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Discusses the geographical, historical, and cultural aspects of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington.

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