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Worksheet 3: Reading Comprehension

Answer the following questions based on what you learned from reading the "Need for Speed" issue of *Kansas Kaleidoscope*.

1. What trails did Native Americans follow?
2. Why were American businessmen pleased when Mexico won its independence from Spain?
3. Name two animals used to pull wagons on the overland trails in 1880s.
4. Why did miners rush across Kansas to California in 1849?
5. What were the two earliest railroads to cross Kansas?
6. Name one Kansan who was important to the expansion of automobile usage?
7. Name two men who founded aviation companies in Wichita.
8. In what ways are today's highways as important as the early trails across Kansas?

