Where States Meet

Read clues about lines that separate states.

2.SS.2.1.f "identifying boundary lines to separate states; and"

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1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle the names of the states on each side of a boundary. Underline the words that tell what the boundary follows or what shape it has.

Crossing State Lines

1. A boat crosses the Mississippi River. Along part of this river, Iowa lies on one side and Illinois lies on the other. The state boundary follows the river here. The boat travels from one state to the other.

2. Imagine a map with Wyoming above Colorado. A straight boundary line separates these states. You will not find a long line painted on the land. The line on the map shows where one state ends and the other begins.

3. A car passes a sign that says, "Welcome to Kansas." Just behind the car is Missouri. At this spot, a straight boundary line separates Kansas and Missouri. The road crosses the line, but the road is not the boundary.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which two states does the boundary along the Mississippi River separate?

2. What shape is the boundary line between Wyoming and Colorado on a map?

3. Is the road the boundary between Kansas and Missouri? What crosses the road?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Draw two made-up states that share a boundary. Name both states, label the boundary line, and put a dot in each state.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle the names of the states on each side of a boundary. Underline the words that tell what the boundary follows or what shape it has. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which two states does the boundary along the Mississippi River separate?	**Iowa and Illinois.**
2	What shape is the boundary line between Wyoming and Colorado on a map?	**It is a straight line.**
3	Is the road the boundary between Kansas and Missouri? What crosses the road?	**No. A straight boundary line crosses the road.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A wavy line divides the box. One side is labeled Pine State, and the other is labeled Lake State. The wavy line is labeled "state boundary." Each state has one dot.

Accept any line that separates two named states, with a dot on each side. The line may be straight or curved.