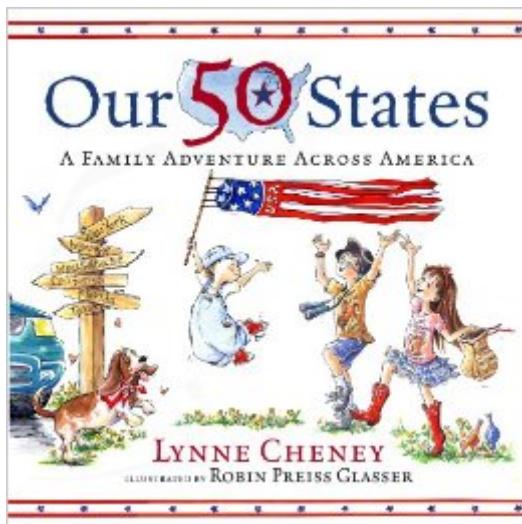


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Our 50 States: A Family Adventure Across America



Synopsis

"As I've traveled our great country, I have been struck again and again by its beauty and variety and reminded of how rich our history is. Travel a few miles in any direction, and you'll encounter an amazing story that helps explain all the multitude of ways our country came to be." -- Lynne Cheney

Lynne Cheney and Robin Preiss Glasser, creators of the bestselling *America: A Patriotic Primer* and *A is for Abigail: An Almanac of Amazing American Women*, take you on an unforgettable tour of America -- from the Everglades of Florida to the grasslands of Kentucky to the Sierra Mountains of California. Listening to her grandchildren's enthusiastic account of all they saw and did on a family road trip inspired Lynne Cheney to collaborate with Robin Preiss Glasser and create *Our 50 States* -- the greatest family vacation imaginable. Pack your bags and celebrate our diverse heritage state by state and sea to shining sea in this treasure trove of America's people, places, and history. A scholar of American history, Mrs. Cheney has drawn on a lifetime of study and travel for *Our 50 States*. Robin Preiss Glasser has brought her inimitable wit and exuberance to every illustration. Together they have created a joyful book that reminds us how fortunate we are to call America our home.

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Customer Reviews

If Robin Preiss Glasser is your illustrator you can't go wrong. Then add Lynne Cheney's years of

studying American history and you have a best-selling children's book. We love this book in our family. I ordered it before Thanksgiving thinking of it as a gift, but then couldn't wait to share it. It's fun to sit with youngsters, pick out a state (we use one of our favorite puzzles to do that...a puzzle of Our 50 States), find that state in the book and then have fun reading about that choice. Each state's page includes the date that state entered the Union along with a lot of other interesting information. In the front of the book is an index that tells the reader the page each state can be found on in case you want to find a particular state and move on from there. (You may notice in looking at the book on 's site, that the great state of Michigan is the page shown as a sample.) Some years back I ordered, through a company associated with Highlights magazine for kids, a set of booklets and maps for each state of the Union. This is a perfect companion piece to that set. Our grandkids already love those books and maps. The book may be a little busy for children who have difficulty focusing on the task at hand, but, in general it is a very entertaining and informative book. I highly recommend it.

It is a great book for children to learn about America, its geography, history, and much more. I don't know why some reviewers even mention their political orientation here. It has really nothing to with the great book. It is a perfect educational volume for children, no matter by whom it was written. It reminds me very much of the third book from the series Cats are rascals, in which the readers also learn a lot about American history and geography by following the Oregon Trail with all the cats back in the year 1862. Check it out at Why Some Cats are Rascals (Book 3)

Although the information in the book was wonderful and well illustrated it was very difficult to read the fine print. Also, I didn't like the way the book was organized. I would have perferred the states in alphabetical order or at least to have an index with page numbers to find things easily. I teach and gave one to my niece who is in 5th grade, I donated another to our school library and kept one for my own classroom. The kids enjoy it and we have all learned some interesting facts about each state. But, the small print is rather hard on the eyes.

What a great way to teach young children about US Geography. My daughter loves the map in the front of the book to trace out routes to new and exciting adventures. When she gets to the state her adventure ends, we read that page together. At 4, she really loves to learn about the states.

I bought this book for my 10 year old grandson. Before giving it to him for Christmas, I looked

through it. I hope he will use this book while doing his homework. It is very well written and appeals to, not only children, but I learned somethings from it too.

I ordered this book on the recommendation of someone on our local homeschool chat forum. WOW! What a great book! My 8 year old has not put it down since it arrived. It went in the car with us, to the store, even to a meal at a restaurant, bed time you name it. He found the information very interesting and kept finding things we NEED to see on a family vacation. I think the illustrations are fun and the author chose a variety of facts to share that interested all members of our family.

This is a great book to learn many interesting things about America and all the pages are done in colored drawing form which is great for children. I have gone through the book several times and my 7 year old grandson has viewed and read it more. A very good format to learn many of the facts you never knew about America's states.

Teachers will love this book! It puts facts into a child's perspective instead of just memorizing facts.

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