

State Project ~ Exploring the United States

Assignment and Blog Post Requirements

Here are the four states I selected, one from each region of the country:

West:

Midwest:

Northeast:

South:

The state I have decided is # 1 is:

Take some time to [research and explore](#) your state. Look to find a “wonder” in each of the following categories:

- a Natural Wonder (something created by nature – waterfall, lake, canyon, mountain...)
- a Man-Made Wonder (something made by people – a building, bridge, museum...)
- a Historical Wonder (an important piece of history from your state)
- a State Hero (a famous person who was born, grew up in or lives in your state now)
- and the State Symbol you think is most important to your state.

Once you have had a chance to explore your state and found a wonder for each category, create a blog post sharing your discoveries and convincing us that your state is the **NUMBER 1** place in the country to visit.

Your blog post should include:

- A lead, introducing your state in a way that will convince readers to consider your state as a vacation destination. (Information about leads and conclusions is on our [April 1 blog post](#).)
- A map showing which region of the country your state is in.
- A map of your state showing the capital and other major cities.
- An original, well written paragraph for each the wonders
- Each paragraph should be illustrated by at least one picture. (Information about paragraph writing is on our [April 2 blog post](#) and a reminder of elaboration strategies for quality writing is on our [April 27 post](#))
- A conclusion, wrapping up your post and persuading readers one last time to visit your state.