

Biography

Believing migrating birds returned to the same place each year, this man tested his hypothesis by tying a silver wire on the leg of some phoebes.

Who was John James Audubon

In December 1955, this African American woman shocked the country by refusing to give up her bus seat. Her courageous actions prompted the Montgomery Bus Boycott and eventually lead to the integration of buses everywhere.

Who was Rosa Parks

Remembered for his paintings of the fathers of America, this artist was born into a Quaker family. Having grown up in an early settlement of colonial America, he had a fascination with art from a young age. It is believed he learned of pigments from Native Americans, and fashioned a paint brush from the hair of his cats tails.

Who was Benjamin West

This German immigrant became wealthy by providing goods to California gold miners, and a type of pant he invented became popular.

Who was Levi Strauss

Born in West Hartford Conn in 1758, this mans passion was the American language which he worked hard to separate from Old English commonly used in written language. His life work was the first full dictionary of the American language published in 1828.

Who was Noah Webster

Removing seeds from cotton by hand was a long and arduous process until in 1794, on a plantation near Savannah Georgia, when this man invented the Cotton Gin.

Who was Eli Whitney

This Native American woman was part of the Shoshone tribe in Idaho, and became world famous for her role in the Lewis & Clark Expedition.

Who was Sacagawea

The man behind Mickey Mouse and the Disney empire.

Who was Walt Disney

This Indiana man founded a famous pop corn company.

Who was Orville Redenbacher

This poet, born in Portland Maine in 1807, was one of the most popular poets in US history. Some of his famous poems include: Paul Revere's Ride, The song of Hiawatha, and The Village Blacksmith.

Who was Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

In 1849 this woman escaped from the plantation where she was born, and became one of the pioneers of the Underground Railroad.

Who is Harriet Tubman

At the age of 25, this man completed the incredible challenge of flying alone across the Atlantic Ocean. He completed the 3,600 mile trip in this plane The Spirit of St. Louis.

Who was Charles Lindbergh

<p>This man revolutionized the manufacturing industry when he invented the assembly line. He also produced the first Model T.</p> <p><i>Who was Henry Ford</i></p>	<p>In 1903, these two brothers made their first successful flight powered by man near Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.</p> <p><i>Who were Orville and Wilbur Wright</i></p>	<p>A young inventor moved his laboratory to Melano Park, New Jersey in 1876 and patented 400 inventions in only six years, including electric lights.</p> <p><i>Who was Thomas Edison</i></p>
<p>This man earned nationwide fame during the War of 1812, by defeating the British at the Battle of New Orleans. He went on to become the 17th President. He was often called “Old Hickory” in reference to his tough character.</p> <p><i>Who was Andrew Jackson</i></p>	<p>This early American mathematician came from modest beginnings. Forced to leave school at a young age, he never stopped learning. He is most remembered for his work on ocean navigation, and his book The New American Practical Navigator.</p> <p><i>Who was Nathaniel Bowditch</i></p>	

Birds		
<p>Calliope, Ruby-throated, and Rufous are types of this kind of creature.</p> <p><i>What are hummingbirds</i></p>	<p>The colors, shapes, and features of each section of a bird are used to separate one bird from another.</p> <p><i>What are field markings</i></p>	<p>The form of communication used by woodpeckers when tapping trees.</p> <p><i>What is drumming</i></p>
<p>A baby bird that has just hatched is called this.</p> <p><i>What is a hatchling</i></p>	<p>When a bird does this, it loses old feathers and replaces them with new ones.</p> <p><i>What is molting</i></p>	<p>The carotenoids in this birds food is the reason they are pink.</p> <p><i>What are flamingos</i></p>
<p>This hard stick like structure runs the length of some types of feathers.</p> <p><i>What is the shaft</i></p>	<p>These feathers are located on a birds wings and tail.</p> <p><i>What are flight feathers</i></p>	<p>Besides water, birds might bathe in this.</p> <p><i>What are dust and/or sunbathing</i></p>
<p>How a birds bones are different from other animals.</p> <p><i>What is light and/or hollow</i></p>	<p>Flap, glide, and soar are things a bird does to do this.</p> <p><i>What is flying</i></p>	<p>The heat wave a bird can catch a ride on.</p> <p><i>What are thermals</i></p>
<p>This bird has the longest wing span in the world (11 feet!), and for days can ride on the gusts of wind coming off the ocean.</p> <p><i>What is an Albatross</i></p>	<p>Bird watchers find spring and fall exciting times of the year because spring birds fly north for the summer and in the fall they fly south for the winter.</p> <p><i>What is migration</i></p>	<p>Once a bird has migrated it looks for these to help guide it where it needs to go.</p> <p><i>What are landmarks</i></p>
<p>In addition to landmarks, a bird can use these two things to find its way during migration.</p> <p><i>What are sun & stars, and Earth's magnetic field</i></p>	<p>To save energy, some migrating birds fly in this pattern.</p> <p><i>What is formation or "V" formation</i></p>	<p>A sharp notch on the top of a baby birds beak helps the chick break the egg shell when it's time to hatch.</p> <p><i>What is an egg tooth</i></p>
<p>These birds have the longest wing span of any other bird native to North America.</p> <p><i>What are California Condors</i></p>		

Other Flying Creatures

<p>When a bat makes a sound and waits for the sound to come back, it can use the time it takes to detect what is in front of it.</p> <p><i>What is echolocation</i></p>	<p>Head, thorax, and abdomen are the three segments that make up this creatures body.</p> <p><i>What is an insect</i></p>	<p>Insects do this through tiny holes called spiracles in the thorax and abdomen.</p> <p><i>What is breathe</i></p>
<p>A bombardier beetle defends itself with this.</p> <p><i>What is chemical weapon or shoots noxious gas</i></p>	<p>Ants keep these insects as “pets” because they like to eat the honeydew they make.</p> <p><i>What are aphids</i></p>	<p>These creatures commonly roost in caves or other dark places. Some roost in trees.</p> <p><i>What are bats</i></p>
<p>A quick way to tell the different between insects and other crawling creatures is that insects have six of these.</p> <p><i>What are legs</i></p>	<p>Legs and wings are attached to this part of an insects body.</p> <p><i>What is a thorax</i></p>	<p>In both ant and bee colonies this is the job of the queen.</p> <p><i>What is lay eggs</i></p>
<p>The scout bees do this to tell gatherer bees where the flowers are.</p> <p><i>What is the bee dance</i></p>	<p>This flying creature uses bioluminescence to illuminate the night skies.</p> <p><i>What are fireflies</i></p>	<p>The female of this insect species consumes blood in order to lay eggs.</p> <p><i>What are mosquitoes</i></p>
<p>A grasshopper that swarms is called this.</p> <p><i>What are locust</i></p>	<p>These incredible butterflies migrate up to 2,500 miles to Central Mexico.</p> <p><i>What are Monarch's</i></p>	

Parks & Places

As America's first national park it covers land in Wyoming, Montana and Idaho and is home to one of the worlds largest collections of geysers.

What is Yellowstone National Park

This resort in Orlando Florida is over 30,000 acres and is the most visited resort in the world.

What is Walt Disney World

Located in Boston Massachusetts, this is the oldest Major League baseball park in the country.

What is Fenway Park

Superior, Michigan, Huron, Erie and Ontario. These are the largest fresh water lakes in the world.

What are the Great Lakes

The second largest river in the country, at over 2,300 miles, it begins in Minnesota and empties into the Gulf of Mexico.

What is the Mississippi River

This million acre national park in Montana is named for its terrain. It contains over 700 miles of hiking trails through incredible wilderness and an array of wildlife.

What is Glacier National Park

Covering over 200,000 square miles, including parts of Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, and Mexico, this is North Americas largest desert.

What is the Chihuahuan Desert

The largest entry point for immigrants into the United States. Millions of immigrants arrived at this location, between 1892 and 1954, hoping to become US citizens. It now serves as an immigration museum to visitors all over the world.

What is Ellis Island, New York

This structure was built across the Colorado River in the 1930's, designed to prevent flooding, aid in irrigation and provide power to several western states. It is one of the worlds largest structures.

What is the Hoover Dam

The largest city in the US, eight million people live in this one city. Outnumbering the population of 41 states.

What is New York City

Likely the most famous sculpture in the United States, the faces of presidents Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt, and Lincoln, are carved in the side of a granite mountain.

What is Mount Rushmore

Located in Washington DC, it is the worlds largest library. It began with Thomas Jefferson's library, but today it takes three buildings to contain all of the data stored.

What is the Library of Congress

This five sided structure, located in Virginia, is the largest office building in the world and houses the headquarters of the US Department of Defense. The bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941 made the completion of this building critical. It measures over six million square feet.

What is the Pentagon

US States

This state is often called “The Heart of Dixie” reflecting its central location in the southern United States.

What is Alabama

This state is the largest in the country with nearly 600,000 square miles of land and almost 34,000 miles of shoreline.

What is Alaska

The square dance is the state dance of this state.

What is Arkansas

The Ozark mountains in the north, Mississippi river in the east, forests, farms, caves and swamps... This state is often called “The Natural State”

What is Arkansas

A gold rush was started in this state when gold was discovered at Sutters sawmill in 1848.

What is California

This second smallest state in the country is made up of only three counties.

What is Delaware

“The Sunshine State” as it is often called, is a popular vacation spot because of its warm climate and variety of recreational activities.

What is Florida

This is the only state that once had its own monarchy.

What is Hawaii

Three-fourths of this state is farmland, earning it the nickname “The Prairie State.”

What is Illinois

This states name means “land of the Indians,” and is considered a Great Lakes state because its tip borders Lake Michigan.

What is Indiana

Since 1999 this states slogan has been “Fields of Opportunity” to highlight its diversification from a primarily agricultural economy into other sectors, such as manufacturing.

What is Iowa

This state has become famous for it's flat plains and nearly perfect rectangular shape. The open grassland appealed to early settlers looking for farmland. With a lack of trees, pioneers built sod homes.

What is Kansas

This state is famous for its horse racing industry, and is the original home of the famous restaurant chain Kentucky Fried Chicken.

What is Kentucky

This state is located in the southern United States and is bordered by the Gulf of Mexico as well as the Mississippi River. Before it became part of the United States, it was ruled by several different countries including Britain, Spain and France.

What is Louisiana

This Easternmost state is beautiful and scenic. It has over sixty lighthouses along 228 miles of coastline. Although no longer an instrumental part of modern navigation, many remain open for tourists.

What is Maine

<p>This states name means “great river” or “gathering of waters,” and comes from the Ojibwa (Chippewa) tribe of Native Americans.</p> <p><i>What is Mississippi</i></p>	<p>This state was a starting point for many journeys west, including the Pony Express and the Oregon Trail. Often the last stop to stock up on supplies before folks traveled west, it earned the nickname, “Gateway to the West.”</p> <p><i>What is Missouri</i></p>	<p>This northern state shares a border with Canada. It is the fourth largest state containing great plains in the east that are prime for grazing, and the Rocky Mountains cover the western park of the state.</p> <p><i>What is Montana</i></p>
<p>Sections of this state became part of the United States during the Louisiana Purchase, while the rest was included in the treaty that followed the Mexican War. The state is an important part of the nations agricultural economy due to the Great Plains in the west.</p> <p><i>What is Nebraska</i></p>	<p>Sparsely populated, much of this states land is owned by the federal government. The warm, dry climates makes it unsuitable or agriculture. The states largest industry is tourism. Visitors come from all over the country to gamble.</p> <p><i>What is Nevada</i></p>	<p>One of the original 13 colonies, this states was the ninth to join the Union. The first free public library was established in this state in 1833.</p> <p><i>What is New Hampshire</i></p>
<p>Except for the 50-mile border shared with New York, this state is completely surrounded by water. The Delaware River forms its western border and flows into Delaware Bay. The Hudson River separates it from New York and empties into the Atlantic Ocean.</p> <p><i>What is New Jersey</i></p>	<p>Known as “The Land of 10,000 Lakes,” this is the most northern state, with the exception of Alaska. With it's many lakes and rivers, it has more shoreline than California, Florida and Hawaii combined.</p> <p><i>What is Minnesota</i></p>	<p>Becoming part of the US during the Mexican War, this states includes the Great Plains, Colorado Plateau, and the Rocky Mountains goes through its middle. Approximately 75% of the state's roads are unpaved as the dry climate prevents roads from washing away.</p> <p><i>What is New Mexico</i></p>
<p>Often confused by the city bearing the same name, this state offers more than just city life. It contains maintain ranges including Catskills and Adirondacks.</p> <p><i>What is New York</i></p>	<p>The 12th state to join the Union, more than ten Civil War battles were experienced on this states soil. Legend has it Confederate soldiers retreated during one particularly fierce battle, leaving local troops to fight alone. Surviving troops threatened to put tar on the heels of retreating soldiers so they would “stick better in the next fight.” From that time on this state has been known as the Tar Heel State.</p> <p><i>What is North Carolina</i></p>	<p>The 39th state to join the Union, the majority of it was included in the Louisiana Purchase. Compromised mostly of prairie land, including the Great Plains in the west makes it a leading wheat producing state.</p> <p><i>What is North Dakota</i></p>

<p>Nicknamed the Buckeye State after the state tree. Native Americans thought the nut of the tree resembled the eye of a buck deer.</p> <p><i>What is Ohio</i></p>	<p>Nicknamed the Sooner State after some folks sneaking across the border too soon when the government opened the land in 1889, much of this state is made up of the Great Plains. With long, hot summers and short winters, the area is prone to tornadoes and is within the region of the country called Tornado Alley.</p> <p><i>What is Oklahoma</i></p>	<p>This Pacific coastal state is the only state to have different designs on each side of it's flag. The front features the state shield and 1859, the date of admittance to the Union. The back features the state animal, a beaver.</p> <p><i>What is Oregon.</i></p>
<p>This was the second colony to ratify the Constitution and became a state. The home of some important events in American history included the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the Battle of Gettysburg during the Civil War.</p> <p><i>What is Pennsylvania</i></p>	<p>As the smallest state in the US, it is only 48 miles long. One of the original 13 colonies it was the first to declare independence from Great Britain.</p> <p><i>What is Rhode Island</i></p>	<p>This southern state was first settled in 1670. Plantations throughout the state produced large amounts of crops. Mostly cotton. It was the first state to secede from the Union leading up to the Civil War.</p> <p><i>What is South Carolina</i></p>
<p>This Midwest state is made up of the Black Hills in the west and Great Plains further east. The Missouri River runs through the middle.</p> <p><i>What is South Dakota</i></p>	<p>The largest state in the <i>continental</i> United States, it was once part of Mexico. For a brief time it was it's own country, which is something no other state in the Union can claim.</p> <p><i>What is Texas</i></p>	<p>This western state is home to the Rocky Mountains, Colorado Plateau, and Glen Canyon. Original settlers were families of the Mormon faith seeking an escape from religious persecution.</p> <p><i>What is Utah</i></p>
<p>In the northwest corner of the New England region, the beautiful Green Mountains run directly through the middle of this state. It is the only New England state that does not share a border with the Atlantic Ocean.</p> <p><i>What is Vermont</i></p>	<p>The 10th state to join the Union, it played a pivotal role in much of the country's history. Jamestown was the first permanent English settlement, and surrenders ending the American Revolution and Civil War were concluded in this state.</p> <p><i>What is Virginia</i></p>	<p>Not to be confused with the nations capital, this state is located on the opposite side of the country. In the northwest corner of the nation, it is bordered by the Pacific Ocean to the west and Canada to the north.</p> <p><i>What is Washington</i></p>

<p>Often called the “Mountain State” because the Appalachian Mountains make up a large portion of its land area. Historically coal mining has played an integral part of it's economic development, and even today many residents still make their living in the mines.</p> <p><i>What is West Virginia</i></p>	<p>This state is one of the nations leading producers of milk and cheese. It is bordered by Lake Superior to the north and Lake Michigan to the east.</p> <p><i>What is Wisconsin</i></p>	<p>This Rocky Mountain Region state is home to three mountain ranges – the Rocky, the Bighorn, and the Laramie mountains. It's rugged terrain is one reason it has the lowest population of any US state. Visitors comes from around the world for its outdoor recreation and wildlife viewing opportunities.</p> <p><i>What is Wyoming</i></p>
<p>This long narrow state has an eastern border with the Appalachian Mountains and further west holds the Cumberland Plateau. The Mississippi River is it's western border. Geography aside, this state is known worldwide for it's musical history.</p> <p><i>What is Tennessee</i></p>	<p>Potatoes were first grown in this state by missionaries seeking to introduce local native Americans to an Alternative food source.</p> <p><i>What is Idaho</i></p>	<p>Grand Canyon National Park is located in this state.</p> <p><i>What is Arizona</i></p>

Potpourri

<p>These bright, fluid display of lights are often seen in the night sky of Alaska and believed to be caused by winds from the sun.</p> <p><i>What is Aurora Borientalis or Northern Lights</i></p>	<p>Because of this states proximity to the north pole, its days are different from the rest of the country. The sun never completely sets in summer, and doesn't rise for 64 days in winter.</p> <p><i>What is Alaska</i></p>	<p>This famous dog race begins in Anchorage Alaska and ends over 1100 miles away in Nome, taking nearly two weeks to complete.</p> <p><i>What is the Iditarod</i></p>
<p>The Loggerhead Turtle was placed on the endangered species list in 1978. Today over 80% of the adult females lay their eggs on the beaches of this state.</p> <p><i>What is Florida</i></p>	<p>Benjamin Franklin wanted this animal to be the National Bird in lieu of the Eagle.</p> <p><i>What is a Turkey</i></p>	<p>During World War II, these Native Americans were recruited to ensure the safety of strategic military communication.</p> <p><i>What were Navajo Code Talkers</i></p>
<p>During the Texan Revolution, settlers sought freedom from Mexico and the right to be their own country. This famous battle took place in 1836 at San Antonio, inside a Spanish mission.</p> <p><i>What is Battle of the Alamo</i></p>	<p>December 7, 1941 was called “a day that will live in infamy” by President Franklin Roosevelt, and marked the United States declaring war on Japan and entering into World War II.</p> <p><i>What was the attack on Pearl Harbor</i></p>	<p>Prior to the civil war, this loose network of hiding places helped many slaves escape from Southern states.</p> <p><i>What is the Underground Railroad</i></p>
<p>Prior to the Revolutionary War, colonists in North America grew weary of British taxation without representation. Samuel Adams lead a group of men on protest, many dressed as Native Americans, by boarding ships and throwing cargo overboard.</p> <p><i>What is the Boston Tea Party</i></p>	<p>In 1803 Thomas Jefferson bought this area of land from France, doubling the size of the United States.</p> <p><i>What is the Louisiana Territory</i></p>	<p>This act in 1863 stated the federal government would sell 160 acres of land in the west to anyone, for only \$18. It stipulated settlers had to live on the land five years, build a home, and farm the land. 270 million acres were claimed before the act ended in 1976.</p> <p><i>What is the Homestead Act</i></p>
<p>During the building of the Hoover Dam in the 1930's, this head wear was first invented for construction workers.</p> <p><i>What are hard hats</i></p>	<p>Several years of severe drought during the 1930's blew clouds of soil from farms in the Great Plains states. Thousands of farmers were forced to leave their farm and families to find food and employment.</p> <p><i>What was the Dust Bowl or Great Depression</i></p>	<p>The longest of all western routes, this pathway was used by over 500,000 settlers making their way into the western territories. It began in Kansas and was nearly two thousand miles long. The first family traveled the trail in 1836, and more followed until 1869 when the Transcontinental Railroad was complete.</p> <p><i>What was the Oregon Trail</i></p>

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