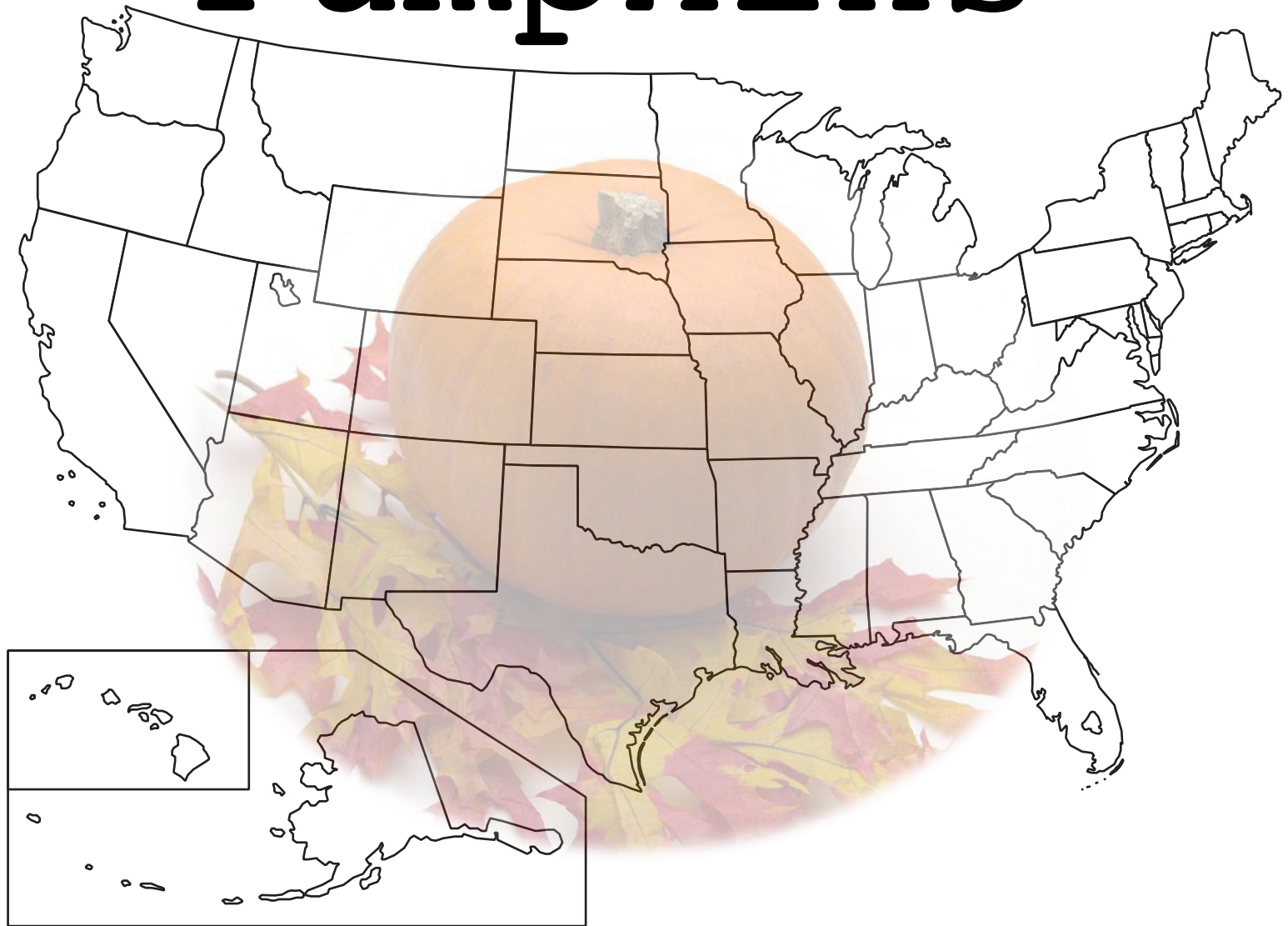


# Pumpkins



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## The Geography of Thanksgiving Dinner

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**Step 1:** Research the top 5 states that produce pumpkins in the United States. Color the state in red and label it with the rank (1, 2, 3, 4, or 5) on the map found on the other side of this handout.

**Step 2:** Research the crop and answer the following questions:

1. What climate and growing conditions do pumpkins require?
2. How long does it take from the time a pumpkin seed is planted until it is harvested?
3. What part of the plant is a pumpkin?
4. How are pumpkins harvested?
5. How are pumpkins processed to prepare them for shipping and purchasing by a consumer?
6. How can pumpkins be prepared for Thanksgiving Dinner?