

ANSWER KEY -- Worksheet 3: Reading Comprehension

Answer the following questions based on what you learned from reading the "Need for Speed" issue of *Kansas Kaleidoscope*.

1. What trails did Native Americans follow?

Buffalo trails

2. Why were American businessmen pleased when Mexico won its independence from Spain?

They could legally trade with Mexicans in Santa Fe.

3. Name two animals used to pull wagons on the overland trails in 1880s.

oxen
mules
horses

4. Why did miners rush across Kansas to California in 1849?

To mine for gold.

5. What were the two earliest railroads to cross Kansas?

The Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad
The Kansas Pacific Railroad

6. Name one Kansan who was important to the expansion of automobile usage?

Chrysler founded an automobile company
F.W. "Woody" Hockaday marked highways Eisenhower started the interstate highway system

7. Name two men who founded aviation companies in Wichita.

Walter Beech
Clyde Cessna
Lloyd Stearman

8. In what ways are today's highways as important as the early trails across Kansas?

They still transport people, goods, and services to and from, and throughout Kansas.

