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Reporting Back

Directions: Pretend you are Captain Meriwether Lewis. Write a formal letter to President Thomas Jefferson summarizing key findings from the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Use proper letter format, strong historical evidence, and clear organization.



Your letter should include:

- A heading with date and greeting
- A clear introduction explaining the progress of the expedition
- At least three major findings (examples below)
- A concluding statement or request for further direction
- A formal and respectful tone throughout

Possible topics to include:

- Geography and mapmaking achievements
- Interactions with Native peoples
- New plants and animals discovered
- Challenges faced (example: Rocky Mountains, river hazards)

Date: _____

Dear President Jefferson,

Sincerely,

Captain Meriwether Lewis