

Rocky Mountains

America's Rocky Mountains are both tall and dry. In the summer it is very hot and there is little rain. In the winter it is very cold but there is lots of snow.

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The Rocky Mountains are famous for snow and there are many ski resorts. Skiing is so popular that the Winter Olympics were held there in 2002. Every year the snow falls on the mountains and sometimes does not melt until July. So much snow falls in the winter that people can still go skiing in the middle of the summer!

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The high mountains mean that you are closer to the sky. It is easy to see the stars and the moon. Millions of stars twinkle in the night sky that cannot be seen when you are in a city. Because it is dry, there are few clouds to cover the sky. It is a good place to look at the stars.

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When the sun rises, the sky is blue and the sun is hot. When the sun sets, the sky is black and the moon is bright. In the summer, it is still hot after the sun sets. In the winter, it is still cold when the sun rises.

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Where are the Rocky Mountains?

You can only go skiing in the Rocky Mountains in winter; is this true?

What happened in the Rocky Mountains in 2002?