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Lewis and Clark at Three Forks, 1912

Artist: Edgar Samuel Paxson

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ANSWER KEY

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The seventh person is Sacagawea's son. He is being carried on her

back. He helped their relationship with Native Americans because

his presence made the explorers seem peaceful.

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Answers will vary but should indicate exploration of the

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