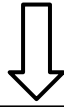


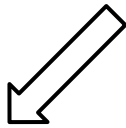
## Essential Question

How does do Colorado's geographic regions influence the development of rural, urban, and suburban areas?



## Background Knowledge

Colorado is typically divided into five regions: The Great Plains, The Southern Rocky Mountains, The Colorado Plateau, the Wyoming Basin, and the Middle Rocky Mountains. The characteristics of the various regions influence the way people live: what materials they used to build their homes; what industries developed in the region; what cultural traditions emerged, etc.



### Source 1

Albert Bierstadt, *Wind River, Wyoming*, c.1870

### Source 2

First home of Mrs. Margaret Schneider, Seibert, CO, c. between 1889-1900

## Strategy Instructions:

*Modified Jigsaw  
Compare/Contrast*



### Extra Source 1

Birds eye view of Colorado Springs, Colorado, c. 1888

### Extra Source 2

Dust storm, c. 1934

### Extra Source 3

Colorado, our wonderful mineral productions a view of the new city of Leadville, 10,500 feet above the level of the sea -from a sketch by E. Jump, c. ~ 1875-1880



## Discussion

1. How does the geography of where we live influence how we live?
2. How do physical features provide opportunities and challenges to regions?
3. What are the characteristics of the region surrounding our community?
4. What are the similarities and differences among the regions of Colorado?
5. How has the region changed and yet remained the same over time?



## Assessment

Compare/Contrast:

(<http://timvandevall.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/Compare-and-Contrast-Graphic-Organizer-1.jpg>)

Students complete a compare/contrast graphic organizer comparing the characteristics of their community's region to that of another community.