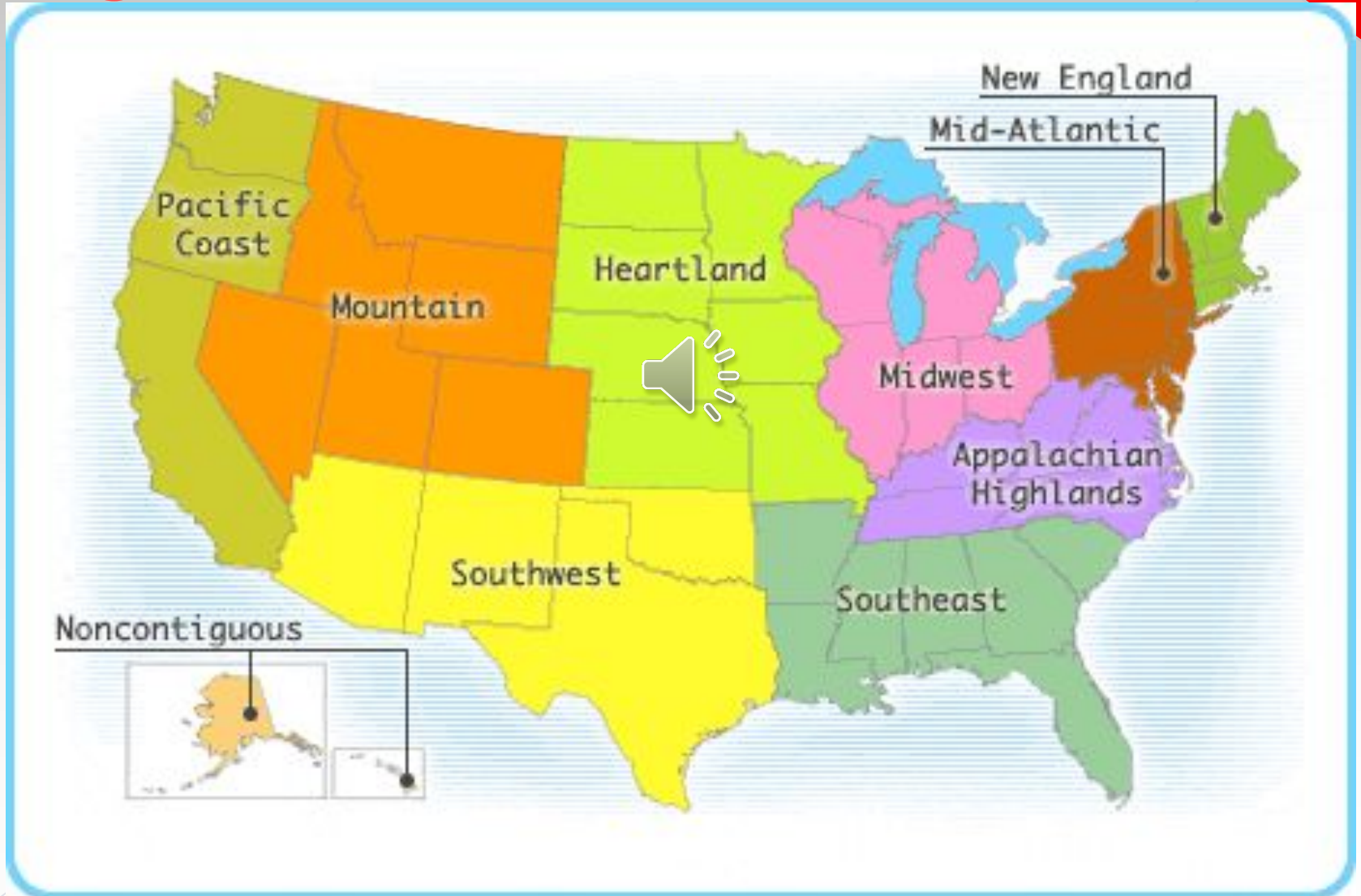


# US Regional Cultures

# The United States



# Regions of the United States





# The Northeast

- Maine
- New Hampshire
- Vermont
- Massachusetts
- Connecticut
- Rhode Island
- New York
- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- Delaware
- Maryland



# New England

- ◉ Location of the first European settlements
- ◉ Heart of American history through the Revolutionary War
- ◉ Birthplace of American literature, philosophy, & education
- ◉ Renowned for its Autumn beauty & maple syrup

# In the Northeast



- US's federal, financial, and military capitol
- America's historical & memorial center
- All 8 Ivy League Universities

# Northeaster Culture

- Strong cultural identity to community
- Heavily influenced by English culture
- Most formal of American culture
- Distinct accent
- Less-friendly &
- Fast-paced
- Health conscious



# Taste of New England



- Chowder
- Lobster & clams
- Cranberry sauce
- Maple Syrup
- Blueberry pancakes
- Boston creme pie, donuts, & pastries
- Hot dogs, baked beans, & crab cakes
- Homemade ice cream



# The South

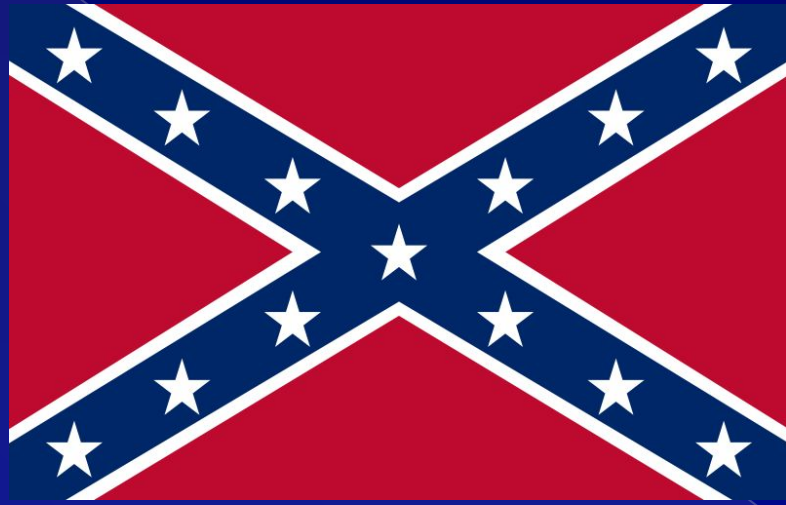
- Virginia
- West Virginia
- Kentucky
- Tennessee
- North Carolina
- South Carolina
- Arkansas
- Louisiana
- Mississippi
- Alabama
- Georgia
- Florida



# The South is Known for...

- Country living & southern plantations
- Southern accents
- Hospitality
- Fried food
- Friendliness
- Religious
- Country &





## Also in the South...

- Many cultural contrasts
- “Old” families & long-held traditions
- Deep loyalties
- Civil War history
- Civil rights conflicts
- Racial tension





# Fried Green Tomatoes?





# Fried Catfish?



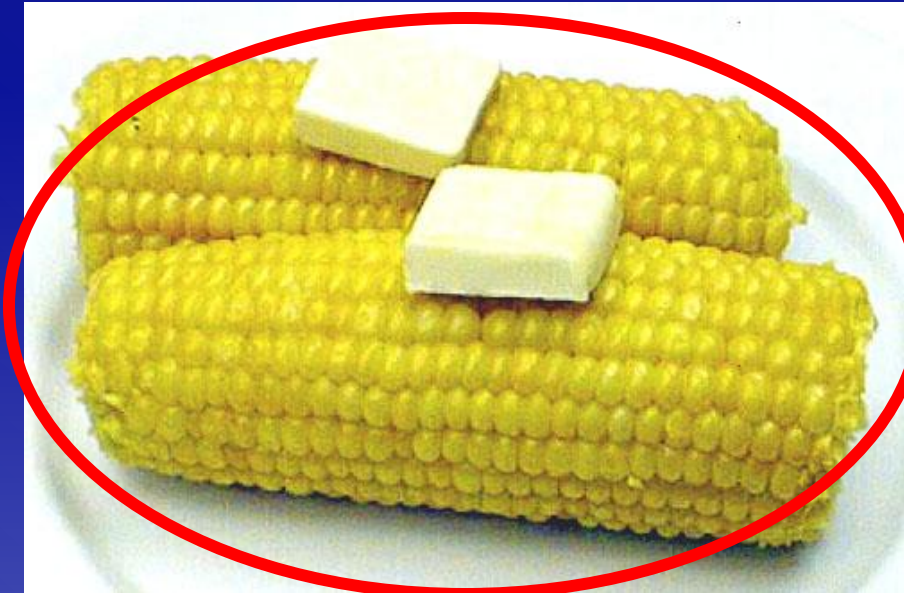


**Cornbread**  
**Hushpuppies**  
**Biscuits**





# Corn on the Cob?





Collard Greens?







Grits?





Gumbo?





Black Eyed Peas?



# The Midwest

- Ohio
- Michigan
- Indiana
- Illinois
- Wisconsin
- Minnesota
- North Dakota
- South Dakota
- Nebraska
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Missouri
- Oklahoma



# Defining Features

- Great Lakes
- Great Plains
- Mississippi River
- Fields of Crops





# Midwest Culture

- Founded on farming & still the center of American agriculture
- Conservative values both politically and religiously
- Strong bond to family and the land
- Least traveled compared to others in the country
- Known for “small town” feel

# What is a compound word?

A compound word is  
when two words are joined together  
to form a new word.

**bread + basket = breadbasket**

Midwest Compound Word	Definition
Breadbasket	an area where the land is at, near, or below the level of the sea
Cornfield	a canal, river, or lake that is large enough for boats and ships to travel through
Crossroads	the central area of the US which is known for traditional values
Heartland	a field in which corn is grown
Lowlands	an old-style boat that is powered by a large paddle wheel
Paddleboats	open land that farm animals use for grazing and roaming
Rangelands	a region that provides large amounts of food
Waterways	a place where many roads intersect

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graph TD; B[Breadbasket] --> H[Heartland]; C[Cornfield] --> R[Rangelands]; CR[Crossroads] --> CR; HE[Heartland] --> HE; L[Lowlands] --> L; P[Paddleboats] --> P; RA[Rangelands] --> RA; W[Waterways] --> W;
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# The Southwest

- Arizona
- New Mexico
- West Texas
- South Colorado, Utah & Nevada



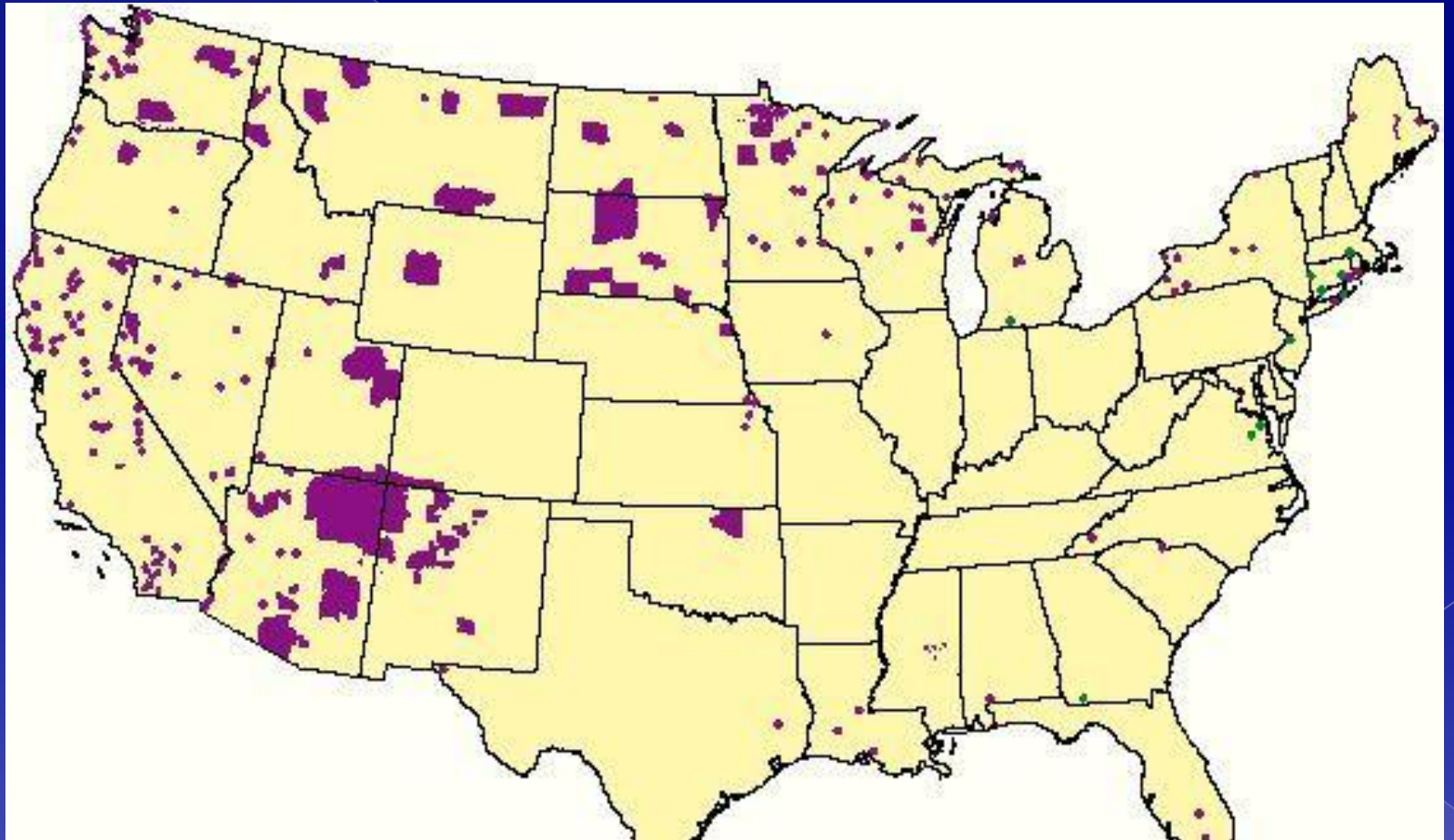
# Southwest Fame

- Dry desert beauty
- Cactus
- Grand Canyon
- Native American Culture
- Mexican Influence



# American Indians

- 310 Indian reservations in the US
- 565 Federally recognized tribes



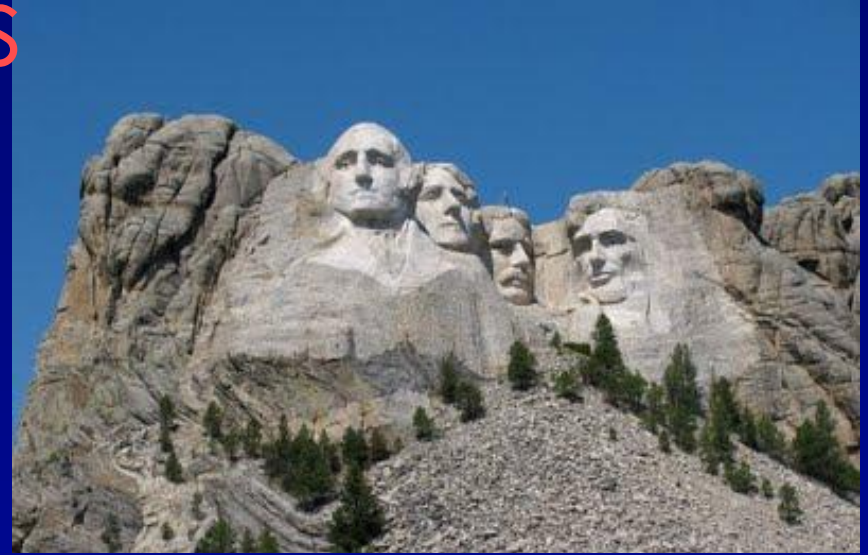
# Cowboy Country

- Montana
- Idaho
- Wyoming
- Nevada
- Utah
- Colorado
- Oklahoma
- Texas



# Mountain States

- Mt. Rushmore
- National Parks
- Rare wildlife
- Rocky Mt. Beauty



# Cowboy Culture

- Rugged
- Dusty
- Slow paced
- Centered around cattle & ranches



# Cowboy Fun - Rodeos



Bucking bronco



Calf roping

# Cowboy Fun - Rodeos



Cattle roping



Sheep riding



# Cowboy Clothes

What protects the cowboy from biting snakes?

**Chaps**



**Boots**



**Holster**



# Cowboy Clothes

What protects the cowboy from dust & sweat?

**Chaps**

**Vest**

**Bandana**



# Cowboy Clothes

What protects the cowboy from sun & rain?

**Hat**



**Chaps**



**Bandana**



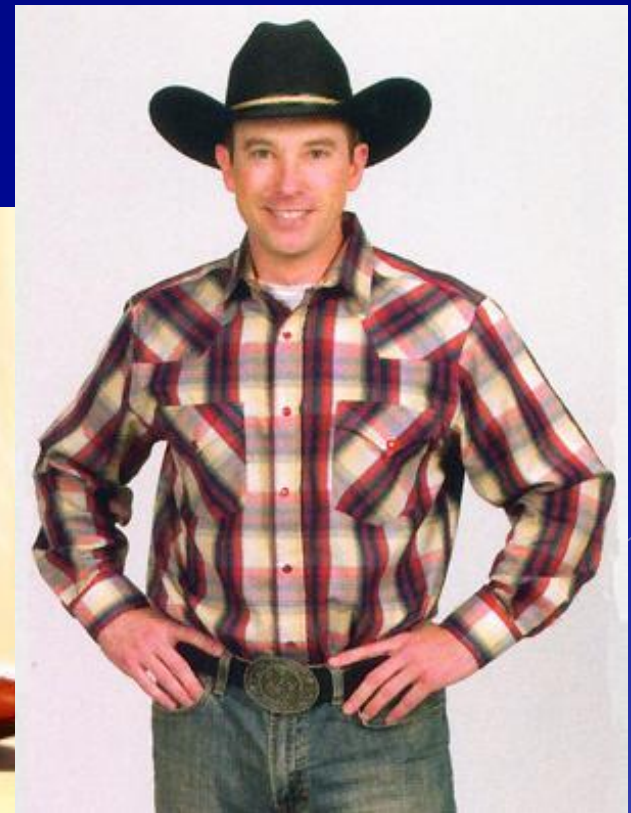
# Cowboy Clothes

What protects the cowboy from bushes & sticks?

**Chaps**

**Boots**

**Shirt**



# Cowboy Clothes

What helps a horse go the right direction?

saddle

spurs

rope



# Cowboy Clothes

What do all these pictures have in common?

-- fringe --



# The West Coast

- Washington
- Oregon
- California



# The West or Pacific Coast



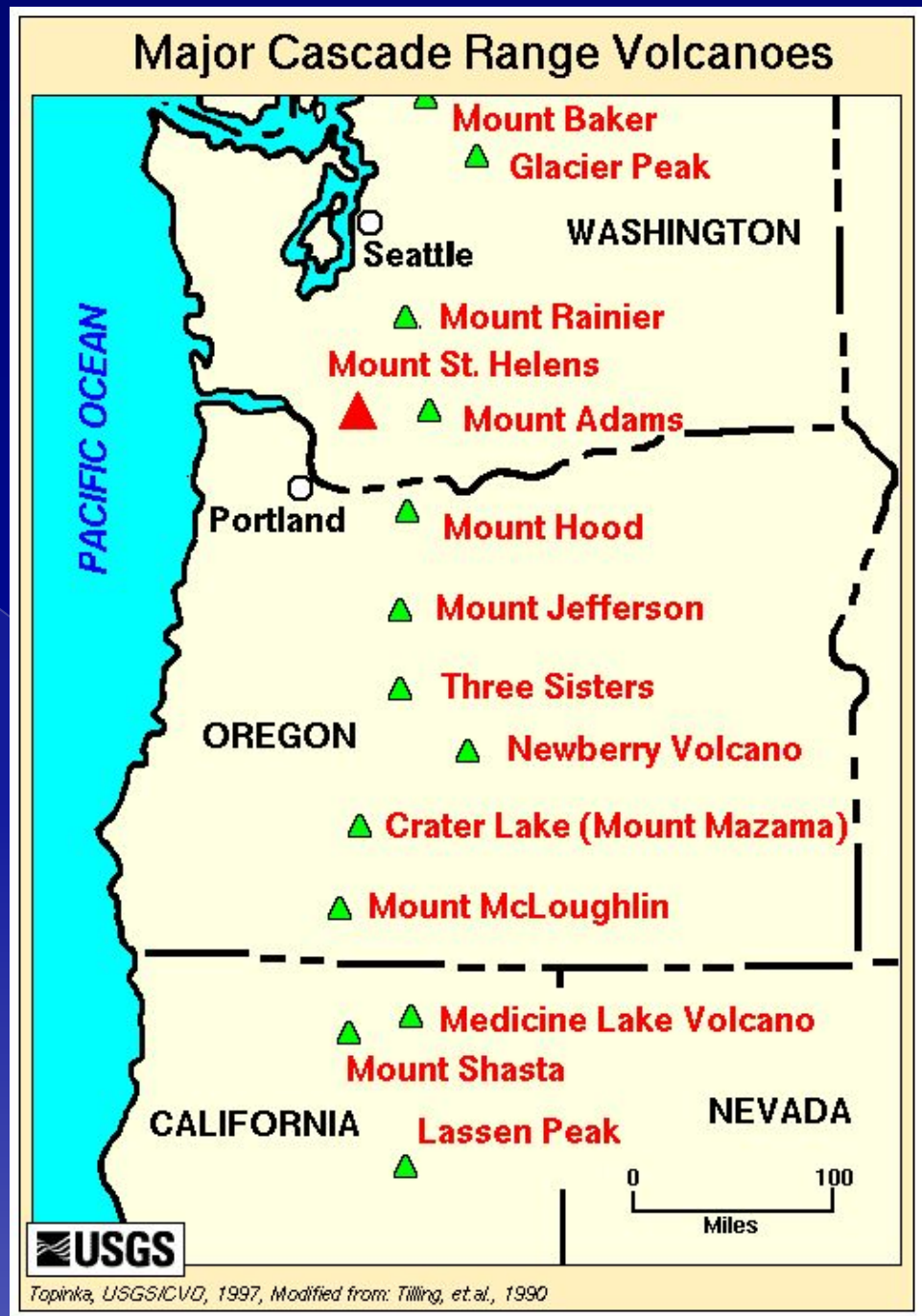


# West Coast Mountains

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# 14 West Coast Volcanic Peaks



# The Cascade Mountain Range



# Mt. Rainier in Seattle, WA



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# Mt. Hood in Portland, OR



# Oregon Coastal Mountains



# Mt. Shasta in Northern California



# Central California Mountains



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# California Desert Mountains



# Los Angeles Mountain Ridges



# West Coast Culture

- Most casual in the US
- Technological
- “On the go”
- Coffee drinkers
- Talk fast
- Lovers of nature
- Entrepreneurial
  - Many major world companies were founded on the West Coast



# This region like to eat:

- Chowder
- Lobster & clams
- Cranberry sauce
- Maple Syrup
- Blueberry pancakes
- New England
- Midwest
- South
- Mid-Atlantic



# What is the South known for?

- Friendliness
- Health conscious
- Fast paced



# The features of West Coast Culture are:

- Technological
- “On the go”
- Coffee drinkers
- Talk fast
- Lovers of nature
- Slow paced
- Centered around cattle & ranches



# For more ideas...

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