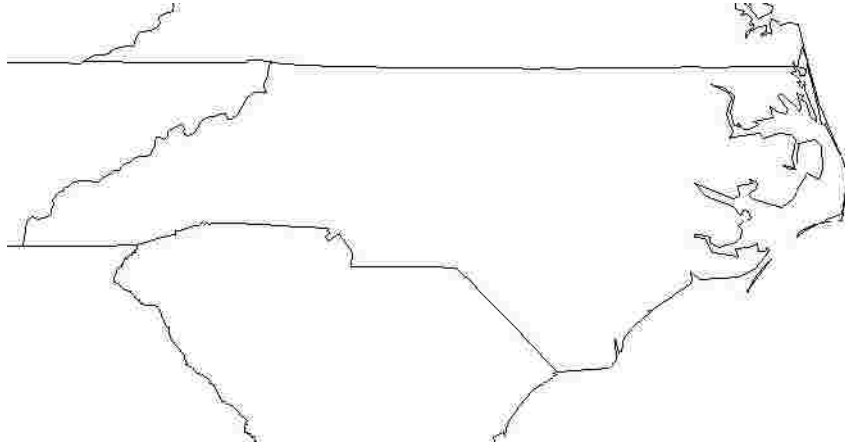


Mount Airy Museum of Regional History Pre Visit Activities

Lay of the Land

1. Label the major geographic regions on this map of North Carolina.



2. Why were the mountains of North Carolina difficult for people to settle?

Growing Up Native American

3. Define the terms wigwam and teepee. How are these two structures different?



4. How did the native peoples help the settlers?
5. What happened to Native Americans once more settlers moved into their land?

6. How did children play a role in village life for Native Americans?

Movin' Along

7. Define these key terms and people: Great Wagon Road, the Scots-Irish, the Germans and the Moravians.

8. Why was trade important to the early settlers?

9. What year did settlers begin to move from the Coastal Plain to the Mountain region of North Carolina?



Life on the Frontier

10. Why was water so important to settlers? Be sure to define the term grist mill in your answer.



11. What was daily life like on the North Carolina frontier?

12. Why do you think settlers began to move from other areas to North Carolina's mountains?

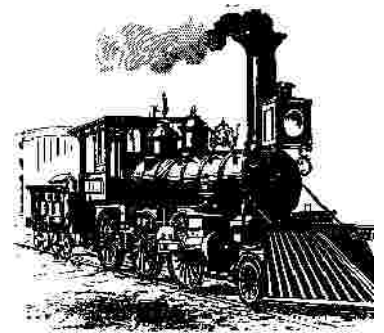
Railroad's Comin' Round the Bend

- 13 Define these key terms: plank road, rail road, Rip Van Winkle state.

- 14 What type of transportation did most settlers use to travel long distances before railroads?

- 15 How did railroads improve trade throughout the state?

- 16 How did railroads help the expansion of the backcountry?



Keeping the Factory Hot

- 17 Define these key terms: bright leaf tobacco, Tobacco Road, railroad towns.

- 18 How did the growth of industry affect new towns?

