



BLACK ROCK DESERT
HIGH ROCK CANYON
EMIGRANT TRAILS



NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA

CHILDREN ON THE TRAIL

Children on the Trail Skit and Activities:

The purpose of the Children on the Trail skit is to introduce students to the experiences of emigrant children traveling to the West in the nineteenth century. What did children on the trail do for fun? What did they eat? What kind of responsibilities did they have? The main idea behind this skit is to show students what a typical day-in-the-life on the trail might have been for someone just like themselves. The skit shows the hardships and accomplishments of children on the trail, by way of two children: Beatrice, 14 years old, and her brother Dennis, 10 years old. The story follows a typical day on the trail for the two children and their parents. Included with the skits are some different activities and games that exemplify the way children were entertained on the trail and on the frontier. Have fun!