



### A. FOCUS ON GEOGRAPHY

- Location** Which canals connected Lake Erie with the Ohio River?
- Place** How did the Erie Canal affect New York City?
- Interaction** How did New York State benefit from the building of the Erie Canal?
- Movement** (a) What types of goods were sent from the Great Lakes region to the East?  
(b) From the East to the Midwest?
- Region** Name two regions of the United States affected by the Erie Canal and describe how the canal changed each.

### B. CRITICAL THINKING

- Solving Problems** Imagine that you are Governor De Witt Clinton. What would you use to convince New York State lawmakers to support the Erie Canal project?
- Analyzing Information** How did the Erie Canal increase the ties between the Midwest and the Northeast?