



# Forces

Forces can oftentimes be tricky things to identify. We cannot see, hear, smell, or taste them and yet they exert enormous influence upon us both collectively and individually. Forces attract, hold, or repel us. The force of gravity is invisible but has a tremendous ability to attract physical objects to one another. Likewise, culture is a force that can sometimes be difficult to identify or define and yet it exerts significant influence on our lives.

During this cycle you will investigate the forces that caused the Mormon migration westward and caused them to settle in the Great Basin, as well as the forces behind the Mormon pioneers and the influence they have exerted on Utah's culture. Additionally, you will learn about the forces of mining, cultural diversity, Native Americans, and other religious and ethnic groups, and the important roles all of these forces have played in Utah's history.

## Guiding Questions

1. What contributions did the Mormon pioneers make to Utah?
2. How did the Mormons settle the Salt Lake Valley and surrounding land in the West?
3. What were the conflicts between the different groups in the Utah Territory?

## What You Will Learn

1. The significant pioneers in Utah history.
2. The role of mining in Utah.
3. Cultural diversity in Utah.
4. Contributions made to Utah's history and culture by Native Americans and other religious and ethnic groups.

## What You Will Do

1. Make a timeline of Mormon pioneer migration.
2. Write a newspaper story about a significant event from Utah's pioneer history.
3. Take quizzes on what you have learned about Utah's pioneer history.
4. Analyze the maps you created during the previous cycle.
5. Write a narrative essay about the Mormon migration from New York to the Salt Lake Valley.