

Here is your printable vocabulary matching packet to accompany the curriculum:

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This printable contains six dedicated matching sheets (one for each lesson) and a teacher answer key at the back. Below is the text version you can review on your computer screen.

Lesson 1: The Land and the Sierra Miwok People

Directions: Match the vocabulary word on the left with its correct definition on the right by writing the correct letter in the blank space.

Word	Blank	Definition
1. Ancestral	_____	A. Caring for and managing natural resources responsibly.
2. Stewardship	_____	B. Low-intensity fires set intentionally to clear brush and help plants grow.
3. Ecosystem	_____	C. Inherited from or belonging to a family's history and past generations.
4. Foothills	_____	D. A community of living organisms interacting with their physical environment.
5. Controlled Burn	_____	E. Low hills at the base of a mountain range.

Lesson 2: The Mighty Acorn (The Staff of Life)

Directions: Match the vocabulary word on the left with its correct definition on the right by writing the correct letter in the blank space.

Word	Blank	Definition
1. Tannic Acid	_____	A. Grinding acorn meats into a fine powder or meal.
2. Chaw'se	_____	B. Washing away a bitter chemical using flowing water.
3. Pestle	_____	C. A bitter chemical found inside raw acorns that protects them from bugs.
4. Leaching	_____	D. A smooth, heavy hand stone used to grind materials against a flat rock.
5. Milling	_____	E. The Miwok word for a large, flat bedrock grinding rock surface.

Lesson 3: Daily Life, Games, and Storytelling

Directions: Match the vocabulary word on the left with its correct definition on the right by writing the correct letter in the blank space.

Word	Blank	Definition
1. U-ma-cha	_____	A. Spoken storytelling used to pass down history without writing it down.
2. Conical	_____	B. A traditional character in folklore who tricks others but teaches a lesson.
3. Trickster	_____	C. Traditional knowledge, beliefs, and stories passed down by a culture.

Word	Blank	Definition
4. Oral Tradition	_____	D. Shaped like a cone.
5. Folklore	_____	E. A traditional Sierra Miwok house built from thick slabs of cedar bark.

Lesson 4: Boomtown Amador: The Arrival of the Miners

Directions: Match the vocabulary word on the left with its correct definition on the right by writing the correct letter in the blank space.

Word	Blank	Definition
1. Boomtown	_____	A. A person who travels to an area to search for valuable gold or minerals.
2. Prospector	_____	C. A town that grows incredibly fast because of sudden economic success.
3. Puckerville	_____	B. Heavy linen fabric used to make sturdy tents for shelter.
4. Canvas	_____	D. The nickname given to the massive wave of gold seekers in 1849.
5. 49ers	_____	E. The original historical name for the mining camp that became Plymouth.

Lesson 5: Placer Mining vs. Hard Rock Deep Mining

Directions: Match the vocabulary word on the left with its correct definition on the right by writing the correct letter in the blank space.

Word	Blank	Definition
1. Placer Mining	_____	A. Washing loose gold flakes out of surface sand and stream water.
2. Hard Rock Mining	_____	B. An industrial machine that uses heavy iron weights to crush rock ore.
3. Stamp Mill	_____	C. Digging deep underground tunnels to extract gold veins trapped in rock.
4. Sluice Box	_____	D. A long wooden channel with ridges used to catch heavy pieces of gold.
5. Iron Pyrite	_____	E. A shiny mineral known as "Fool's Gold" because it looks like real gold.

Lesson 6: The Legacy of the Land

Directions: Match the vocabulary word on the left with its correct definition on the right by writing the correct letter in the blank space.

Word	Blank	Definition
1. Legacy	_____	A. A dynamic system of agriculture, farming, and raising livestock.
2. Vineyard	_____	B. A plantation or farm where grapevines are grown for harvest.
3. Agriculture	_____	C. Something handed down

Word	Blank	Definition
		or left behind from the past.
4. Preservation	_____	D. Historical details or physical ruins built in a series over time.
5. Layers of History	_____	E. The act of keeping historical sites and natural spaces safe from ruin.

Master Vocabulary Answer Key

Lesson 1

1. **C** (Ancestral)
2. **A** (Stewardship)
3. **D** (Ecosystem)
4. **E** (Foothills)
5. **B** (Controlled Burn)

Lesson 2

1. **C** (Tannic Acid)
2. **E** (Chaw'se)
3. **D** (Pestle)
4. **B** (Leaching)
5. **A** (Milling)

Lesson 3

1. **E** (U-ma-cha)
2. **D** (Conical)
3. **B** (Trickster)
4. **A** (Oral Tradition)
5. **C** (Folklore)

Lesson 4

1. **C** (Boomtown)
2. **A** (Prospector)
3. **E** (Puckerville)

4. **B** (Canvas)
5. **D** (49ers)

Lesson 5

1. **A** (Placer Mining)
2. **C** (Hard Rock Mining)
3. **B** (Stamp Mill)
4. **D** (Sluice Box)
5. **E** (Iron Pyrite)

Lesson 6

1. **C** (Legacy)
 2. **B** (Vineyard)
 3. **A** (Agriculture)
 4. **E** (Preservation)
 5. **D** (Layers of History)
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