

**Ask questions to your partner to complete Meriwether LEWIS's biography, then answer the questions he / she will ask you about William CLARK:**

**LEWIS, Meriwether** (1774 – 1. \_\_\_\_\_),

American explorer, born in Ivy, Va. He served in the 2. \_\_\_\_\_ before 1801 when he became the private secretary to President 3. \_\_\_\_\_. In 1803 Jefferson appointed him commander of 4. \_\_\_\_\_ to explore the new territory acquired in the Louisiana Purchase. Lewis chose the American explorer 5. \_\_\_\_\_ as joint commander; the expedition (*see* LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION,), a remarkable achievement<sup>1</sup>, ended in 6. \_\_\_\_\_, and the following year Lewis was made governor of 7. \_\_\_\_\_. During this time he was troubled by 8. \_\_\_\_\_ problems and apparently by problems with alcohol and depression. He died at 9. \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> on the Natchez trail in Tennessee, while en route to Washington, D.C.; 10. \_\_\_\_\_ debate whether he was murdered or committed suicide. Meriwether Lewis National Monument in Tennessee, which commemorates Lewis's achievements, is in the Natchez Trace National Parkway (established in 1938).

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1. *success*; 2. auberge, hôtel.

**Write down the questions you will ask your partner on the following lines:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ ?
2. Where \_\_\_\_\_ ?
3. Who \_\_\_\_\_ to ?
4. What \_\_\_\_\_ of ?
5. Who \_\_\_\_\_ ?
6. When \_\_\_\_\_ ?
7. What \_\_\_\_\_ of ?
8. Which \_\_\_\_\_ by ?
9. Where \_\_\_\_\_ ?
10. Who \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**CLARK, William**

(1770–1838), American soldier and explorer, born in Caroline Co., Va. About 1789 he entered the U.S. Army; while serving with Gen. Anthony Wayne in an Indian campaign in 1795, he met the American explorer Meriwether Lewis. In 1803 Lewis asked Clark to join him on an expedition through the newly acquired Louisiana Purchase. What is now known as the LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION, (q.v.) began at Saint Louis, Mo., on May 14, 1804, and ended at the same city on Sept. 23, 1806. During the long journey Clark drew maps and illustrated wildlife of the region. After his return he worked on the reports of the trip. In 1807 he was commissioned<sup>1</sup> a brigadier general in the militia in what was later the Missouri Territory and became superintendent of Indian affairs at St. Louis. He became governor of the territory in 1813 and spent the next eight years quelling<sup>2</sup> Indian disturbances<sup>3</sup>, which were particularly bitter during the War of 1812. He later turned to surveying<sup>4</sup>, and in 1828 he designed Paducah, Ky.

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1. nommé; 2. réprimer; 3. troubles; 4. topography.