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Write a response to the following question: How did the various groups of American settlers during the period of Westward Expansion demonstrate the idea of Manifest Destiny?

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***Short Response Grading Rubric***

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| **-Advanced**  **\*CLEARLY answers the prompt and shows superior knowledge of the topic.**  **\**Uses content vocabulary*.**  **\*Response gives two or more examples.**  **\*No grammar and/ or spelling errors.** | **4-Proficient**  **\*SOMEWHAT clear responses. Understanding of the topic shown.**  **\**Some use of content vocabulary.***  **\*Response gives one example.**  ***\**Two-three grammar and/or spelling errors.** | **3-Basic**  **\*UNCLEAR response and reflects some knowledge of the topic.**  **\**Very little use of content vocabulary.***  ***\**Response gives no examples.**  **\*Four or more grammar and/or spelling errors.** | **2-Below Basic**  **\*OFF TOPIC response or is incomprehensible. Little understanding of the topic is shown.**  **\**No content vocabulary is used.***  **\*Response gives no examples.**  **\*Grammar and/or spelling errors make response incomprehensible.** | **1-Far Below Basic**  **\*MINIMAL or no work attempted. No understanding of the topic shown.** |

**How did the various groups of American settlers during the period of Westward Expansion demonstrate the American idea of Manifest Destiny? Use specific examples from our study to explain your response.**

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