## NORTH DAKOTA: PEOPLE LIVING ON THE LAND

## TOPIC 6 -RAILROADS

## Topic Overview

Topic 6 highlights the building of railroads in North Dakota. It includes primary sources that will help you understand how railroads changed the landscape and propelled population growth in the state.

## Topic Objectives

- As a result of the study of Topic 6 , you will be able to
o Analyze and interpret primary documents.
O Follow the progression of railroad technology and how it affected North Dakota.
o Describe the process of railroad-building in North Dakota.


## ND Content Standards

- 8.1.2
- 8.2.11
- 8.5.2
- 8.5.3
- 8.6.1


## Common Core Standards

- RH 2
- RH 7
- WHST 2
- WHST 7


## Topic Activities

- Organizing Data
- Creative Interpretation


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## Organizing Data

Complete the timeline below relating to the growth of railroads in North Dakota. Beside each date, write the key event for that date. Then, write a concluding paragraph.

| 1862 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1868 |  |
| 1871 |  |
| 1873 |  |
| 1876 |  |
| 1882 |  |
| 1893 |  |

## Concluding Paragraph

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## Creative Interpretation

Create an Acrostic Poem using North Dakota Railroads as the topic. From your reading, write a key point for each letter found in North Dakota Railroads. For example, $\mathrm{N}=$ Northern Pacific Railroad reached Bismarck in 1873.
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