A. Events in U.S. Westward Expansion

Louisiana Purchase, 1803 Lewis and Clark explore the west, 1804 War of 1812 Expulsion of the Cherokee from the East Coast, 1833 Texas Revolution, 1836 Texas Annexation, 1845 Division of Oregon, 1846 Mexican-American War, 1846 Gold discovered in California, 1848 Gadsden Purchase, 1853

B. John L. O'Sullivan, 1845: "Our manifest destiny is to overspread the continent alloted by providence for the free development of our yealy multiplying millions." What does Sullivan mean? Whose land is he talking about? Why did Americans want to believe this?

Immigration to the United States

Decade	Irish	German	Other
1831-40	35%	25%	40%
1841-50	46%	25%	29%
1851-60	35%	37%	28%