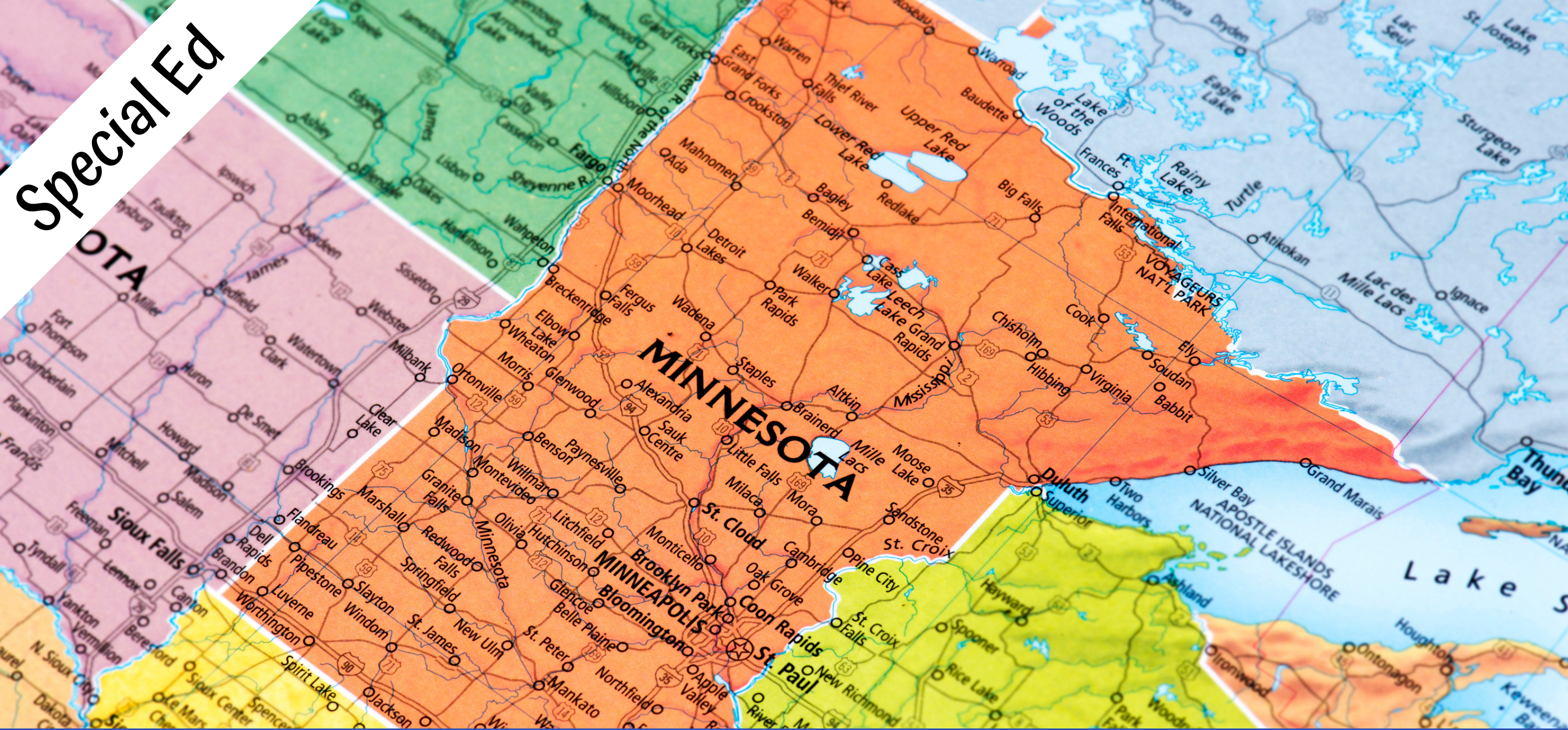


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## For students who:

- are emerging or non-readers
- take alternate assessments
- are in special education
- short-attention span
- lack pre-requisite skills
- benefit from the use of pictures for support
- middle/high school



# Minnesota

for Special Education

By  
Christa Joy  
Special Needs for Special Kids



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Also included in this resource as separate files:

- Lesson plans
- Links and directions to digital activities
- PowerPoints (**these are the books in the lesson plan**)
- Voice recorded PowerPoint
- Activities in black and white

*This unit contains 2 weeks of material in print and digital formats. I have included a detailed lesson plan to help you make the most of everything in this unit including how to add some group activities.*

*This unit comes in 2 separate files, one in color and one in black and white.*



## Day 9

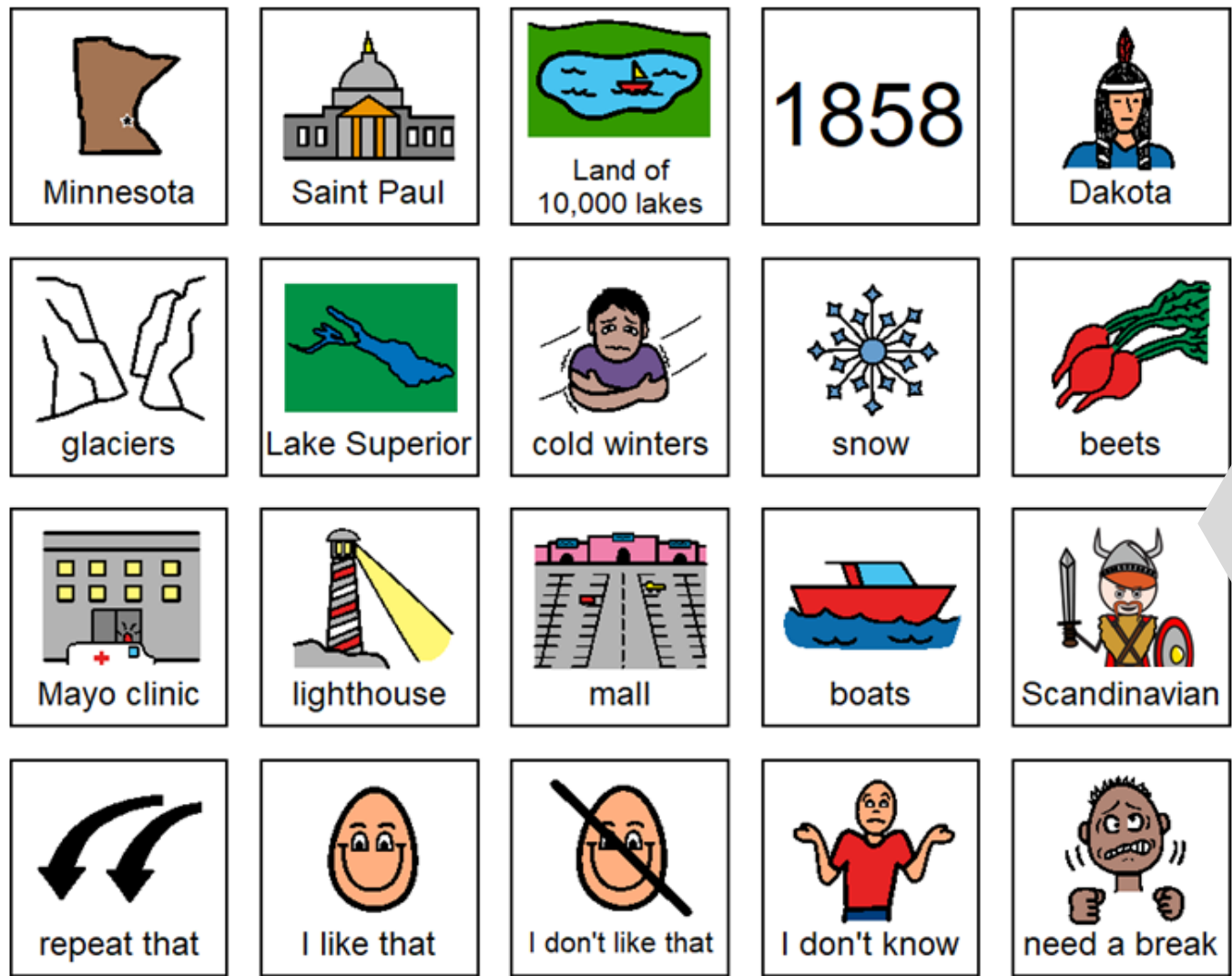
Activity	Notes	Materials
Read or listen to the book: <b>Minnesota week 2</b> (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Read through the story, asking lots of questions</li><li>• Continue to make connections between book and vocabulary board</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Book</li><li>• Vocabulary board</li></ul>
Bingo (15 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• See separate pdf for Bingo cards and directions</li><li>• For different ways to play Bingo and use the cards go here: <a href="https://specialneedsforspecialkids.org/2022/01/31/10-ways-to-play-bingo-in-your-special-education-classroom/">https://specialneedsforspecialkids.org/2022/01/31/10-ways-to-play-bingo-in-your-special-education-classroom/</a></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bingo boards</li><li>• markers</li></ul>
Writing Prompt activity review (5 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review the writing prompt completed yesterday</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Activity completed yesterday</li></ul>
Close worksheet (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Complete the <b>second</b> close worksheet on Minnesota<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Add color coding as needed</li><li>◦ Make connections to the book as necessary</li></ul></li><li>• NOTE: This is your first opportunity to assess students on a small part of the material and determine if any re-teaching will be needed prior to going on</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• worksheet</li><li>• scissors</li><li>• glue</li></ul>
Sharing (10 minutes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Each student reads their finished activity to the group using the communication method of their choice</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Completed activity</li><li>• Communication devices</li></ul>

# 10 days

The lesson plans contain:

- Overall tips for teaching students with significant needs
- A quick look at what you will do each day
- Detailed instructions on how that day's lesson should run





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This unit comes with a vocabulary board.

Vocabulary boards are great for ALL students to assist with participation and engagement in group discussions.

Tips on how to use in the unit!!

(There are NO vocabulary cards in this unit.)



Minnesota has more than one nickname. Officially, it is known as the North Star State, but many people know it as the Land of 10,000 Lakes. We will see why in a minute.



The Split Rock Lighthouse is located on the rocky cliffs of Lake Superior. It was built after more than 30 ships wrecked in a terrible storm in 1905. You can visit the lighthouse and learn more about its history when visiting Lake Superior.



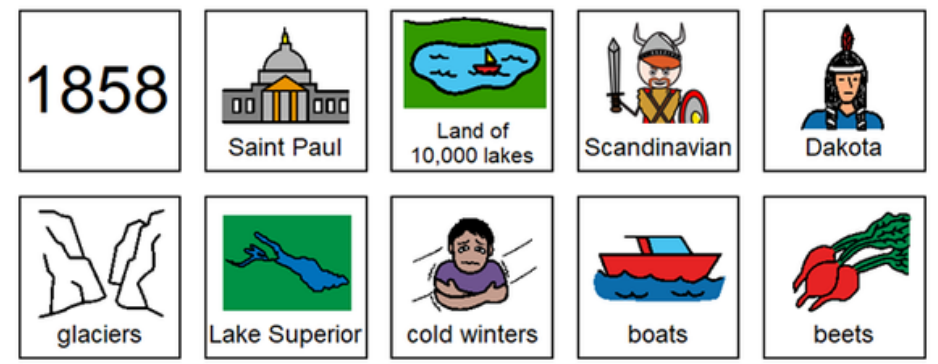
There are 2 books (one for each week) with simple text and engaging photos.

It comes in a PowerPoint version as well as an mp4 (movie) version.

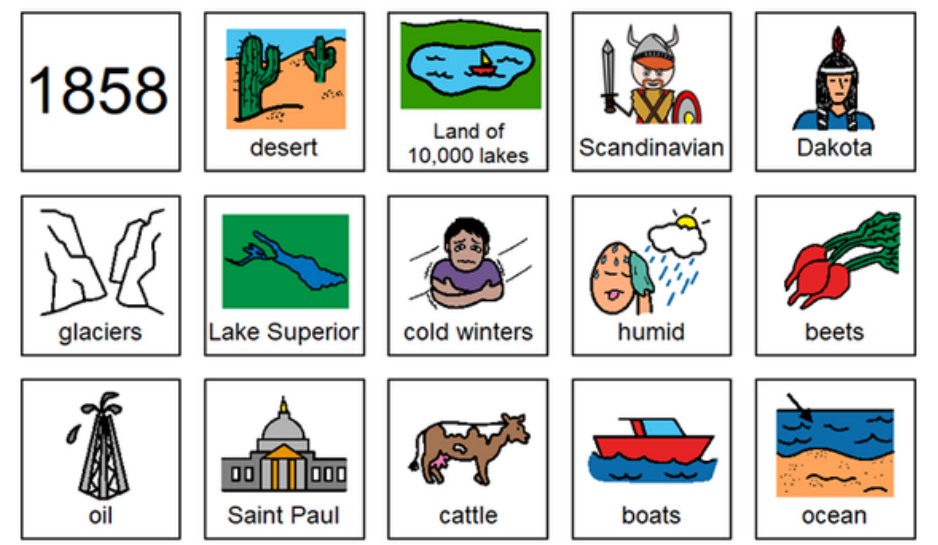


Errorless version

Cut apart pictures and place in circle map about Minnesota.



Cut apart pictures and place in circle map **ONLY IF** they relate to Minnesota.



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There is a circle map reviewing some main facts about Minnesota.

Circle maps are a great way for students to see the concept at a glance. There are 2 versions:

- One is errorless
- One has wrong answers mixed in students will have to set aside



Color in the states using the key.

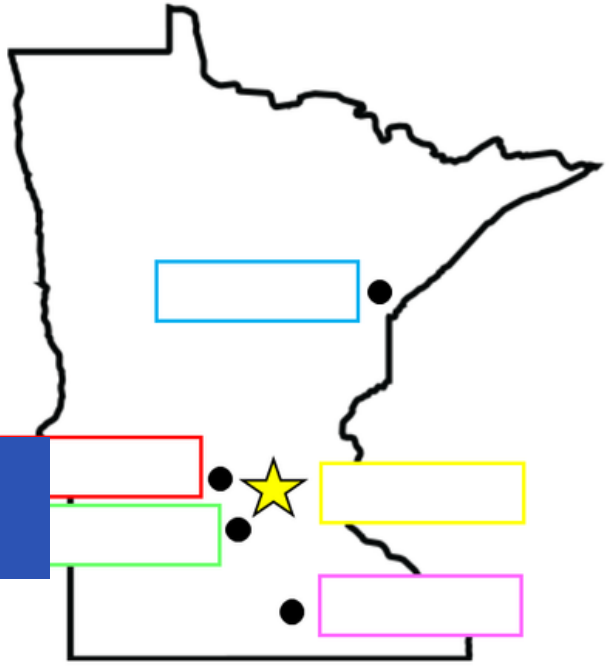
- Minnesota red
- North Dakota yellow
- South Dakota pink
- Iowa green
- Wisconsin orange
- Lake Superior blue



There are several maps to identify the state, surrounding states, and major cities.

Label the cities in Minnesota using the labels.

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- Saint Paul
- Minneapolis
- Bloomington
- Rochester
- Duluth

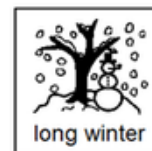
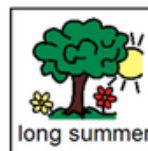
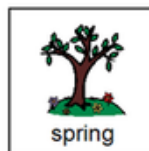
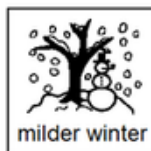
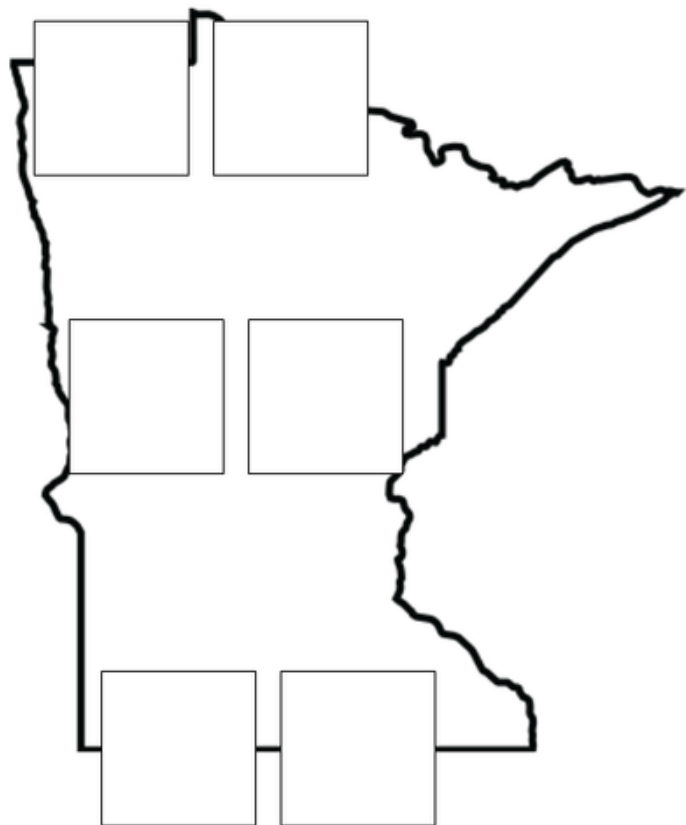
**differentiated**

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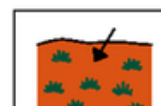
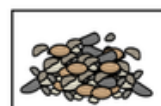
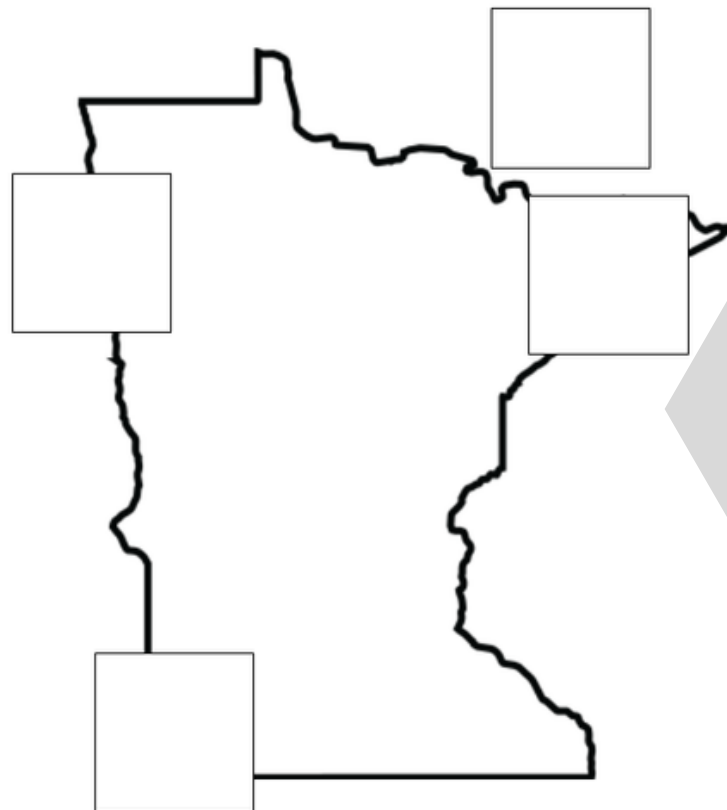


What is the climate like in Minnesota?



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Color each region of Minnesota.



clay and gravel

Eagle Mountain

Lake Superior

Red River Valley

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Students will identify how the climate and geography change across the state.



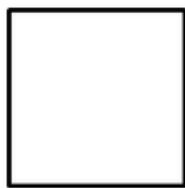
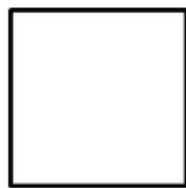
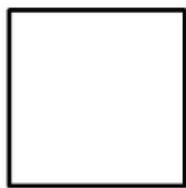
# Minnesota History

1803

1858

1861

1865



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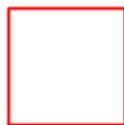
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Students will complete a timeline of the main events that have happened in this state's history. There is a color-coded version included (shown here).









Minnesota



not Minnesota

 beets	 crab	 corn	 peas
 cars	 oranges	 soybeans	 wheat
 turkeys	 nuts	 furniture	 iron ore
 medical	 fish	 cattle	 tourism

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Students will sort resources that do and do not come out of this state. These are covered in the books. Suggestions for differentiation are included.



What would you see at each landmark in Minnesota?

 Lake Superior	 Kathio Site Park
 Minneapolis	 Duluth
 Minneapolis	 Saint Paul
 Minnetonka	 Anoka








Match the item to each landmark on the previous page.

 earthen mounds	 Split Rock Lighthouse	 Spoonbridge and Cherry	 Tonka truck
 Mall of America	 Aerial Lift Bridge	 Capitol Building	 Halloween

What is each person from Minnesota famous for?

Bob Dylan	<input type="text"/>	Judy Garland	<input type="text"/>
Winona Ryder	<input type="text"/>	Roger Maris	<input type="text"/>
F. Scott Fitzgerald	<input type="text"/>	Prince	<input type="text"/>
Charles Schultz	<input type="text"/>		

Match what each person is famous for on the previous page.

 singer	 singer	 writer	 baseball
 actress	 actress	 cartoons	

Students will complete 2 matching activities that look at landmarks and famous people.





# My trip

I wanted to go to Minnesota, so I went to see

went with me.



We also went to see the

I got a

to remember my trip.

Visiting Minnesota made me feel

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Lake Superior	the Capitol building	Eagle Mountain	the Aerial Lift Bridge	the of
parents	grandparents	best friend	family	
Spoonbridge and Cherry	Art Museum	theater	Split Rock Lighthouse	
scrapbook	photo	postcard	keychain	poster
patriotic	proud	great	thankful	happy

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There is a writing prompt for students to write about taking a trip to see Minnesota. This is an errorless activity.



## Who am I cards

- Give each student a set of Who am I cards
- Various options/ways to play, but the goal is to have students hold up the card you are talking about. Sometimes there can be more than one correct answer
- Things you can do:
  - Hold up a who am I card
  - Show a page from the book
  - Point to a symbol on the vocabulary board
  - Verbally describe something about Minnesota.
- Tell a story as though you were visiting Minnesota.
  - What do you see?
  - What is the weather like?
  - What plants or animals do you see?
  - Where do you live (city or country)?
  - What are you eating?
  - What sports teams are playing in your area?



## Group activity

There are large cards and directions for playing a "Who am I?" group activity.

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Split Rock lighthouse



Eagle Mountain



Spoonbridge and Cherry



Aerial Lift Bridge



## Bingo cards



- Included are 10 Bingo cards in color and 10 Bingo cards in BW.
- Place the cards in page protectors or laminate for long term use.
- **Cut one board apart to use as calling cards.**
- This is a great way to practice the new vocabulary included in this unit.
- Cut apart a set of the vocabulary cards to use as the calling cards.
- Options:
  - Show students the picture for them to match
  - Read the definition and see if students can find the matching picture
  - Work as teams
  - Vary the "winning" patterns.
    - Cover all
    - Cover corners
    - Row across or down
    - Cover the edges
  - Vary the ways to mark the card
    - Place in page protector or laminate and use dry erase markers
    - Stickers
    - Post-it notes
    - Dot markers

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## Minnesota

 Tonka Truck	 Kathio Site	 Aerial Lift Bridge	 Spoonbridge Cherry
 Eagle Mountain	 Mall of America	 beets	 Cold winters
 Scandinavian	 Minnesota	 boat	 Water skiing
 Split Rock Lighthouse	 Lake Superior	 Saint Pail	 Iron Ore

## Group activity

There are 10 color and 10 black and white Bingo cards included plus 10 different ways to use them and play Bingo. There are calling cards included. This is a great way to review vocabulary.

 Minnesota	 iron ore
 Eagle Mountain	 Scandinavian

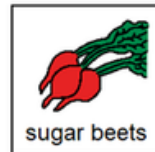
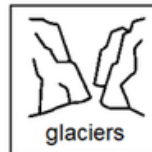
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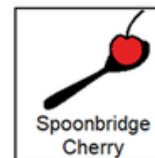
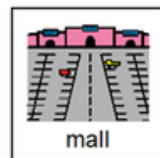
## Minnesota (week 1)

1.  is the capital of Minnesota.
2. Minnesota became a state in .
3. Minnesota is known as the land of 10,000 .
4. Much of Minnesota's geography was created by .
5. Minnesota produces more  than any other state.



## Minnesota (week 2)

1. 1 in 6 people in Minnesota have a .
2. The Split Rock Lighthouse looks over .
3. In the Minneapolis Sculpture Gardens you will .
4. The largest  in the US is in Minneapolis.
5. The sport of  was invented in Minnesota.



Close worksheets are a great informal assessment. This unit has one for each week. Suggestions for differentiation are included.

Answer key included.



1. What is the capitol of Minnesota?



2. Minnesota produces more what than any other state?



3. What is the nickname for Minnesota?



4. What does the Split Rock House Lighthouse look over?



5. What caused much of the geography of Minnesota?



Print onto cardstock or mount on index cards. Cut pictures apart and show student answer choices for each question.

Q 5



glaciers

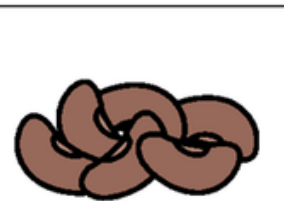


volcano



camel

Q 6



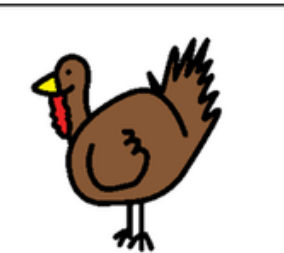
soybeans



iron ore



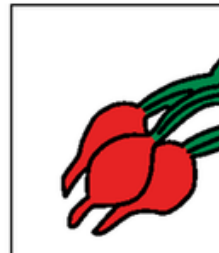
cattle



turkeys



watermelon



sugar beets

FINALLY the assessment!! There are 3 versions.

- 10 questions with 3 picture choices for each question
- cut out the answer choices and glue them on index cards
- traditional multiple choice

Answer key included.



# Group activity

## Ingredient Labels



instant vanilla pudding



buttermilk



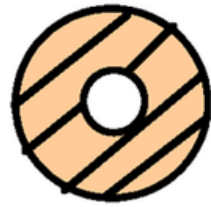
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pineapple chunks



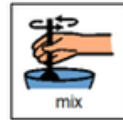
mandarin oranges



fudge stripe cookies

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## Assembly Directions



1. Mix the instant pudding and buttermilk.

2	 3.4 ounce packs	<input type="checkbox"/>
 2 cups	 buttermilk	<input type="checkbox"/>



2. Mix in pineapple and mandarin oranges and whipped topping.

1	 12 ounce container	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	 20 ounce can (drained)	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	 12 ounce cans (drained)	<input type="checkbox"/>



3. Chill 20-30 minutes.



4. Crush cookies and mix in.

1/2	 package	 cookies
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Included is a simple picture recipe for Cookie Salad. This will wrap up this 2 week unit.





# Minnesota

Week 1

By Christa Joy

*This unit also includes digital versions of the activities.*

*Students can watch a movie book version of the book rather than printing it out.*



Great for review

I wanted to go to Minnesota, so I went to see



went with me.

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Choose a picture to complete each sentence.

 Mall of America	 Aerial Lift Bridge	 Capitol Building	 Eagle Mountain	 Lake Superior
 parents	 grandparents	 best friend	 family	 teacher
 Split Rock Lighthouse	 Spoonbridge and Cherry	 Art Museum	 theater	 scrapbook
 scrapbook	 photo	 postcard	 keychain	 poster
 patriotic	 proud	 great	 thankful	 happy

Each activity is set up so students can click and drag answers. No typing is required.



Perfect for every learning level

 Lake Superior		 Kathio Site Park	
 Minneapolis		 Duluth	
 Minneapolis		 Saint Paul	
 Minnetonka		 Anoka	

What would you see at each of these landmarks in Minnesota?

 earthen mounds	 Split Rock Lighthouse	 Spoo and
 Tonka truck	 Mall of America	
 Capitol Building	 Halloween	

The second set of slides uses color for differentiation and extra support for students who may need it. Mix and match slides from both sets to make the perfect set for each student.



**This resource comes in a zipped folder. You will need to unzip the folder to access all the contents which include:**

- **10 days of lesson plans**
- **Minnesota activities in color**
- **Minnesota activities in black and white**
- **Voice-recorded PowerPoint show**
- **Minnesota books (PowerPoints) to use with activities**
- **Links and directions to digital activities**



*Starting in August 2023, I am starting on a project to create a 2-week unit for each state.*

*I am doing these in order of popularity.*

*If you would like me to do a unit on your state, send me an email at [specialneedsforspecialkids@gmail.com](mailto:specialneedsforspecialkids@gmail.com). I will add it to the list.*

*I do plan to complete all the states at a rate of 1 per week.*