1. What is the capital of Massachusetts? ______________________________

2. What two states border Massachusetts on the north? ___________________________ and ____________________________________________

3. What state borders Massachusetts on the west? ___________________________

4. What two states border Massachusetts on the south? ___________________________ and _____________________________________________

5. What ocean borders Massachusetts on the east? __________________________

6. What is the name of the river that runs north-south through west central Massachusetts? ________________________________________

7. What is the name of the large cape (a strip of land jutting into the sea) in southeastern Massachusetts? _______________________________________

8. What is the name of the historic city in Massachusetts that is famous for its witchcraft trials? It is located on the east coast between Boston and Gloucester. _________________________

9. During the Revolutionary War, on the night of April 18, 1775, Paul Revere rode northwest from Boston to warn the people of approaching British troops. To which town did he ride? (It starts with an LE.) _______________________________

10. The Pilgrims' boat, the Mayflower, landed first at Provincetown, Cape Cod, and then at Plymouth Rock, in what is now Plymouth, Massachusetts. In which part of Massachusetts did they land: the northeast, southeast, northwest, or southwest? __________________________________

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**Facts About Massachusetts**

**State Bird:** Black-Capped Chickadee (Parus atricapillus)

**State Game Bird:** Wild Turkey (Meleagris gallopavo)

**State Dog:** Boston terrier

**State Horse:** Morgan horse

**State Cat:** Tabby cat

**State Fish:** Cod

**State Insect:** Ladybug (ladybird beetle)

**State Shell:** New England Neptune (Neptuna fyllata decaenostata)

**State Marine Mammal:** Right whale

**State Tree:** American elm (Ulmus Americana)

**State Flower:** Mayflower (Epigaea regens)

**State Bean:** Navy Bean

**State Fossil:** Dinosaur (theropod) tracks

**State Gem:** Rhodonite

**State Mineral:** Babingtonite

**State Rock:** Roxbury puddingstone

**State Historical Rock:** Plymouth Rock

**State Building Rock:** Granite

**State Explorer Rock:** Dighton Rock

**State Soil:** Paxton Soil Series

**State State Folk Hero:** Johnny Appleseed

**State Heroine:** Deborah Samson

**State Folk Dance:** Square dance

**State Beverage:** Cranberry juice

**State Muffin:** Corn muffin

**State Dessert:** Boston cream pie

**State Cookie:** Chocolate chip cookie

**State Nickname:** Bay State

**State Song:** All Hail to Massachusetts

**Origin of the Name Massachusetts:** Massachusetts was named for an Algonquian Indian word that means "a big hill place."

**State Motto:** Ense petit placidam sub libertate quietem (By the sword we seek peace, but peace only under liberty)
Boston Name Game

START

What is the average winter temperature in Boston?

A 75

31 B G E

How many ships took place in the Boston Tea Party?

2 O T

N

What is the tallest building in Boston?

John Hancock Tower

Prudential Tower

Is the Boston Public Garden first public botanical garden in America?

YES

A

U H

W

How many Superbowls have the New England Patriots won?

3 U B

FINISH

Boston has lots of nicknames but two are heard more often than others. What are they?

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Boston Trivia

1) Why is Boston called Beantown?
a.) Because pilgrims grew beans as their first crop
b.) Because cooking was not allowed on Sundays so big pots of Boston baked Beans were made so they could be eaten on Sunday.
c.) Because green beans are a primary crop of the Boston area.
d.) Because of all the universities in Boston (bean is slang for brain).

2. What was the Boston Massacre?
a. ) An Indian attack of colonists in colonial days.
b.) An attack by colonists of Indians in colonial days.
c.) The killing of five civilian men by British officers

d.) An attack by Rebels during the Civil War.

3. Who led the Boston Tea Party?
a.) Samuel Adams     b.) John Adams
c.) Edith Wharton     d.) Nathan Hale

4. What famous incident involving molasses occurred in 1919?
a.) The famous Boston Baked Beans were invented.
b.) A giant flood of molasses killed 21 people.
c.) A taxation issue caused citizens to dump molasses into the harbor, imitating the Tea Party.
d.) Health issues called for all molasses in the Boston area to be discarded.

5. When was the First Thanksgiving held?
a.) 1620     b.) 1621     c.) 1640     d.) 1641

6. When did the Big Dig officially get funding and begin?
a.) 1982     b.) 1987     c.) 1993     d.) 1995

Cryptogram

A cryptogram is a puzzle where a sentence is encoded by substituting the actual letters of the sentence with different letters or symbols. The challenge of the puzzle is to ‘decode’ the sentence to reveal the original English sentence. Below you will find a very famous line from the poem, Paul Revere’s Ride.

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Word Search

34 words are hidden. The words appear op, down, across, backwards and diagonally.
See if you can find them all.

AMERICAN REVOLUTION
JOHN HANCOCK
SAM ADAMS
BOSTON TEA PARTY
BOSTON MASSACRE
OLD NORTH CHURCH
PAUL REVERE
RED SOX
CELTICS

PATRIOTS
NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM
BEACON HILL
BUNKER HILL
CAMBRIDGE
CHARLES RIVER
CHINATOWN
CONSTITUTION
COLEY SQUARE

FANEUIL HALL
FENWAY PARK
BRUINS
PURITAN
MAYFLOWER
PUBLIC GARDEN
BOSTON COMMON
BOSTON CREAM PIE
FROG POND

QUINCY MARKET
FREEDOM TRAIL
SWAN BOATS
TRINITY CHURCH
ZAKIM BRIDGE
BIG DIG
Ducklings

ANSWERS:


TIC TAC TOE
CROSS OUT EACH OF THE SITES AS YOU PASS THEM. GET FIVE BOXES IN A ROW EITHER UP, DOWN, RIGHT, LEFT OR DIAGONAL TO WIN. WHEN YOU DO, YELL “BINGO!”