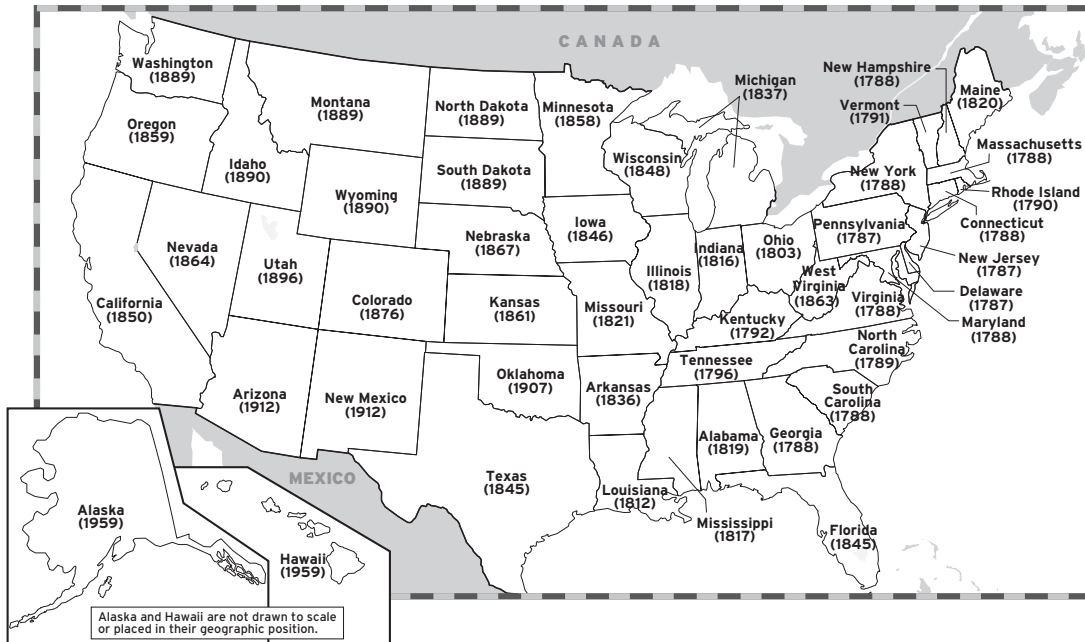


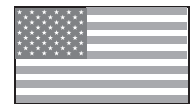


The Growth of a Nation

From the first American flag with 13 stars to the flag we know today with 50, one star has been added for each new state. On this map of the United States, each state is marked with the year it joined the Union. Consult the map to answer the questions below.



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1. Which state joined the Union first, Texas or California? _____
2. In what year did Illinois join the Union?

3. How many years after Ohio became a state did Oregon become a state? _____
4. Did Alabama join the Union before or after Arkansas? _____
5. Since Alaska and Hawaii became states, we have had 50 stars on our flag. In what year did this happen? _____
6. There were four new states in 1889. Find two.

7. A state that borders Kansas joined the Union in 1876. Which state is it? _____
8. In what year did Utah's southern neighbor become a state? _____
9. Which became a state first, Tennessee or Indiana? In what year?

10. In what year did Missouri's northern neighbor become a state? _____