

Moving Georgia Forward

How transportation systems create jobs across Georgia.

SS8E1.b "Explain how the four transportation systems provide jobs for Georgians."

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1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the name of each of the four transportation systems, circle one job connected to each system, and number the systems 1 through 4 to show how transportation creates work in Georgia.

Transportation at Work

- ① Georgia's transportation systems move people and products across the state and beyond it. The four systems are roads, railroads, air transportation, and water transportation. Each system needs workers to build routes, operate vehicles, move cargo, maintain equipment, and serve travelers. These jobs support other Georgia businesses too. A grocery store can sell food shipped by truck, train, plane, or ship. When transportation workers keep goods moving, farmers, factories, stores, and customers can do their work.
- ② Road transportation employs highway construction crews, mechanics, delivery drivers, warehouse workers, and bus drivers. Trucks carry many products between Georgia farms, factories, ports, stores, and homes. Rail transportation creates jobs for track repair crews, locomotive engineers, conductors, dispatchers, and workers who load freight cars. Trains can move heavy cargo over long distances. A dispatcher helps trains use tracks safely and on schedule, while maintenance crews inspect and repair rails, signals, and crossings, especially in busy rail yards.
- ③ Air transportation provides jobs at airports and for airlines. Pilots, flight attendants, air traffic controllers, baggage handlers, aircraft mechanics, security workers, and cargo agents all help planes carry passengers and products. Water transportation creates jobs along Georgia's coast and rivers. At the Port of Savannah, crane operators, dockworkers, ship pilots, logistics planners, and customs specialists help load, unload, inspect, and direct cargo. These workers connect Georgia companies with markets in other states, countries, and regions around the world.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Name the four transportation systems that provide jobs for Georgians.

2 How do road transportation and rail transportation each provide jobs? Give one job from each system.

3 Name two air transportation jobs. What do these workers help planes carry?

4 How do water transportation workers at the Port of Savannah help Georgia businesses?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Choose a product made or grown in Georgia. Write three sentences explaining how two transportation systems could move it and what one worker in each system does to help the product reach customers.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the name of each of the four transportation systems, circle one job connected to each system, and number the systems 1 through 4 to show how transportation creates work in Georgia. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Name the four transportation systems that provide jobs for Georgians.	Roads, railroads, air transportation, and water transportation.
2	How do road transportation and rail transportation each provide jobs? Give one job from each system.	Road transportation employs workers such as delivery drivers, mechanics, bus drivers, warehouse workers, and construction crews. Rail transportation employs workers such as locomotive engineers, conductors, dispatchers, track repair crews, and freight loaders.
3	Name two air transportation jobs. What do these workers help planes carry?	Answers may include pilots, flight attendants, air traffic controllers, baggage handlers, aircraft mechanics, security workers, or cargo agents. They help planes carry passengers and products.
4	How do water transportation workers at the Port of Savannah help Georgia businesses?	They load, unload, inspect, and direct cargo, helping connect Georgia companies with markets in other states and countries.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A furniture factory in Georgia sends chairs by truck to an airport. A delivery driver takes the chairs to the airport, and a cargo agent loads them onto a plane. Their jobs help the factory reach customers in another state.

Accept any realistic Georgia product and any two of the four transportation systems. The response should explain a job performed by one worker in each chosen system and connect those jobs to moving the product to customers.