4th Grade Exhibit Guide

The Lower Road
Using the landmarks displayed on the floor of the lobby, find Fort Lancaster. On what day did travelers arrive at Fort Lancaster during their trip west?

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At what other forts would travelers have stopped along the way?

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Culture Clash
What three Native American tribes lived in the area where Fort Lancaster was built?

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Building Fort Lancaster
What materials found nearby did the soldiers use to build the fort?

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Who stayed in wedge tents?

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Origins of a Fort
When selecting the site, Colonel Mansfield noted these three resources were nearby:

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Companies ____ and ____ built Camp Lancaster on Live Oak Creek.

In the year ________________________, Camp Lancaster was upgraded to a full-fledged fort.
A Study in Contrasts
How much did army privates earn per month in the 1850s? ____________
What is the legal minimum wage per hour today? ________________

Winter Coats in West Texas
Try on the army jacket. List three adjectives describing how it feels.

Army Women
__________________________ was the only job available to women in the army in 1850s.

Experimental Expedition
What was so unusual about Lt. Edward Fitzgerald Beale’s expedition from Texas to California in 1857?

Hostilities Erupt
Listen to Lt. Hartz’s report. How many Mescalero Apache Indians charged the train? ________________________________

The Final Years of the Fort
What group of soldiers served at Fort Lancaster after the Civil War?

The only known attack by Native Americans on a U.S. Army Fort in Texas happened at Fort Lancaster in what year? ________________

What questions do you have for Fort Lancaster staff?