# West Virginia Day STATE'S HISTORY READING COMPREHENSION



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# LEARNING ABOUT THE STATE'S HISTORY

Let's take a journey back in time to learn about the history of our state. By understanding the past, we can better appreciate the present and shape the future.

## **EARLY SETTLERS**

Long ago, before our state was even a state, there were Native American tribes living here. They hunted, fished, and lived off the land, leaving behind fascinating artifacts that tell us about their way of life.



## EXPLORERS AND PIONEERS

In the 1600s and 1700s, European explorers like John Smith and Daniel Boone came to our state in search of adventure and new opportunities. They blazed trails, built settlements, and traded with the Native Americans they encountered.



## THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

During the American Revolution in the late 1700s, our state played an important role. Many brave soldiers from our state fought for freedom against British rule. Their sacrifices helped shape the course of history.

## **BECOMING A STATE**

In the 1800s, our state was born! After years of struggle and hard work, we became an official state in the United States of America. It was a proud moment for everyone who called our state home.

## THE CIVIL WAR

One of the most significant events in our state's history was the Civil War. Families were divided, and battles raged across our land. The war left scars that would take years to heal, but it also paved the way for a brighter future.

## READING COMPREHENSION

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## INDUSTRIALIZATION

In the late 1800s and early 1900s, our state became a hub of industry. Coal mining, timbering, and manufacturing fueled our economy and brought jobs to our communities. Our state was booming with growth and opportunity.



## CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

In the 20th century, our state played a role in the Civil Rights Movement. People fought for equality and justice for all, regardless of race, gender, or background. Their courage and determination brought about positive change.

## CONCLUSION

Learning about our state's history is like uncovering a treasure trove of stories and lessons. It reminds us of where we come from and inspires us to create a better future. Let's continue to explore and learn about the rich tapestry of our state's past!

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