

AMERICAN STATES QUIZ III

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1> With an average rainfall of 9.5 inches per year, which state is the driest state in the U.S.?

- a. Arizona
- b. Utah
- c. Nevada
- d. Wyoming

2> Crowned in Atlantic City in 1994, from what state was Heather Whitestone, the first deaf "Miss America"?

- a. Mississippi
- b. Alabama
- c. Georgia
- d. Tennessee

3> Which state is also known as the "Old Line State" or the "Free State"?

- a. New Hampshire
- b. Pennsylvania
- c. Maryland
- d. New York

4> Chances are that you know that the capital of Montana is Helena, but do you know what Montana's largest city is?

- a. Missoula
- b. Great Falls

- c. Billings
- d. Helena

5> Before the American Civil War, how many Southern states declared their secession and formed the Confederate States of America?

- a. Seven
- b. Nine
- c. Eight
- d. Six

6> When did Walter Washington take office as the first mayor of the District of Columbia?

- a. January 2, 1975
- b. January 2, 1945
- c. January 2, 1965
- d. January 2, 1955

7> Which is the fourth-largest (in land size) state in the U.S.?

- a. Idaho
- b. Montana
- c. California
- d. Washington

8> Extending into Montana and Idaho, Yellowstone National Park is located primarily in which state?

- a. Oregon
- b. Washington
- c. Wyoming
- d. South Dakota

9> Which state imposed the first state sales tax on May 3, 1921?

- a. Virginia
- b. New York
- c. Connecticut
- d. West Virginia

10> The Rocky Mountains were discovered in 1739 by which explorers?

- a. Lewis and Martin
- b. Cook and Magellan
- c. Lewis and Clark
- d. Pierre and Paul Mallet

11> In what U.S. city were the first electric traffic lights installed on August 5, 1914?

- a. Cleveland, Ohio
- b. Boston, Massachusetts
- c. New York City
- d. Chicago, Illinois

12> What is the largest city in the U.S. state of Kansas?

- a. Topeka
- b. Lawrence
- c. Kansas City
- d. Wichita

13> Which state is also known as the "Creole State"?

- a. Arkansas
- b. Louisiana
- c. Florida
- d. Mississippi

14> With an average of about 64 inches of precipitation each year, which state receives the most rainfall in the United States?

- a. Florida
- b. California
- c. Texas
- d. Hawaii

15> "Manly Deeds, Womanly Words" is the motto of which U.S. state?

- a. Georgia
- b. Nebraska
- c. South Carolina
- d. Maryland

Answers:

- 1> Nevada - The driest time of the year for most of the dry states is winter.
- 2> Alabama - Heather lost her hearing when she was 18 months old.
- 3> Maryland - Maryland is also known as the Chesapeake Bay State.
- 4> Billings - Billings has a population of about 165,361.
- 5> Seven - The Civil War lasted 4 years, 3 weeks and 6 days.
- 6> January 2, 1975 - He served from January 2, 1975 to January 2, 1979.
- 7> Montana - Alaska is the largest state in total area.
- 8> Wyoming - Yellowstone National Park was established on March 1, 1872.
- 9> West Virginia - The tax went into effect on July 1 of 1921.
- 10> Pierre and Paul Mallet - Pierre and Paul were born in Montreal, Canada.
- 11> Cleveland, Ohio - The first traffic lights ever to be used were in London.
- 12> Wichita - Wichita is the 49th-largest city in the United States.
- 13> Louisiana - Louisiana's largest city is New Orleans.
- 14> Hawaii - Hawaii is the only U.S. state made up entirely of islands.
- 15> Maryland - Currently Maryland is the wealthiest state in the United States.