

Name: _____

The First Transcontinental Railroad

Why Build a Transcontinental Railroad?

Getting started...

- Choosing a route

- Conquering the Sierra Nevada

- Gaining government support

- Who will pay?

Who made it possible?

- Key Players
 - Grenville Dodge
 - Theodore Judah

What made it possible?

- Pacific Railway Act (July 1, 1862)

The Game Plan

Significance of the Railroad