

1 What is route 66?   → p. 168-169

a. Look at the map and **choose** *True* or *False* based on what you see.

1. Route 66 goes from Illinois to California. T F
2. Route 66 goes from Chicago to San Francisco. T F
3. Route 66 passes through eight states. T F

b. Watch the video and **find** what the dates correspond to.

- Late 19th century, early 20th century: [East west travel across America was by railroad](#).....
- 1926: [Route 66 was created](#).....
- 1950s and the 60s: [Route 66 became iconic in popular culture \(motels, restaurants, attractions\)](#).....
- The 70s and the 80s: [Interstate 40 replaced Route 66. Many towns fell away and disappeared](#).....
- [Route 66 was declassified](#).....

2 A letter for change  **DIFFÉRENCIATION**

WAY 1

a. Read the text and **complete** the table with information about.

<p>The importance of Route 66</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Route 66 is a historic American highway known as the "Mother Road"..... • It symbolizes freedom, adventure, and a classic American road trip..... • The route spans eight U.S. states..... • Over 2 million people visit Route 66 every year..... • It is lined with historic sites, roadside attractions, and small-town downtowns that are part of America's cultural heritage.....
<p>The Senators' request</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A group of senators wrote a letter urging the Federal Highway Administration and the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation to invest in EV chargers along Route 66..... • They specifically asked for funding through:..... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The second round of the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program;..... – Their goal: use federal support to enhance infrastructure and support communities.....

WAY 2

a. Read the text and **complete** the table with information about.

<p>The centennial of 2026</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2026 marks the 100-year anniversary of Route 66. • States along the route are planning special events and celebrations to honor the centennial. • The anniversary is expected to attract millions of visitors, boosting tourism and local economies. • It's seen as a unique opportunity to revitalize Route 66 communities.
<p>The impact of EV chargers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EV chargers will make Route 66 more accessible to electric vehicle drivers. This will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attract more visitors to historic sites and roadside stops. • Encourage tourism and longer stays. • Revitalize small-town downtowns and boost local economies. • EV infrastructure is part of a broader economic and environmental strategy to modernize transportation.

b. Now share your findings with the other group.

3 Mike May's adventures 

a. Read the text and **find** information about.

<p>Mike May</p>	<p>Mike May is the founder of Electric Route 66. He started it in 2018 to help people learn how to take road trips using electric vehicles (EVs). He became an EV owner in late 2017, but he has been a road-tripper his whole life.</p>
<p>His love for road trips</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike has loved car travel since he was a child. • He took solo trips starting at age 18, in the early 1990s. • He enjoys visiting interesting places by car.
<p>Mike and Electric vehicles</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EVs bring new challenges and new opportunities. • Mike wants to help other people understand how to travel with EVs. • He uses Electric Route 66 to share his experiences and help others.

b. Now share your findings with the other group.

YOUR FINAL TASK

1. Browse your ideas about Route 66 and **complete** the table with keywords.

History
Cultural significance
Current challenges
Economic opportunities

2. Introduce your vlog.

a. Say your name and where you are:

b. Give the vlog's goal: *I'm here to talk about*

3. Introduce Route 66.

a. History:

b. Culture:

c. Challenges:

4. Explain why you should use an EV for your road trip.

Benefit 1:

Benefit 2:

5. Give advice:

(Where you can charge. / How long it takes. / What to do while waiting. / Tips for planning your route...)

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6. Conclude your vlog:

(Encourage people to try it. / Ask viewers to comment or share. / Invite them to follow your journey...)

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