

**Answer the questions your partner will ask you about Meriwether LEWIS, then ask him / her questions to complete William CLARK's biography:**

## **LEWIS, Meriwether** (1774–1809),

American explorer, born in Ivy, Va. He served in the army before 1801 when he became the private secretary to President Thomas Jefferson. In 1803 Jefferson appointed him commander of an expedition to explore the new territory acquired in the Louisiana Purchase. Lewis chose the American explorer William Clark as joint commander; the expedition (*see* LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION,), a remarkable achievement, ended in 1806, and the following year Lewis was made governor of the northern part of the Louisiana Territory. During this time he was troubled by financial problems and apparently by problems with alcohol and depression. He died at Grinder's Inn on the Natchez trail in Tennessee, while en route to Washington, D.C.; historians 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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## **CLARK, William** (1. \_\_\_\_\_ – 1838),

American soldier and explorer, born in Caroline Co., Va. About 1789 he entered the 2. \_\_\_\_\_; while serving with Gen. Anthony Wayne in an Indian campaign in 1795, he met the American explorer 3. \_\_\_\_\_. In 1803 Lewis asked Clark to join him on an expedition through the newly acquired 4. \_\_\_\_\_. What is now known as the LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION, (q.v.) began at 5. \_\_\_\_\_, Mo., on 6. \_\_\_\_\_, and ended at the same city on Sept. 23, 1806. During the long journey Clark drew 7. \_\_\_\_\_ and illustrated wildlife of the region. After his return he worked on the reports of the trip. In 1807 he was commissioned a brigadier general in the militia in what was later the 8. \_\_\_\_\_ Territory and became superintendent of 9. \_\_\_\_\_ affairs at St. Louis. He became governor of the territory in 1813 and spent the next eight years quelling Indian disturbances, which were particularly bitter during the War of 1812. He later turned to surveying, and in 1828 he 10. \_\_\_\_\_ Paducah, Ky.

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

1. \_\_\_\_\_ ?
2. What \_\_\_\_\_ ?
3. \_\_\_\_\_ ?
4. What \_\_\_\_\_ ?
5. Where \_\_\_\_\_ ?
6. When \_\_\_\_\_ ?
7. What \_\_\_\_\_ ?
8. Where \_\_\_\_\_ ?
9. Which \_\_\_\_\_ ?
10. What (do) \_\_\_\_\_ ?