



Roadside America

TEACHER READ ALOUD
Theme 1, Grade 3

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Activate Prior Knowledge

Roadside America is **nonfiction** story about the ways cars have changed life in the United States.



Activate Prior Knowledge

How did people travel before there were cars?



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- What car trips have you taken?
- What did you do on your trip?
- Did you stay overnight or stop anywhere?



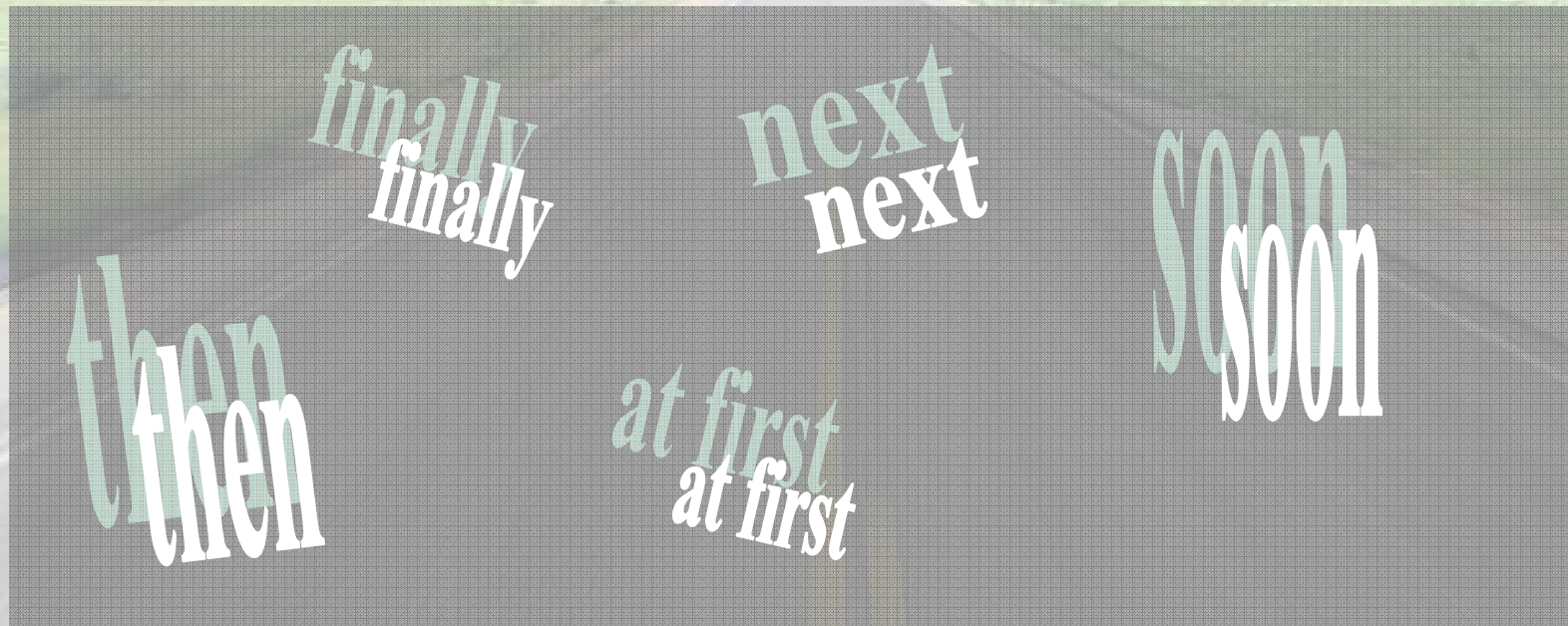
Sequence of Events

- Each **sequence of events** helps to explain one part of how cars have changed life in the United States.
- As you listen identify events that help you understand the story.



Sequence of Events

Listen for clue words such as:



While You Read

What events led to millions of people buying cars?



While You Read

What clue words does the author use to describe how motels came to be?



While You Read

How have drive-ins and superhighways become part of American life?



While You Read

What changes
have cars made in
the United States?

- good
- bad



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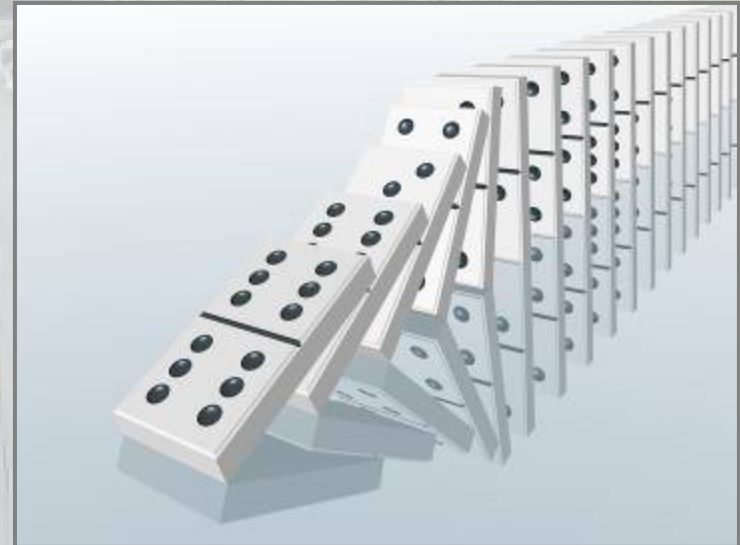
Discussion:

- What parts of the selection did you find most interesting or surprising?
- **Summarize** the story.



Sequence of Events

- Create an outline that shows the **sequence of events** in the story.
- What were the **sequences** describing the appearance of motels, drive-ins, superhighways and how the car changes everyday life?



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What do you think are the best and the worst things about the invention of cars?



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- Why do you think *Roadside America* is in *Off to Adventure*?
- Do you think driving is more or less **adventurous** now than it was when cars were first invented?
- Why?

