



GEOBEE



GET READY FOR THE GEOBEE!

Students can prepare for the National Geographic GeoBee—either at home or in the classroom—using this study toolkit.

This study toolkit is designed to help students learn more about the United States. It includes two maps of the U.S. and GeoBee questions related to each.

PART 1 (PAGES 2-3)

Part 1 includes 12 questions that can be answered using the map of the United States on page 3, which has all of the states labeled. Students should study this map in preparation for Part 2.

PART 2 (PAGES 4-5)

Part 2 includes 12 questions and a blank outline map of the U.S. Prior to answering the questions, students can test their knowledge of the locations of each state by filling out the map on page 5 (without looking back at page 3!). Then, students can answer the 12 questions using the map they completed to check their work!

The answer key for both parts can be found on page 6, along with additional study resources.





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PART 1

Using the labeled U.S. map on page 3, answer the following questions.

1. Which state borders Lake Erie—Nevada or Pennsylvania?
2. Which state borders the Mississippi River—Arkansas or Georgia?
3. Which state lies in the Great Plains—South Dakota or Maryland?
4. Which state is closer to the Pacific Ocean—Texas or Kentucky?
5. Which state has a longer border with Oklahoma—Colorado or Kansas?
6. Which state is located in the Midwest—Oregon or Indiana?
7. Which state borders Tennessee—Mississippi or New York?
8. The source of the Mississippi River, Lake Itasca, is located in which state—Alabama or Minnesota?
9. Which state is west of the Appalachian Mountains—Wyoming or Delaware?
10. Pensacola Bay, an inlet of the Gulf of Mexico, borders which state—Florida or South Carolina?
11. In the spring, hermit thrushes migrate north through Pennsylvania and New York to which bordering state that calls the hermit thrush its state bird—Vermont or Michigan?
12. Which state shares a border with a different country—Alaska or Utah?

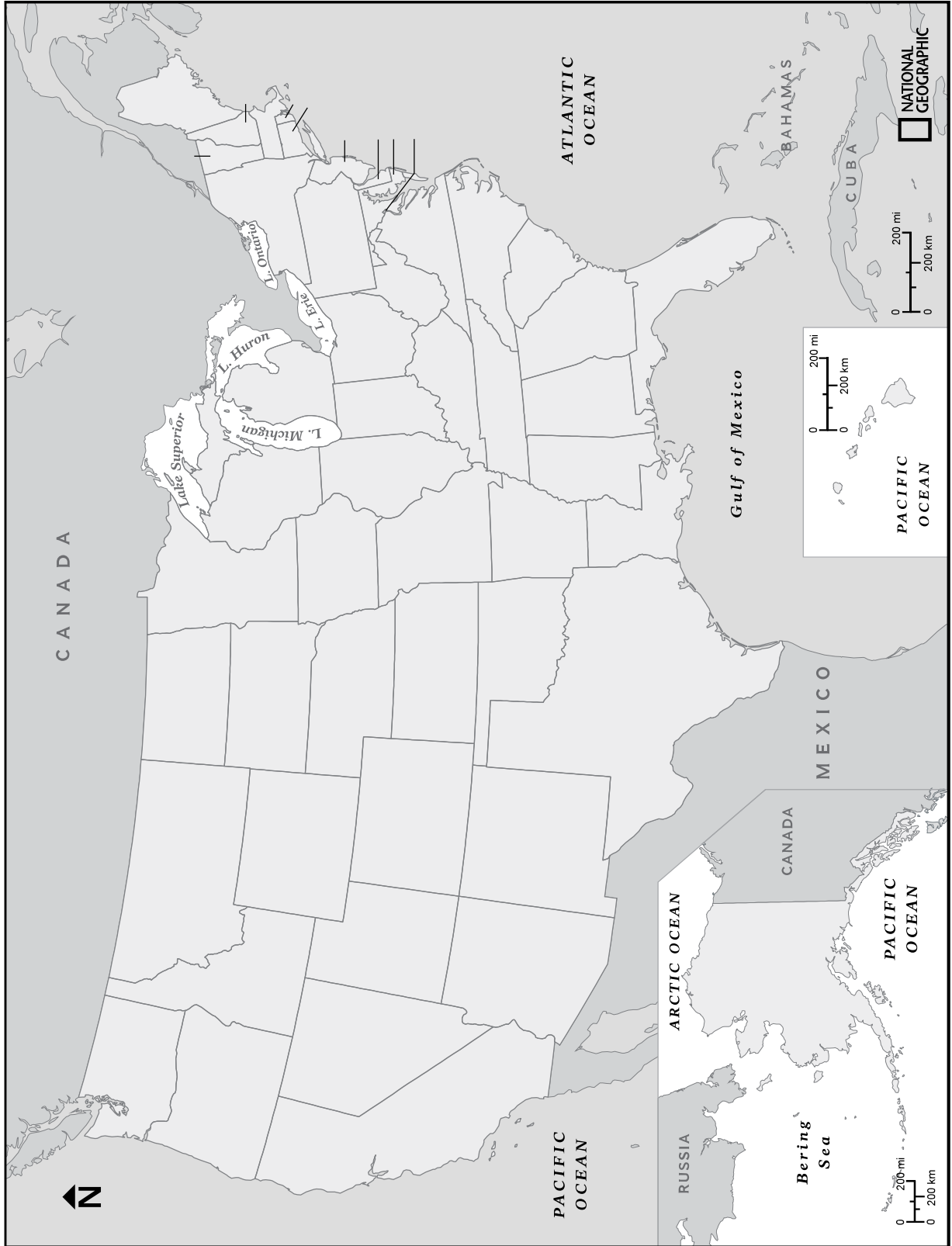


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PART 2

Fill in the blank outline map of the United States on page 5 and use it to answer the questions below.

1. Which state is farther west—Idaho or Rhode Island?
2. Which state is located in New England—New Hampshire or Virginia?
3. Which state has a larger total area—Massachusetts or Wisconsin?
4. Which is the easternmost state in the contiguous United States—Colorado or Maine?
5. Syracuse and Buffalo are cities in which state that borders Pennsylvania—New York or North Carolina?
6. Which state is farther north—New Mexico or Nebraska?
7. Which state has a longer coastline—Louisiana or Connecticut?
8. Which state borders more states—Washington or Illinois?
9. Which state includes the Pacific islands of Oahu and Maui—Arizona or Hawaii?
10. Which state lies directly south of Missouri—Arkansas or Iowa?
11. The Delmarva Peninsula includes parts of Delaware, Virginia, and which other state—Maryland or West Virginia?
12. The explorers Lewis and Clark first spotted the western meadowlark along the Great Falls of the Missouri River, in which state that calls the meadowlark its official bird—Montana or Georgia?





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ANSWER KEY

PART 1

1. Pennsylvania 2. Arkansas 3. South Dakota 4. Texas 5. Kansas 6. Indiana
7. Mississippi 8. Minnesota 9. Wyoming 10. Florida 11. Vermont 12. Alaska

PART 2

1. Idaho 2. New Hampshire 3. Wisconsin 4. Maine 5. New York 6. Nebraska
7. Louisiana 8. Illinois 9. Hawaii 10. Arkansas 11. Maryland 12. Montana

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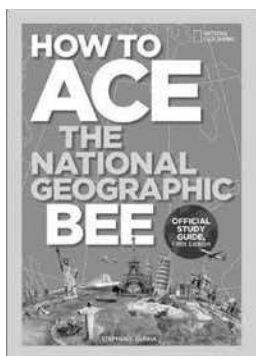
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APPENDIX C—SAMPLE QUESTIONS TO PROVIDE TO MEDIA

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC GEOBEE SAMPLE QUESTIONS

1. The Painted Desert is located near Flagstaff in which state—North Dakota or Arizona?
a. Arizona
2. Which state borders Lake Erie—Nevada or Pennsylvania?
a. Pennsylvania
3. The western meadowlark can be seen in pastures around Dodge City in which state that calls the meadowlark its official bird—Kansas or Hawaii?
a. Kansas
4. What is the term for a wetland created where a river meets a larger body of water and deposits sediment—moraine or delta?
a. delta
5. Most kangaroos are left-handed. This includes eastern grey kangaroos that live near the Great Dividing Range on which continent?
a. Australia
6. Which empire dominated the area of the present-day country of Mexico before its conquest by the Spanish in the 1500s—Aztec Empire or Persian Empire?
a. Aztec Empire
7. Which country does not have coastline on the Arctic Ocean—Norway, United States, or Ireland?
a. Ireland
8. In 2017, the city of Beirut hosted the International Basketball Federation Asia Cup in what small Mediterranean country?
a. Lebanon
9. Jackson Lake, located in Grand Teton National Park, is in what state?
a. Wyoming
10. Asunción is the most populous city in which South American country?
a. Paraguay