### TOPIC: U.S. Geography

#### OUTLINE

1. U.S. locations
2. U.S. regions
3. U.S. transportation
4. How The United States has changed

#### VOCABULARY

boundary  
location  
distance  
transportation  
geography  
transform  
improve  
build  
environment  
region  
area  
construction  
country  
direction  
cardinal direction  
intermediate direction

Expand this list each week.

#### Read to Learn: Week 1
- What we’ll read this week to learn about this topic:
  - Newspaper articles about important places in the U.S.

#### Read to Learn: Week 2
- What we’ll read this week to learn about this topic:
  - Book about U.S. region.

#### Read to Learn: Week 3
- What we’ll read this week to learn about this topic:
  - Book about transportation

#### Read to Learn: Week 4
- What we’ll read this week to learn about this topic:
  - U.S. history textbook.

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**Reading Goals we will work on as we read about the topic:**

State Goal 1: Read with **understanding** and **fluency**.

State Goal 5: Use the language arts for **inquiry** and **research** to **acquire**, **organize**, **analyze**, **evaluate**, and **communicate** information.