

Chapter 1 Lesson 2: New Jersey's Four Regions

-4 regions in NJ

1. Highlands region
2. Appalachian Ridge and Valley region
3. Central Corridor, or Piedmont
4. Atlantic Coastal Plains

- The Appalachians and the Highlands
 - in the northwest corner of NJ
 - Kittatinny Mountain ridge is the highest point in NJ
 - *part of the Appalachian Mountains
 - *runs from the southern part of Alabama to the northern part of Canada
 - elevation→ height above sea level
 - Highlands region is southeast of the Appalachian Ridge and Valley region
 - *landscape is long, narrow chains of hills caused by movement of Earth and erosion over millions of years
 - erosion→ slow wearing away of the land by wind and water
 - Highlands was a major area for mining minerals, such as iron
- The Central Corridor/Piedmont Region
 - part of the Piedmont Plateau
 - starts in Alabama and northward to NJ
 - boards Highlands Region
 - lies between the Appalachian Mountains and the Atlantic Coastal Plain
 - separated from the Atlantic Coastal Plain by the Fall line, a place where the land suddenly changes from high to low, and hard rock to soft rock, this then creates waterfalls
 - fall line runs the full length of the Piedmont Plateau
 - agriculture=growing crops and raising livestock (cows, chickens, horses, goats, and pigs)
 - NJ top 5 in U.S. in the production of blueberries, cranberries, spinach, bell peppers, peaches, eggplant, and lettuce
 - agri-tourism invites people to come visit their farms to pet animals, pick fruits and vegetables