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People rarely slept in a Conestoga wagon OR a "Prairie Schooner" they were meant for cargo only. They were filled with supplies for the journey. If driven by horses or mules, the driver and possible rider sitting upfront would endure jostling and jerking making the ride VERY hard and uncomfortable. If driven by oxen, the owner would walk beside the animals guiding them with verbal commands. This was because of the rough terrain they were traveling through. Remember, these wagons did not travel on paved roads like those of today and they didn't have rubber tires. They traveled on unprepared ground, the ride was rocky, and it was often the first time a wagon had even ridden on the land. During this time in history, people slept in tents outside under the stars rather than in a Covered Wagon or "Prairie Schooner," because they were never meant for sleeping in the first place. The open floor area was very narrow.

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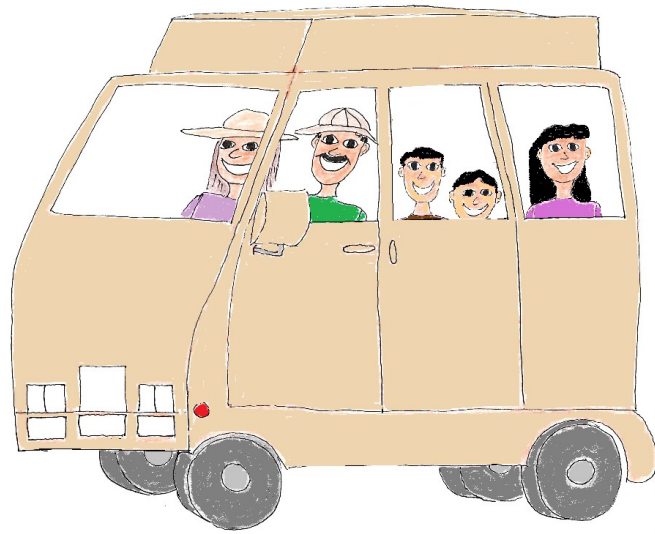
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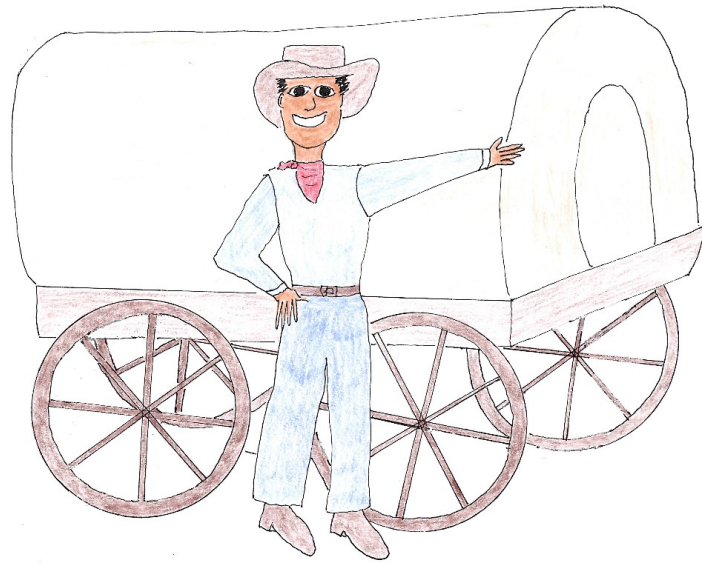


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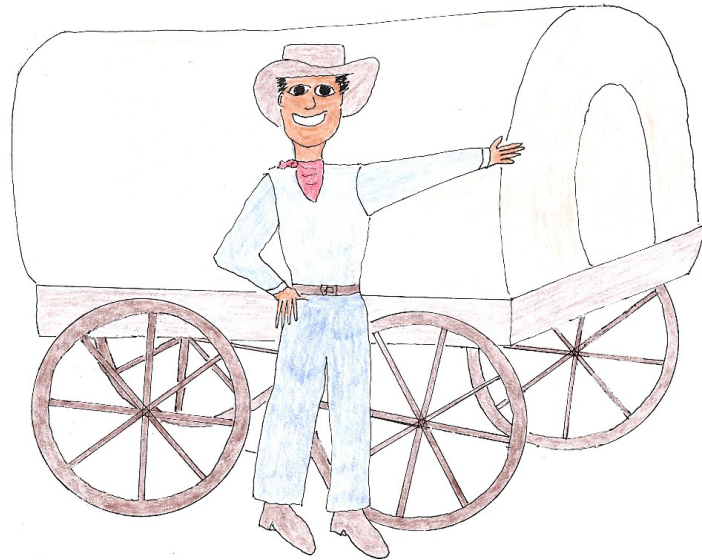


**They packed up the van...**





**...and went to a ranch man.**



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and...**



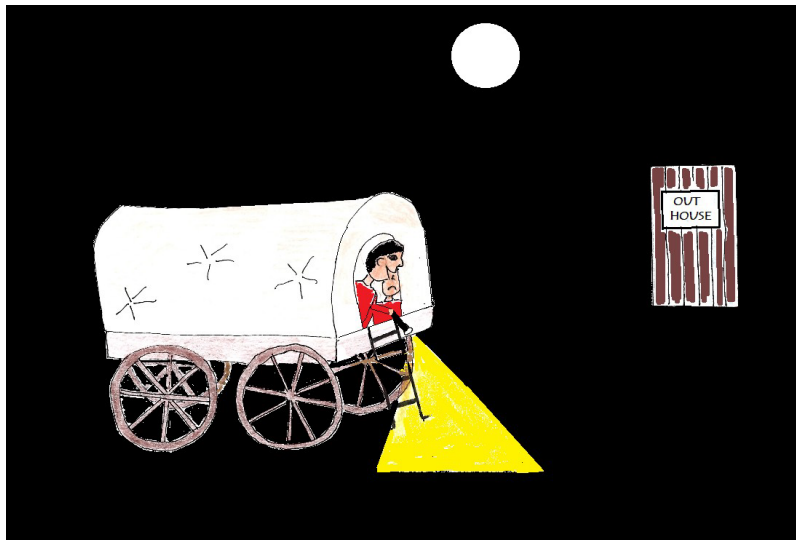
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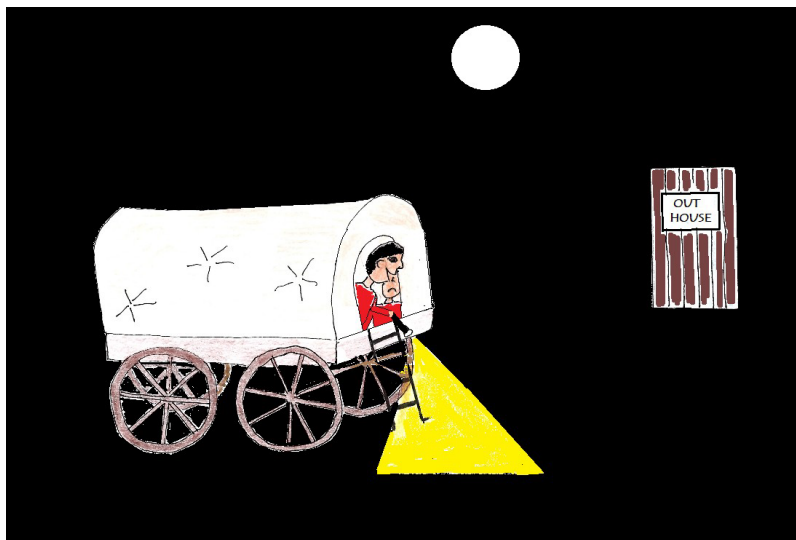
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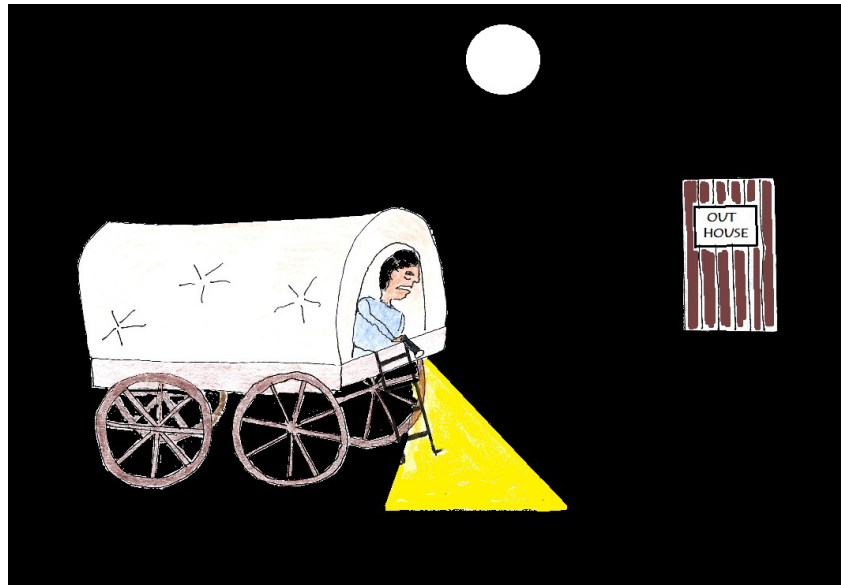
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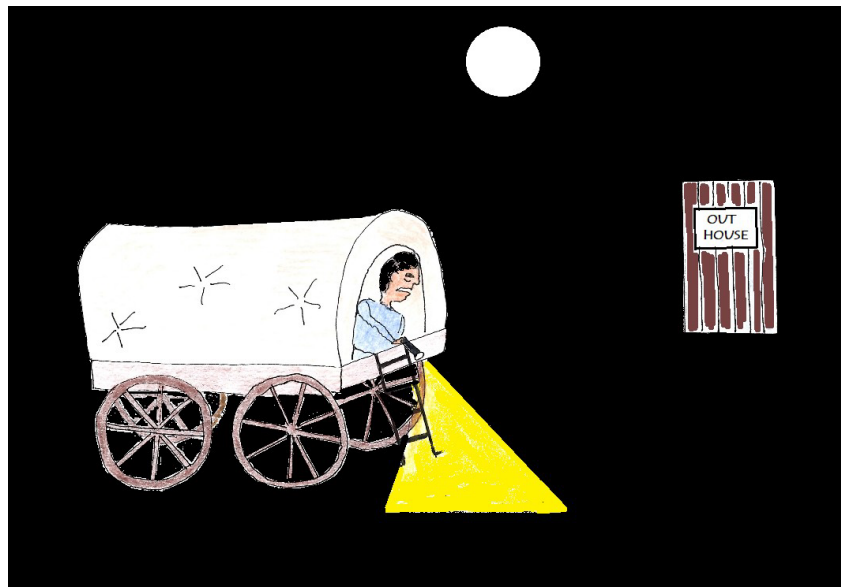
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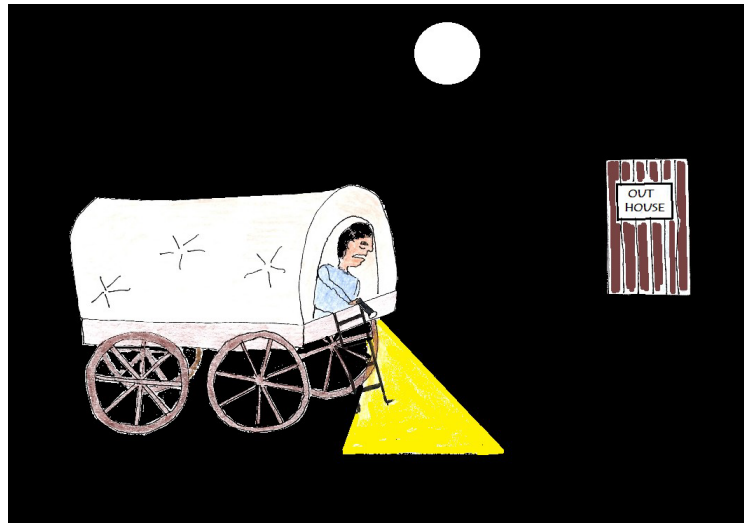
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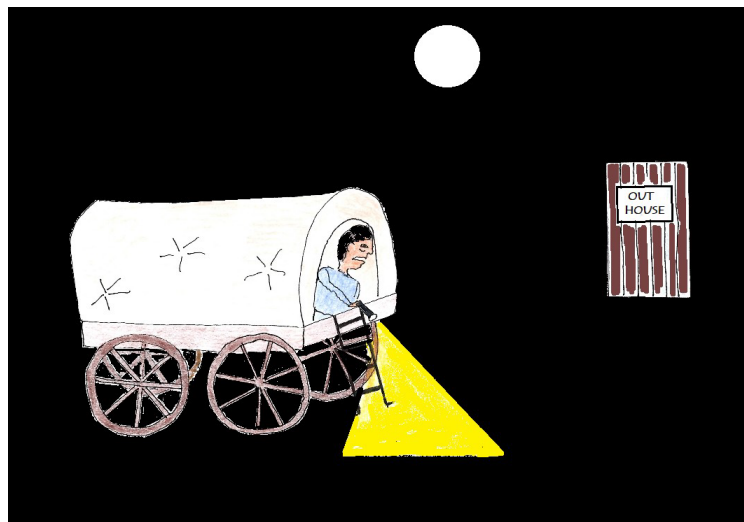
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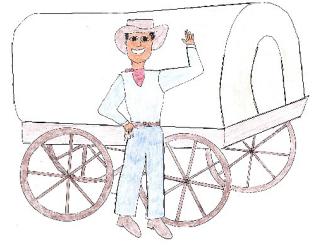
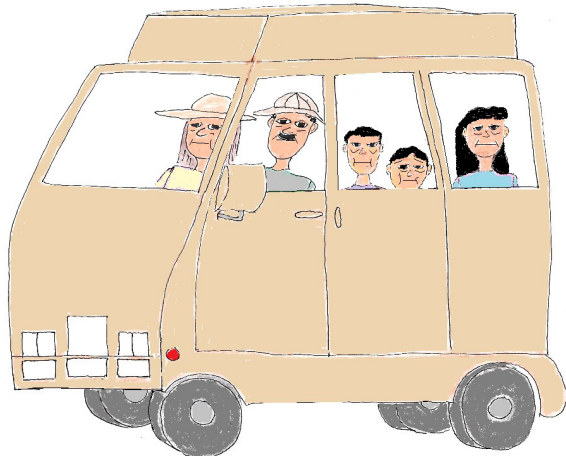
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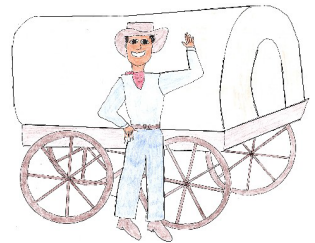
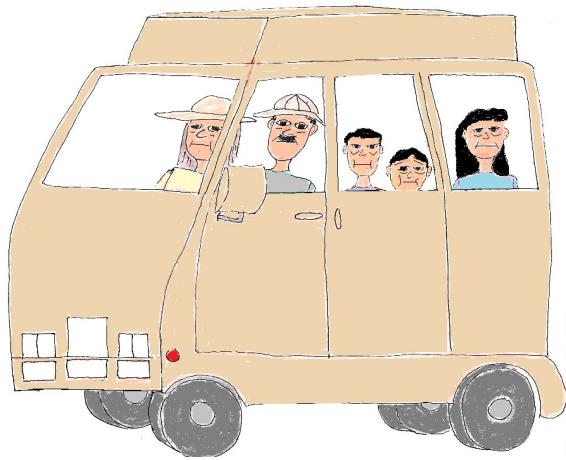
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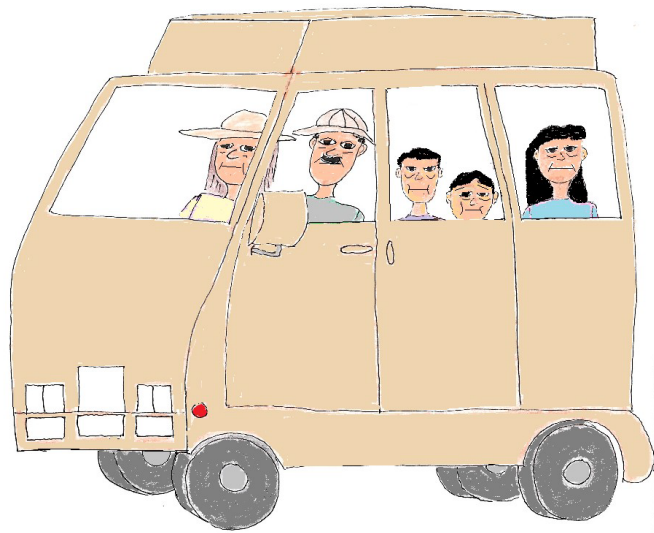


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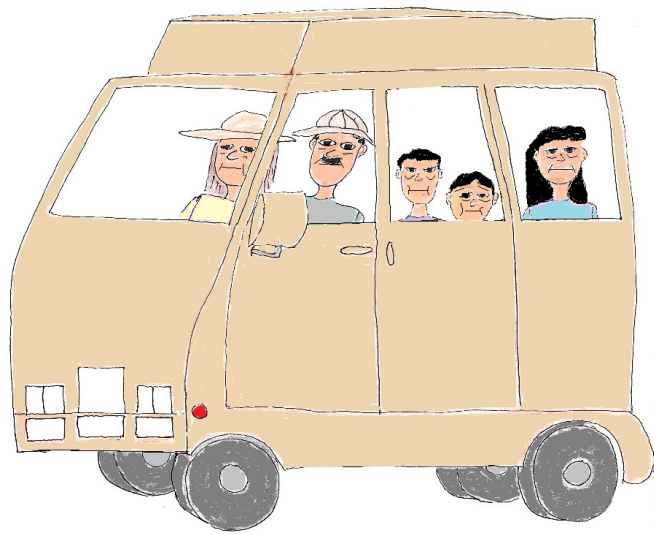


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**They were glad to go home,  
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Short Aa as in "AN" Word Family Words

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I've made so many mistakes I must confess.  
I repent of them now and turn from them.  
I no longer want that mess.  
Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God  
and believe in your resurrection.  
I want to be a child of God  
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Come into my heart.  
Cleanse me now of all unrighteousness  
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I want to start learning today.  
I want my life to take a turn  
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