

# Roads and New Nations

Describe how people helped communities grow or begin.

**3.1.C** “describe how individuals, including Daniel Boone and the Founding Fathers have contributed to the expansion of existing communities or to the creation of new communities.”

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## 1 READ AND MARK \_\_\_\_\_ Read it twice

**YOUR JOB** Underline each person or group named in the passage. Circle the words that tell how each one helped a community grow or helped create a new community.

### People Who Connected Communities

- ① Long before Daniel Boone traveled west, Indigenous peoples lived in the Kentucky region. In 1775, the Transylvania Company hired Boone to help blaze the Wilderness Road through the Cumberland Gap. This path gave settlers from eastern colonies a route into Kentucky. Boone also helped establish Boonesborough, a fortified settlement. The road brought more families, who built homes, farms, and nearby communities.
- ② The Founding Fathers were leaders who helped the thirteen colonies become the United States. In 1776, some of them signed the Declaration of Independence. Later, delegates including George Washington, James Madison, and Benjamin Franklin helped shape the Constitution in 1787. Their work joined the states in one new national community, with shared laws and a government.
- ③ Boone and the Founding Fathers contributed in different ways. Boone made travel easier for settlers moving into Kentucky, so settlements there could grow. The Founding Fathers built a new nation from the former colonies. Both helped people connect, but Boone's work led to new local communities, while the founders' work united communities as states in one nation.

**2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE** \_\_\_\_\_ Use the passage

**1** How did Daniel Boone's work on the Wilderness Road help communities grow?

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**2** What settlement did Daniel Boone help establish?

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**3** How did the Founding Fathers help create a new national community?

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**4** How was Boone's contribution different from the Founding Fathers' contribution?

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**3 YOUR TURN** \_\_\_\_\_ Your own words

Imagine a person helping a town grow or helping start a new community. Write three sentences that tell what the person did and how the action changed the community.

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**PART 1 • READ AND MARK**

Underline each person or group named in the passage. Circle the words that tell how each one helped a community grow or helped create a new community. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

**PART 2 • ANSWERS**

| # | QUESTION                                                                        | ANSWER                                                                                                                                              |
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| 1 | How did Daniel Boone's work on the Wilderness Road help communities grow?       | <b>The road gave settlers a route into Kentucky. More families came and built homes, farms, and nearby communities.</b>                             |
| 2 | What settlement did Daniel Boone help establish?                                | <b>Boonesborough.</b>                                                                                                                               |
| 3 | How did the Founding Fathers help create a new national community?              | <b>They helped the thirteen colonies become the United States and joined the states with shared laws and a government.</b>                          |
| 4 | How was Boone's contribution different from the Founding Fathers' contribution? | <b>Boone helped settlers travel into Kentucky and build local communities. The Founding Fathers united former colonies as states in one nation.</b> |

**PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)**

Maya dug a well beside the new road. Families stopped there for water and decided to build houses nearby. Her work helped start a new community.

Accept any accurate description of a person's action and a clear explanation of how it helps an existing community expand or helps create a new one. Student responses may describe an imagined community.