MYSTERY PLACES

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WHY GEOGRAPHY MATTERS

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-icfmXhervo
1) Asking Geographic Questions
2) Acquiring Geographic Information
3) Organizing Geographic Information
4) Analyzing Geographic Information
5) Answering Geographic Questions.
NOW MORE THAN EVER, students need the intellectual power to recognize societal problems; ask good questions and develop robust investigations into them; consider possible solutions and consequences; separate evidence-based claims from parochial opinions; and communicate and act upon what they learn. And most importantly, they must possess the capability and commitment to repeat that process as long as is necessary. Young people need strong tools for, and methods of, clear and disciplined thinking in order to traverse successfully the worlds of college, career, and civic life.
Gifted Students Need

- Depth
- Choice
- Challenge
- Integration of skills
INTERACTIVE BULLETIN BOARD

US Map
Clue Set
Blank Slips
Answer Box
Weekly Geographers
MONDAY

Jean Nicolet, the first explorer to arrive in this state, was disappointed to discover he had not landed in China.

TUESDAY

Christopher L. Sholes, an inventor, journalist, and politician, helped invent the first practical typewriter in 1867 while working in this state.

WEDNESDAY

This state is known as America’s Dairyland. It leads the nation in the production of milk.
Thursday:

This state’s capital is named after the fourth President of the United States.

Friday:

Thousands of people come to this state to visit the beaches, resorts, and countryside of Door Peninsula, located on the shoreline of Lake Michigan.
ANSWER

STATE

SUMMARY

Wisconsin

Last Week’s Daily Detective Answer

... green pastures and thousands of dairy herds have made Wisconsin a tremendous producer of milk and other dairy products. With its resource of thick forests, Wisconsin is one of the leaders in the production of paper products. Each year vacationers come to Wisconsin to swim, fish, and boat in its beautiful lakes, and hunt in its many forests.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin’s largest city, is located along the shores of Lake Michigan.
RESEARCH

• What is the internet?
• What’s a source?
• How do you take notes?
• Tracking resources
WHERE DO YOU FIND GOOD SOURCES

• Maps, atlases, globes
• Trade books
• Internet
  • .edu
  • .gov
• State websites
• National Park websites
NOTETAKING

• Questions
• Key Words
• 3 x 5 cards

Washington: Fun Facts

1. longest floating bridge
2. largest building
3. Starbucks' birthplace
4. Kennewick man
5. giant gum wall
TRACKING SOURCES

Noodletools  https://www.noodletools.com/

Citation Machine  http://www.citationmachine.net/
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GEOGRAPHY CLUB

Formatting Requirements
- Creating on tablets
- Handmade
- Art

Ordering Clues
- How will clues be revealed?
- Teacher edit

Work Time
- Complete all written and art work
DAILY CLUES - STUDENT GENERATED

**MONDAY**

Monday

This state is in the southern region.

**TUESDAY**

Tuesday

“Float like a butterfly sting like a bee” was a famous quote by a person born in this state.

**WEDNESDAY**

Wednesday

This state is home to the largest cave system in the world.
THURSDAY

This state is also known as the Bluegrass state.

FRIDAY

There is a popular chicken restaurant named after this state.
This week’s mystery state is Kentucky. Kentucky is in the southern region and is home to the quote “Float like a butterfly, sting like a bee.” - By Muhammad Ali. Kentucky Fried Chicken is also named after Kentucky.
NATIONAL STANDARDS

Geographic Skills

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BOOKS

- The 50 States by Gabrielle Balkan
- *The Scrambled States of America* by Laurie Keller
- *The Train of States* by Peter Sis
- *Yo, Sacramento! (And all those other State Capitals you don’t know)* by Will Cleveland & Mark Alvarez
- *Mystery States* by Daryl Vriesenga
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Education World
https://www.educationworld.com/a_lesson/archives/state.shtml

Five Themes of Geography
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AlqC79WrpKg

National Geographic Bee
https://www.nationalgeographic.org/education/student-experiences/geobee/study/quiz/
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