

Passport to New Worlds Reading



Grades 2 – 3

Welcome, Traveler!



This passport belongs to:

A large, empty rectangular box with a dotted border, intended for a traveler to write their name or add a sticker.

Prepare for an incredible adventure! It's time to load up and hit the open road for a journey to exciting destinations across the United States. Each month, you'll have the chance to explore and learn all about a new place!

So, fasten your seatbelt as you:

- Discover fascinating facts on your road trip!
- Complete fun activities that match the books you read!
- Mark your road trip passport with a sticker for every new place you visit!

And, of course, get ready for a whole lot of fun throughout the entire journey! Double-check that you've packed everything you need because your amazing adventure begins right now!

Road Trip Reading Roadmap

Before You Hit the Road and Read

Cover Exploration: Explore the front and back covers to uncover hints about the exciting story inside!

Share Your Knowledge: Tell your fellow travelers (friends) what you already know about the book's subject.



During the Reading Expedition

Get Cozy for the Journey: Find a comfy spot, and dive into the reading journey.

Rest Stop Discussions: Take breaks to chat about the unfolding story. Share your predictions.

Explore Extra Features: Discover photos and Illustrations for a deeper understanding of the adventure.



After the Road Trip

Personal Connection Point: Reflect on how the book connects with your own experiences.

Word Souvenirs: Discuss and remember new words as keepsakes from your literary road trip.

Map Out the Next Adventure: Plan your way to the library for your next thrilling read!



LEARNER'S LICENSE

Are you geared up for an amazing adventure? Grab your Learner's License, and prepare to hit the road! Fill out your details, and fasten your seatbelt for an extraordinary journey, exploring different cities across the United States throughout the year. Buckle up for the ride!

Learner's Name:

Age:

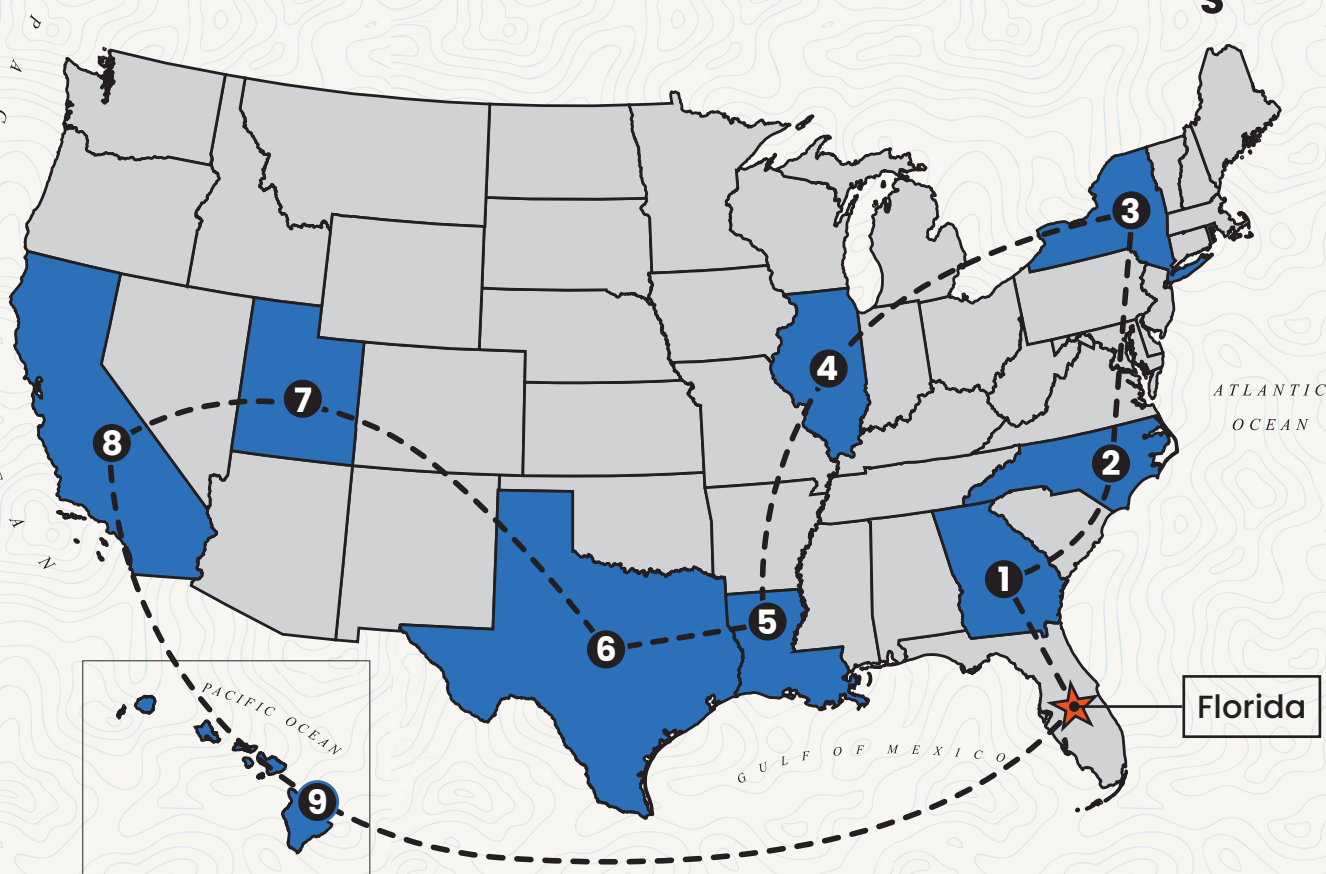
Starting Point:

(your hometown in Florida, U.S.A.)

Places I Want to Explore in the United States:

- _____
- _____
- _____

Get ready to cruise through the pages and explore the wonders of the U.S., one book at a time!



1. Georgia
2. North Carolina
3. New York
4. Illinois
5. Louisiana
6. Texas
7. Utah
8. California
9. Hawaii

October

Location: Southeastern region of the U.S.

Nickname: The Peach State

Fun Fact: Atlanta is the birthplace of Martin Luther King, Jr., a leader who fought for equality and justice.

Animals: White-tailed deer, eastern gray squirrels, and eastern box turtles

Explore Georgia, where peaches grow, and Southern charm shines.



After reading your book, pick a character, and have fun listing three words to describe them, using evidence from the story to support your choices!



Character Traits:

Story Title: _____

Character: _____

1st Trait: _____ 2nd Trait: _____

Evidence from the text: Evidence from the text:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____



Time to wave bye to the friendly welcomes and sweet peachy vibes of Georgia, and venture to North Carolina's rolling hills and charming towns, where new adventures and discoveries await!

Georgia

November

Location: Southeastern region of the U.S.

Nickname: Tar Heel State

Fun Fact: Blackbeard, the famous pirate, roamed these seas!

Animals: Black bears, white-tailed deer, and eastern box turtles

Explore North Carolina's natural wonders and rich history, ranging from the Great Smoky Mountains to the Wright brothers' first flight.



After reading your book, make a connection between something you read and something from your life, another text, or the world around you!

When I read ...

It made me think of ...

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

This is a ...

- ☐ Text-to-Self Connection
- ☐ Text-to-Text Connection
- ☐ Text-to-World Connection



Time to leave the cozy hills of North Carolina and continue to the busy streets of New York. Get ready for new adventures and discoveries in the "Empire State"!

December

Location: U.S. East Coast
Nickname: The Empire State
Fun Fact: The Statue of Liberty has 354 steps leading to the crown.

Animals: Home to squirrels, deer, and even eagles that soar high in the sky

New York



Welcome to New York, where towering skyscrapers and Central Park adventures await.

After reading your book, pick three words you didn't understand, and become a word detective by finding and writing down their meanings! Share your findings with an adult.

Interesting Word

What I Think the Word Means



Say goodbye to New York. Now, for even more adventures, zoom over to the fun cities and open fields of Illinois, the "Land of Lincoln"!

January

Location: Midwest region of the U.S.
Nickname: The Prairie State
Fun Fact: Springfield, the capital of Illinois, is where Abraham Lincoln, a very important president, lived.
Animals: Raccoons, deer mice, and bobcats

Illinois



Discover Illinois, where skyscrapers touch the sky in Chicago, and fields of corn stretch as far as the eye can see in the farmlands.

After reading your book, imagine turning your story into a film. Share the exciting changes you'd make for an epic adventure! Have fun designing a movie poster!

Coming Soon

(Title)

based on the book by

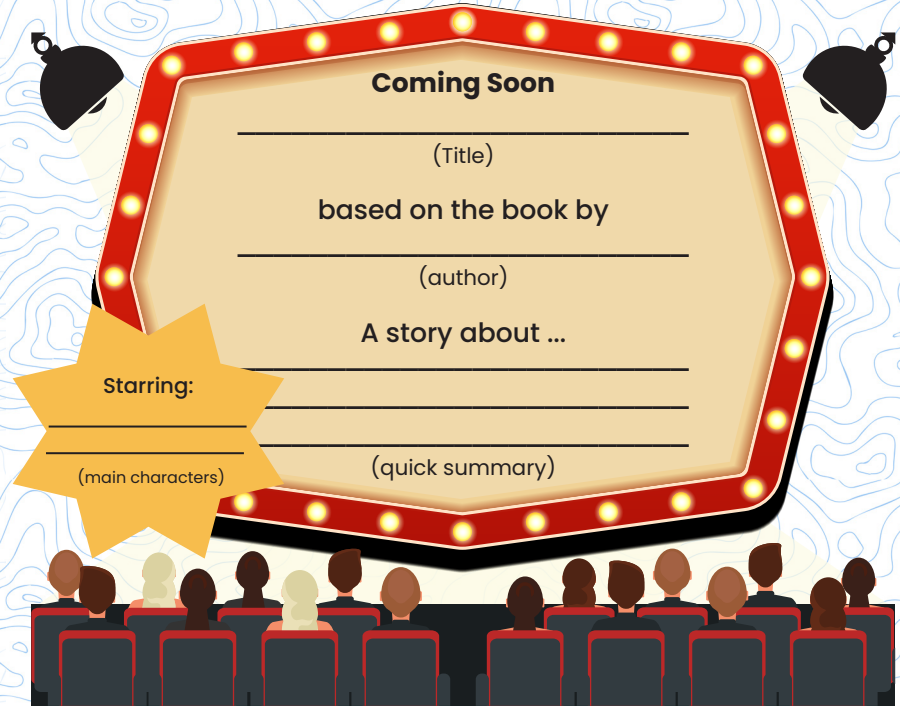
(author)

A story about ...

Starring:

(main characters)

(quick summary)



Travel from the busy streets of Illinois to Louisiana's lively bayous, and get ready for great adventures and tasty foods!

February

Location: Southeastern region of the U.S.

Nickname: The Pelican State

Fun Fact: New Orleans is known as the birthplace of jazz music!

Animals: Alligators, crawfish, and bald eagles

Explore the lively bayous and tasty cuisine of Louisiana, where alligators roam, and jazz music fills the air.



After reading your book, compare and contrast the setting with your home, exploring how they are similar and different.

Setting

Home



As you leave behind the fun of Louisiana, you will continue your journey to Texas, where wide-open spaces and friendly folks are ready to share exciting adventures and cowboy tales!

Louisiana

March

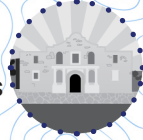
Location: West South Central region of the U.S.

Nickname: The Lone Star State

Fun Fact: Chili, the official state dish of Texas, is often made without beans.

Animals: Nine-banded armadillos, Texas longhorns, and Mexican free-tailed bats

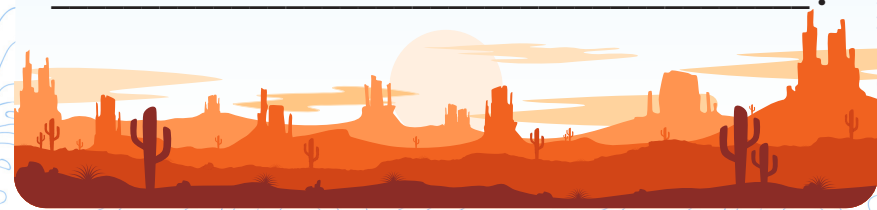
Yee-haw! Welcome to Texas, where wide-open spaces and cowboy tales await.



After reading your book, write a brief summary, including the main idea and key details from the story, to share with your fellow adventurers!

TITLE: _____ **AUTHOR:** _____

SUMMARY: _____



Leaving the Lone Star State's big landscapes behind, get ready for fantastic scenery, like the red rock wonders of Utah, where cool discoveries and outdoor adventures are waiting!

April

Location: Western region of the U.S.

Nickname: The Beehive State

Fun Fact: Utah has an extra-salty lake called the Great Salt Lake. You can float on the water because it's so salty!

Animals: Home to eighteen species of bats

Welcome to Utah, where towering red rock formations and snowy mountains await.

After reading your book, imagine the author wrote a second book with the same characters. Draw a new book cover illustrating the characters' next thrilling adventure exploring Utah's wild landscapes!

Utah



Design a book cover!

Exploring the awesome landscapes in Utah was cool. Next up, from great bridges and pretty beaches to incredibly large trees, prepare for your next stop in California!

May

Location: U.S. West Coast

Nickname: The Golden State

Fun Fact: It is the third-largest state in the U.S.!

Animals: Sea otters, dolphins, and bears

Explore California, where giant redwood trees and sunny beaches await.

After reading your book, write three questions you'd like to ask the author about the story.

California



1. _____

_____ ?

2. _____

_____ ?

3. _____

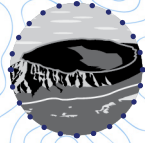
_____ ?

From the sunny beaches of California, to the tropical magic of Hawaii, wave *aloha* to your next adventure!

June

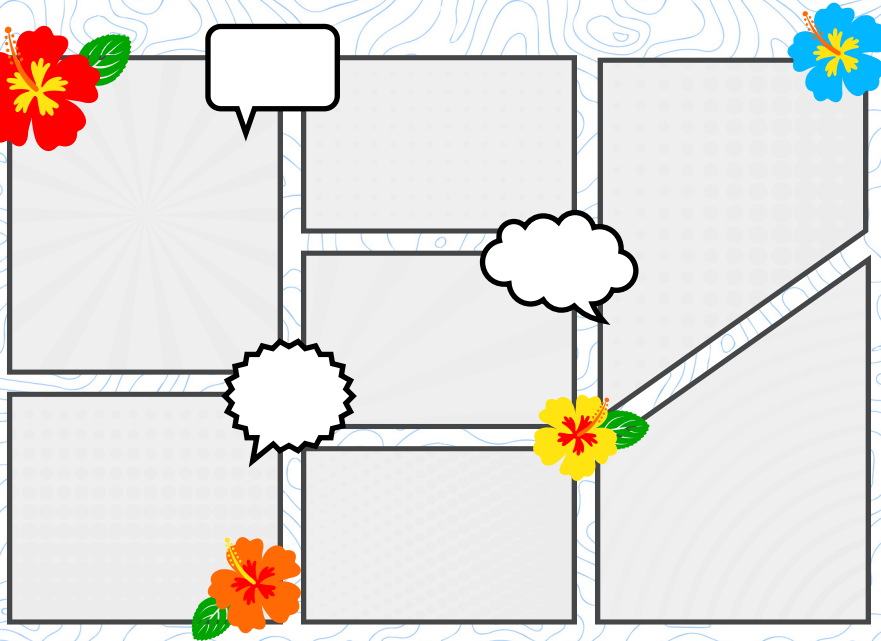
Location: Central Pacific Ocean
Nickname: The Aloha State
Fun Fact: It is made up of islands formed by volcanoes.
Animals: Whales, dolphins, and endangered Hawaiian monk seals

Hawaii



Fly across the vast Pacific Ocean to Hawaii (spelled *Hawai'i* by the Hawaiian people), where colorful fish dance beneath crystal-clear waters, and volcanoes paint the land with lava.

After reading your book, pick your favorite part. Bring it to life by creating a cool comic strip that shows the events in order!



 *You cannot drive to Hawaii because the islands are about 2,400 miles from the U.S. mainland, across a vast ocean with no roads.

Going all the way across the United States is a big trip! Now, it is time to head back to your final stop—your home state, Florida!

On the Road Memories: Share Your Adventure!

Ready to share all the epic adventures with your friends and family? Keep the excitement rolling by listing your three favorite places.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Before you unpack your stuff, there's one more fun thing to do. Pick the absolute best place from your list. Read the questions, and share your answers with a friend or family member.

- Why do you want to go back there?
- Who's coming along with you?
- What's the very first thing you'll do when you get there?

Road Trip Explorer's Log

Flip through your passport once more, and uncover the details to complete the blanks below.

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- A detailed topographic map of a region, likely in the western United States, showing intricate contour lines that represent elevation changes. The map is rendered in shades of blue and white, with the blue areas indicating higher elevations and the white areas indicating lower elevations. The map covers the entire background of the page, providing a geographical context for the quiz questions.
1. _____ is the birthplace of Martin Luther King, Jr.
 2. Chili is the official state dish of _____.
 3. _____ is made up of islands formed by volcanoes.
 4. _____ is the third-largest state in the U.S.
 5. The Wright brothers took their first flight in _____.
 6. Springfield, the capital of _____, is where Abraham Lincoln, a very important president, lived.
 7. _____ has an extra-salty lake called the Great Salt Lake.
 8. The birthplace of jazz music was said to be in New Orleans, _____.
 9. The Statue of Liberty is found in _____.

Answer Key: 1. Georgia 2. Texas 3. Hawaii 4. California 5. North Carolina 6. Illinois 7. Utah 8. Louisiana 9. New York



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