

History Inspired Crafts: Come Visit Kentucky!

When was the last time you took a trip, either for a day or a week? What helped persuade you to visit? Each year, millions of people from around the world visit Kentucky for many different reasons. Imagine you worked at the Kentucky tourism office. What would you recommend visitors experience while they're here?

Suggested Activity: Create a Tourism Map of Kentucky

You Will Need:

A map of Kentucky, such as an old highway map or a print out of the state
Drawing materials, Decorations, such as magazines, craft supplies, etc.

- Step 1: Using your textbook, the Internet, or other teacher approved research materials, identify the elements of Kentucky that cause tourists to visit. This could include:
- Historic sites and museums
 - Special annual events
 - Natural wonders
 - Destination restaurants, hotels, or roadways
 - Anything that you feel is special about Kentucky!
- Step 2: After identifying tourist draws, decorate your Kentucky map with images or phrases that will entice tourists to visit. These can be images that you draw, cut out from magazines, or find elsewhere. Be sure to place your image or phrase thoughtfully, so that it appears in a location on the map which it relates to!
- Step 3: Display your tourism map for classmates, family and friends before you hit the road to visit all the special Kentucky sites you have identified!



Kentucky postcard, ca. 1950. Courtesy of KHS.