



Idaho

Day 1

Hello, my name is Joseph! Welcome to my state of Idaho! I love living here in the Pacific Northwest. My state has an amazing history, and I can't wait to share part of it with you!

I know we're going to get to see and do all sorts of amazing things on this trip! First, let me tell you about my name. Now, I'm sure you've heard the name Joseph before, but have you ever heard of Chief Joseph? He was a Nez Percé chief who is remembered as a very brave and wise man.

Back in 1877, he led his people in an attempt to escape the U.S. military, who was forcing them to move to a reservation. For over three months, Chief Joseph and his people eluded the military. And through all that time, Chief Joseph earned a good reputation for the kind way he treated people, including the ranchers and storekeepers he met on his way. Instead of raiding for the supplies he needed, he bought them! But eventually, the military surrounded Chief Joseph and his people. Chief Joseph surrendered, saying, "Hear me, my chiefs; my heart is sick and sad. From where the sun now stands, I will fight no more forever." Chief Joseph and his people were sent to a reservation and never allowed to return to their homeland.

So, welcome to Idaho, the land of the Nez Percé and Chief Joseph. Welcome to the land of appaloosa horses (They are said to have first been bred here.) and the beautiful Rocky Mountains. Welcome to the "gem of the mountains," my state Idaho!

Tomorrow, I'll take you to the Spalding Mission Site in 1838. Hope you're ready for a wonderful adventure!

Don't forget to download your Explorer Pack so you can use it as we keep exploring. You will also need to download your Travel Journal to complete the Timeline activities as we explore.

Explore More

- Timeline – We're getting ready to visit the Spalding Mission Site in 1838. Find another event that was happening in Idaho, the United States, or the world in 1838.
- Extra Exploration – What year did Idaho become a state? Which number state did it become (first, second, fiftieth, etc.)? What is the state flower of Idaho? What is the state bird?



Day 2

Here we are in the town of Spalding, Idaho, in 1838. Do you see the mission over there? That was started by Rev. Henry Spalding and his wife Eliza. They were the first missionaries to come to the Clearwater River Valley, but they would not be the only ones to come. Many others would follow, and some of the churches that were started during the “mission era,” as it was called, are still active congregations in the present!

The Spaldings actually planted their first mission a few miles from here, but they moved here near Lapwai Creek because it was cooler and didn’t have as many mosquitoes. Many of the Nez Percé, whom the Spaldings became friends with as they taught and preached, helped them build their new home here.

The Spaldings worked here among the Nez Percé for ten years until an attack in Walla Walla on some other missionaries convinced them that it was no longer safe to remain. But the Reverend Spalding did come back in the 1860s and worked among the Nez Percé again.

Explore More

Use the pages from your Explorer Pack to help you complete these activities.

Grades K-2

Do the coloring activity in your Explorer Pack. Color in ONLY the shapes that have dots in them, and try to stay inside the lines. When you are done, you’ll see a hidden picture!

Grades 3-6

With a parent’s permission, take a look at the pictures of types of clothing the Nez Perce (also called Nimiipuu) wore. You’ll find pictures at <https://www.pinterest.com/qnpoohbear/nez-perce-traditional-clothing/>. Now, design your own dress or shirt based on the types of designs and patterns you see there.

Grades 7-12

For the last two thousand years, people have been sharing the Good News of Jesus with people who have not heard. If you were to help one group of people hear about God’s love and salvation, who would it be and why? What are some ways you can help them hear?

Explore More

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Spalding Mission Site, Idaho, 1838

We're getting ready to visit the Spalding Mission Site, Idaho in 1838. Find another event that was happening in Idaho, the United States, or the world in 1838. Write down as much information as you can find.

Handwriting practice area consisting of multiple sets of horizontal lines (solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline) for writing.

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Extra Exploration

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Spalding Mission Site, Idaho, 1838

What year did Idaho become a state? Which number state did it become (first, second, fiftieth, etc.)? What is the state flower of Idaho? What is the state bird?

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline. A large, diagonal watermark reading "SAMPLE" is overlaid across the page.

Color It

Day 2

Grades K-2

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Design It

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Grades 3-6

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Write About It

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State of Idaho				
	Temperature	Sun or Clouds	Precipitation Type	Precipitation Amount
Spalding Mission Site, Spalding				
Three Island Crossing, Glenns Ferry				
Pierce Courthouse, Pierce				
Fort Boise, Boise				
Rock Creek Station, Hansen				
The town of Lava Hot Springs				
Craters of the Moon National Monument, Arco				
Minidoka National Historic Site, Hagerman				
Average Temperature				
Number of Days with Precipitation				
Average Amount of Precipitation				



State of Idaho	
Travel Route	Distance
Miles from the Spalding Mission Site to Three Island Crossing	
Miles from Three Island Crossing to the Pierce Courthouse	
Miles from the Pierce Courthouse to Fort Boise	
Miles from Fort Boise to Rock Creek Station	
Miles from Rock Creek Station to the town of Lava Hot Springs	
Miles from Lava Hot Springs to the Craters of the Moon National Monument	
Miles from Craters of the Moon National Monument to Minidoka National Historic Site	
Total Distance Traveled	
Average Distance Traveled Between Stops	



Timeline
State of Idaho



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