

Essential Question

Why did people from different cultures migrate and settle in Colorado?

Background Knowledge

The Sugar Beet Industry -

<http://coloradoencyclopedia.org/article/sugar-beet-industry#page-title>

A history of the Sugar Beet Industry in Colorado:

<http://lib.colostate.edu/archives/greatwestern/history.html>

Source 1

Allison, J., photographer. (1938) Sugar beet worker. Colorado. [Image]
Retrieved from the Library of Congress



Strategy Instructions:

Sourcing
Contextualization
Close Reading
Corroboration

Source 2

Allison, J., photographer. (1938) Sugar beet workers' housing. Colorado. [Image] Retrieved from the Library of Congress



Discussion

1. How did the sugar beet industry support immigrants who moved to Colorado?
2. What was life like for families that worked in the sugar beet fields?
3. How has the technology of farming sugar beets changed over time?
4. What was the economic impact of the sugar beet industry in Colorado?

Assessment

Students complete the "What's the Story" activity and then write a short story based on the "story" depicted in the sources.