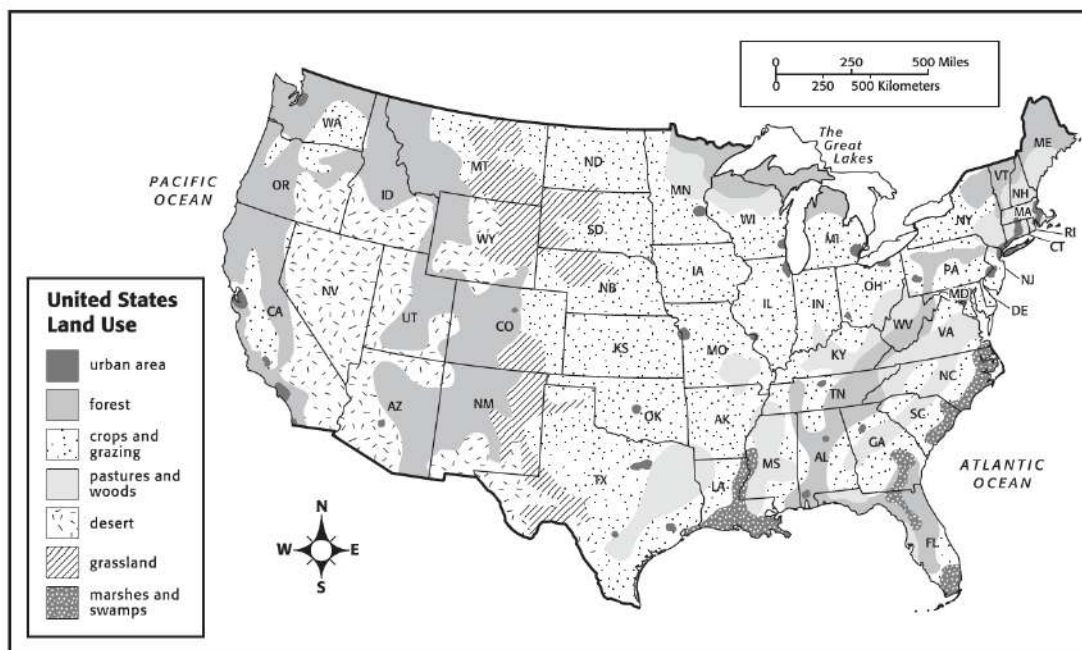Skills Worksheet **LAND USE**

Map Skills

Answer Key

1. marshes and swamps
2. crops and grazing, pastures and woods
3. urban areas, crops and grazing
4. grassland or pastures and woods
5. Answers may vary but will likely include the suggestions that forests provided lumber for construction, while land suitable for crops and grazing made agriculture near urban dwellers possible.

Skills Worksheet

LAND USE

Map Skills

Humans use land to grow food and for living space, among other uses. They change land, too. For example, through irrigation, land that was once unsuitable for growing crops can be farmed. Marshes and swamps may be drained. This map shows land use in the United States.

Use the map above to answer the questions below.

1. **Using a Key** According to this map, what types of land are used the least?

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2. **Using a Key** What are the most common uses of land in the United States?

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3. **Inferring Relationships** What land-use designations are most likely the result of human manipulation?

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4**. Analyzing Data** What land-use designations do you think the crops and grazing lands might have had before they were farmed?

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5. **Making Conclusions** How might other types of land-use have affected the development of urban areas?

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