

## Vocabulary Definitions

**Asset** - A useful or valuable thing, person or quality

**Agriculture** - The practice of farming and raising animals

**Bypass** - To travel past or around.

**Collaborate** - To work together

**Compromise** - An agreement reached when both sides make concessions

**Incentive** - A thing that motivates or encourages one to do something

**Industry** - Processing raw materials and manufacturing goods in factories

**Investing** - Buying something or doing something with the hope that it will generate income or be more valuable in the future

**Natural Resource** - Things that occur in nature that can be used for economic gain

**Opportunity Cost** - Losing a potential gain due to choosing an alternate option

**Risk** - A situation that exposes someone or something to danger, harm or loss

**Transcontinental** - Crossing a continent (usually refers to a railroad line)