

National U.S. Geography Bee – Round 4 (3rd-5th)

Regulation Tossups

(1) This national park includes attractions such as Grand Avenue and Frozen Niagara. The Martin Ridge Cave System may connect to this park, which represents a large subterranean network in the Appalachian Mountains. For the point, identify this national park in Kentucky, home to the longest known cave system in the U.S.

ANSWER: **Mammoth** Cave National Park (accept **Mammoth**-Flint Ridge Cave System)

(2) This peninsula's inland town of Ishpeming contains the National Skiing Hall of Fame. This peninsula forms the largest exclave of a U.S. state, and this peninsula has a far-eastern portion that extends into Lake Huron. For the point, name this peninsula which borders Wisconsin, a region of northern Michigan.

ANSWER: **Upper Peninsula** (or **U.P.**; or **Yoop**)

(3) This national park, which is accessible from the town of 29 Palms, is known for rock formations like the Giant Marbles. This park is located between Riverside and San Bernardino Counties in the Mojave Desert. For the point, name this national park in California, which protects a type of tree also known as the yucca palm.

ANSWER: **Joshua Tree** National Park

(4) This neighborhood, home to Surf and Mermaid Avenues, is located at the southernmost terminus of the Western Hemisphere's busiest subway system. In this neighborhood, Luna Park sits on the former grounds of Astroland. Known for its hot dog eating competition on July 4th, for the point, what is this beach neighborhood in Brooklyn?

ANSWER: **Coney Island** (prompt on "Brooklyn" before mentioned)

(5) This state has over 2,000 lakes, the largest of which is the 116-square-mile Moosehead Lake. This state's longest river is the Saint John River, which winds through Canada and empties into the Bay of Fundy. Kennebec County is located in, for the point, what New England state that has its capital at Augusta?

ANSWER: **Maine**

(6) This city contains the largest stadium on the West Coast of the United States, which hosted the 1994 World Cup Final, as well as soccer matches during the 1984 Summer Olympics. This city hosts a parade of flower-covered floats on New Year's Day. For the point, name this city north of Los Angeles, known for hosting CalTech and the Rose Bowl.

ANSWER: **Pasadena**

(7) This city's name is derived from Choctaw words for "black" and "warrior," in reference to the Black Warrior River, which flows through this city's north. This Southern city served as its state's capital before the designation was moved to Montgomery. For the point, name this city, home to the University of Alabama.

ANSWER: **Tuscaloosa**

(8) This is the only U.S. territory where motorists drive on the left side of the road. This territory is primarily composed of Saint Croix, Saint John, and Saint Thomas, and its capital is Charlotte Amalie. For the point, name this U.S. territory in the Caribbean which shares an archipelago with a similarly named British territory.

ANSWER: United States **Virgin** Islands (or **Virgin** Islands of the United States; do NOT accept "British Virgin Islands")

(9) This facility is topped by a clock-statue called the *Glory of Commerce*. This station is set to be connected to the Long Island Rail Road by the East Side Access project. For the point, name this Manhattan rail station, whose Main Concourse displays a ceiling of constellations.

ANSWER: **Grand Central** Terminal (accept **Grand Central** Station)

(10) This structure was originally named for nearby Boulder City, and this structure includes Art Deco motifs and large eagle statues. This structure forms Lake Mead and it provides power for nearby Las Vegas. For the point, name this large structure, named for a president, which dams the Colorado River.

ANSWER: **Hoover** Dam

(11) One city of this name at the northern end of the Guadalupe Mountains is situated on the Pecos River. One national park of this name contains Lechuguilla Cave, as well as massive stalagmites in its "Big Room." For the point, give this name borne by a set of caverns in southeastern New Mexico.

ANSWER: **Carlsbad** (accept **Carlsbad** Caverns National Park)

(12) This city is located on the Pinellas Peninsula between Tampa Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. This city plays host to the Rowdies at Al Lang Stadium, as well as the Rays at Tropicana Field. For the point, name this Florida city that shares its name with the second-largest city in Russia.

ANSWER: **St. Petersburg**

(13) This river is the second-longest tributary of the Colorado River. This river's mouth is situated near the city of Yuma in southeastern Arizona. For the point, name this river of the American southwest that shares its name with a type of desert-dwelling lizard termed a "monster."

ANSWER: **Gila** [[HEE-lah]] River (accept **Gila** monster)

(14) Robert E. Lee and Jefferson Davis are controversially depicted on a massive sculpture at this state's Stone Mountain, while its Springer Mountain is the southern terminus of the Appalachian Trail. For the point, name this largest U.S. state east of the Mississippi River, which lies between South Carolina and Florida.

ANSWER: **Georgia**

(15) This city is home to Transylvania University and Kroger Stadium. This city is the seat of Fayette County, and locations such as Keeneland and the Red Mile made this city the "Horse Capital of the World." The largest city of the Bluegrass region is, for the point, what second-largest city of Kentucky?

ANSWER: Lexington

(16) The Missisquoi River is a tributary of this lake, and the southern part of this lake contains Fort Ticonderoga. This lake is linked to the St. Lawrence River via the Richelieu [[REE-shuh-LEW]] River. Plattsburgh and Burlington are located on, for the point, what lake between New York and Vermont?

ANSWER: Lake Champlain (or Lac Champlain; or Pitawbagw; or Pitawbagok; or Kaniatarakwa:ronte; or Kaniá:tare tsi kahnhoka:ronte; or Caniaderi Guarunte)

(17) The football stadium of a university based in this city is actually situated outside of it, across the Charles River. This city, where prospective students rub the toes of the Statue of Three Lies for good luck, is home to the Widener Library. For the point, name this college town located across from Boston.

ANSWER: Cambridge

(18) A national lakeshore protecting these formations includes North and South Manitou islands on the western coast of Michigan, which were named after an Ojibwe legend about a sleeping bear. A national park dedicated in 2019 protects these features in northwestern Indiana. For the point, name these hills commonly formed on lakeshores from wind-blown sand deposits.

ANSWER: sand dunes

(19) This city, the "Hot Air Balloon Capital of the World," hosts the International Balloon Fiesta every October. This city houses the main campus of a university that also has campuses in Taos and Los Lunas, and that university in this city is the largest public university in its state. For the point name this largest city in New Mexico.

ANSWER: Albuquerque [[al-buh-KER-kee]]

(20) A spicy version of this food sold at baseball games is known as "the Heater" and sold by Campo's. Provolone is an ingredient in this food recommended by Joey Vento, who founded a restaurant which specializes in this food, called Geno's. For the point, identify this popular sandwich named for Philadelphia.

ANSWER: Philly cheesesteak (accept steak and cheese)

(21) The Alfred Caldwell Lily Pool is located within this city's Lincoln Park. This city's Jackson Park and Midway Plaisance were used to host an 1893 world's fair, known as the World's Columbian Exposition. For the point, identify this Midwestern city that was damaged in a Great 1871 fire.

ANSWER: Chicago (accept Chicago World's Fair; accept Great Chicago Fire)

(22) A feature called Ulm Pishkun was used to drive these animals off a cliff by the Blackfeet People. Head-Smashed-In is another example of “jumps” used to kill these animals, which were displayed on the reverse side of Indian Head nickels. For the point, name this large, horned bovine which inhabits Yellowstone National Park.

ANSWER: **bison** (accept **buffalo**, **buffalo** jump, or **buffalo** nickel)

(23) The mouth of this river is between Old Lyme and Old Saybrook, where this river meets the Long Island Sound. This river forms the border between New Hampshire and Vermont. For the point, identify this longest river in New England, which crosses through Springfield and Hartford in its namesake state.

ANSWER: **Connecticut** River

(24) A venue in this city, which hosts its NBA team's home games, is called Paycom Center. The Survivor Tree in this city memorializes an event which collapsed the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. For the point, name this city which contains a memorial for the victims of a 1995 bombing carried out by Timothy McVeigh.

ANSWER: **Oklahoma City** (accept **OKC**, **Oklahoma City** Thunder, or **Oklahoma City** bombing)

(25) In this state, the Spirit Lake Reservation is located on the shores of this state's largest natural body of water, Devils Lake. This state has its easternmost point at the Bois de Sioux [[bwah-duh-SOO]] River near Fairmount and shares the International Peace Garden with Manitoba. For the point, name this state, home to Fargo and Bismarck.

ANSWER: **North Dakota**

(26) A "chain" of these features extends along the Fox River in Illinois. Counties named for these features in Illinois and Indiana include Waukegan and Gary. For the point, identify this type of hydrological feature, of which Minnesota is nicknamed the land of "10,000."

ANSWER: **lakes** (accept Chain o' **Lakes**; accept Land of 10,000 **Lakes**)

(27) Behind New Jersey, this state is second in terms of population density. This state's namesake sound forms the eastern extension of Block Island Sound. "The Ocean State" is the nickname of, for the point, what smallest state in New England, which contains Providence?

ANSWER: **Rhode Island** (accept **Rhode Island** Sound)

(28) This city is home to the only school of freshwater sciences in the United States. This city's Menomonee River is overlooked by the Hoan Bridge, Miller Park, and a museum featuring Elvis Presley's motorcycle, the Harley-Davidson Museum. For the point, name this largest city in Wisconsin.

ANSWER: **Milwaukee** (accept University of Wisconsin-**Milwaukee**; accept UW-**Milwaukee**)

(29) This state's petroleum center of Port Fourchon is the southernmost point of this state that is accessible by car. This state is home to Lake Charles, and this state contains the end of the Red River and the tributary of the Atchafalaya River. For the point, name this state, which is home to New Orleans.

ANSWER: **Louisiana**

(30) Tenzing Momo is an apothecary shop at a farmers' market in this city that was located near the Alaskan Way Viaduct. Pike Place Market is located in this city, where the online retailer Amazon was founded. For the point, identify this most-populous city in the state of Washington, the home of the Space Needle.

ANSWER: Seattle

Extra Question

(1) The Shoshone River is a tributary of this river, which bisects the Crow Indian Reservation. This river, which merges with the Yellowstone River 50 miles northeast of Billings, is named for a type of sheep. For the point, identify this river, a "little" tributary of which was the site of Custer's Last Stand.

ANSWER: Bighorn River (accept bighorn sheep, Little Bighorn, or Battle of the Little Bighorn)