The U.S. Shape Throughout History

The shape of the United States changed after each major land addition. Fill in the blanks with the purchase or treaty that led to the new shape.

1. After **the Treaty of Paris**

   the shape of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was:

2. After **the Louisiana Purchase**

   the shape of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was:

3. After **the Spanish Cession of 1819**

   the shape of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was:

4. After **the Annexation of Texas**

   the shape of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was:

5. After **the Oregon Treaty of 1846**

   the shape of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was:

6. After **the Guadaloupe-Hidalgo Treaty**

   the shape of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was:

7. After **the Gadsden Purchase**

   the shape of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was:

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Answer Bank:

- **Gadsden Purchase**: In 1854, the U.S. bought a strip of land in present day New Mexico and Arizona from Mexico.
- **Treaty of Paris**: This 1783 treaty ended the Revolution and gave the U.S. only land east of the Mississippi River.
- **Oregon Treaty of 1846**: This gave the Oregon Territory to the U.S., ending the border dispute with Great Britain.
- **Guadaloupe-Hidalgo Treaty**: In this 1848 treaty, the U.S. received large parts of the Southwest, including California.
- **Spanish Cession of 1819**: In this 1819 agreement, Spain gave Florida to the United States.
- **Annexation of Texas**: Texas was its own country before it became a U.S. state in 1845, a process called annexation.
- **Louisiana Purchase**: In 1803, the U.S. bought a huge piece of land west of the Mississippi River from France.