Famous Places Internet Scavenger Hunt

DIRECTIONS: Crisscross the country to find the states in which the famous places below can be found. Write answers on your own paper. Be sure to separate answers by Section.

Section A

TIP! Use the Internet to find where each famous place is located. You might also find information by typing the name of the place into the Visit Your Parks search engine at http://www.nps.gov/parks.html.

1. Adams National Historic Site a. California
2. Edison National Historic Site b. Georgia
4. Great Smoky Mountains National Park d. Massachusetts
5. Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial e. New Jersey
6. Martin Luther King Jr National Historic Site f. New Mexico
7. Rocky Mountain National Park g. New York
8. Redwood National and State Parks h. Colorado
10. White Sands National Monument j. Virginia

Section B

1. Arches National Park a. Alaska
2. Big Bend National Park b. California
3. Denali National Park c. Maryland
4. Fort McHenry National Monument d. Mississippi
5. Fort Sumter National Monument e. Missouri
7. Independence National Historical Park g. South Carolina
8. Mojave National Preserve h. Texas
9. Vicksburg National Military Park i. Utah
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Section C

1. **Capulin Volcano National Monument.** This extinct volcano is located in New Mexico. When was the last time this volcano erupted?

2. **Johnstown Flood National Memorial.** This site commemorates the 1889 Johnstown flood, one of the worst disasters in U.S. history. How many people died in this tragic Pennsylvania flood?

3. **Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument.** This 330,000-acre protected site is located in an Arizona desert. What is the name of that desert?

4. **Roosevelt Campobello International Park.** President Franklin Roosevelt frequently vacationed on this island that is actually not in the United States. Today, the park is managed as an international park by the United States and the country in which it is located. Which country is that?

5. **Everglades National Park.** This national park, located in Florida, is the only place in the world where two particular species exist side by side. Which two species are those?

6. **Touro Synagogue National Historic Site.** This Rhode Island synagogue is the oldest synagogue in the United States and the only one that dates back to colonial times. In what year was the synagogue established?

7. **Central High School National Historic Site.** This high school in Arkansas stands today as a symbol of the struggle for racial equality. In 1957, a group of African American students enrolled at the previously all-white high school. How many students were in that group?

8. **San Juan Island National Historical Park.** The San Juan Islands in the state of Washington were the center of a long dispute between the United States and Canada. One event in 1859 led to a battle between the two countries. What was that event?

9. **Cumberland Gap National Historical Park.** This "gap" in the Appalachian Mountains was the best route for settlers to take as they traveled west. About how many people made their way through the Cumberland Gap between 1775 and 1810?

10. **Bent's Old Fort National Historic Site.** In the 1830s, this fort was the only permanent white settlement on the trail between Missouri and the lands of Mexico. By what name was this trail known?

Section D

1. **Homestead National Monument of America.** This national monument in Nebraska commemorates the Homestead Act of 1862, which provided land to pioneers willing to settle the western territories. How much free land did the Homestead Act grant each settler?

2. **Andrew Johnson National Historic Site.** This site in Tennessee honors the life and work of the 17th U.S. president. On what date was Johnson sworn in as president? (Include the month, day, and year.)

3. **Antietam National Battlefield.** This national site in Maryland commemorates the Battle of Antietam, the bloodiest day in American history. How many soldiers were killed or wounded in that battle on September 17, 1862?

4. **Nicodemus National Historic Site.** The town of Nicodemus, Kansas, was established by African Americans a couple of years after the 13th Amendment ended slavery. In what year was School District #1 established?

5. **Arizona Memorial.** The USS Arizona Memorial commemorates the Americans who lost their lives in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Early in the morning of the attack, what did the crew of the USS Ward see near the entrance to Pearl Harbor?

6. **Washington Monument.** This famous monument to our nation's first president took more than 35 years to build. Most of the construction was done in the last four years of work. Track the growth of the monument for those four years. Next to each year below, write the height to which the monument was built that year.

   1881: _______  1882: _______  1883: _______  1884: _______
7. **Cape Hatteras National Seashore.** These islands, once called the "Graveyard of the Atlantic," stretch more than 70 miles. Number the names of the places below in order of their location, from northernmost (#1) to southernmost (#5), on the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

   ___ Hatteras Island  ___ Kitty Hawk  ___ Nags Head
   ___ Ocracoke Island  ___ Southern Shores

8. **Ellis Island.** Part of the national monument that includes the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island served for many years as the first stop for millions of immigrants to America. When a shipload of immigrants arrived, those who traveled in third class (or "steerage") passed through Ellis Island to be inspected. Passengers who traveled first or second class were not required to undergo inspection at Ellis Island. Why were those immigrants allowed to forego inspection?

9. **Crater Lake National Park.** Crater Lake, the seventh deepest lake in the world, was first discovered by white explorers in 1853. But the discovery was soon forgotten. Why were the discoverers not very interested in "Deep Blue Lake"?

10. **Harpers Ferry National Historical Park.** John Brown played an important role in the history of Harpers Ferry. What did he hope to accomplish by seizing 100,000 weapons at the U.S. Armory and Arsenal at Harpers Ferry?
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Section E

CRISSCROSSING THE COUNTRY: PLAN A TRIP!

DIRECTIONS: Help Bryce and Sara figure out how many miles they'll travel in all from their home in Syracuse, New York, to visit the five landmarks below and then home again. Do the math to find the TOTAL MILES. Write the mileage in the box. (We have rounded the miles.)

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<td>Kitty Hawk, N.C.</td>
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Now choose five landmarks that you would like to visit, and create a chart to show the mileage, just as Bryce and Sara did above. Then use the MapQuest Web site at [http://www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com) to help you plan your trip. Use the "Express Lane" search engine on the main page of the site to find the distances between places. (You don't need to fill in the "address" box. All you need to fill in is the city and the state boxes and click on Get Directions.)

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