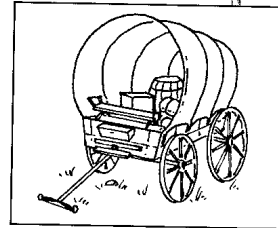
## Challenge Activities

### Make a Comic Strip

Make a comic strip about the Industrial Revolution. First, write a list of important events that happened during this time. Put them in order. Count them to know how many boxes will be in your comic strip. Then draw each event with text inside or below the comic strip box. Share your comic strip with your class.

### Wagons Ho

Find out more about covered wagons and what it was like to travel a long distance in one. Then make a chart that compares and contrasts travel to the West by covered wagon with travel to the West today. Think about things all travelers do to plan and prepare for a trip. Think about possible emergencies and needed supplies. Explain your chart to your class.



### Wild West

Use your classroom library or the Internet to learn more about what it was like to be a miner during the California Gold Rush. Then imagine that you are a forty-niner. Most evenings you like to write in your journal about what happened that day. Think about some of the facts you have learned about the gold rush, boomtowns, and the people who looked for gold. Include details that you learned—perhaps about the kinds of people who become miners, what happens when you find gold, and what's good and what's bad about your life as a miner. Write some entries in your journal.