

1. This region was the subject of a 1962 Allan W. Eckert article which quoted a pilot as describing "white" and "green water." The largest non-combat loss of life in U.S. Naval history occurred here in 1918 when the USS *Cyclops* went down here. Contrary to popular belief, Lloyd's of London does not charge higher insurance rates to ships traveling through this region. Its infamy originated with an article about the disappearance of Flight 19 here, which conspiracy theorists have blamed on UFO abductions. For the point, name this region in the western Atlantic Ocean where aircraft and ships supposedly mysteriously disappear. ANSWER: **Bermuda Triangle** [or **Devil's Triangle**]

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2. Two supporters of this movement, Gabriel Hudon and Raymond Villeneuve, killed Wilfred O'Neil with a bomb. The "Popular Liberation Movement" of Charles Gagnon and Pierre Vallieres combined with an organization that supported this goal. Rene Levesque founded a political party that held a 1980 referendum on whether to accomplish this goal. Members of an organization that supported this movement kidnapped James Cross and Pierre Laporte during the October Crisis. The FLQ violently supports the goal of this movement. For the point, name this movement of self-rule for a French-speaking province of Canada. ANSWER: Quebec sovereignty [or Quebec separatism; or Quebec independence; or any answer indicating that Quebec would rule itself]

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3. The capital of this country is built on a height called Mount Sceberras, which divides this country's Great Harbor from Marsamxett Harbor. The Roman governor Publius is buried in a cathedral in this country at Mdina. This country contains a set of Megalithic temples, including the Ggantija complex and the Tarxien complex, on Gozo. During World War II, this country as a whole received the St. George Cross for valor. It was defended from the Ottomans under the leadership of Jean de la Vallette. This country's symbol is the eight-pointed cross adopted by its longtime rulers, the Knights Hospitallers. For the point, name this Mediterranean island nation south of Sicily and north of Libya.

ANSWER: Malta

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4. Just outside this city, disabled workers are employed at the Bombolulu workshops as artisans. This city is a few miles north of the tourist-frequented Diani Beach. This city's Moi Avenue is home to two towering sculptures of elephant tusks. Fort Jesus was built by Europeans near this city's Old Town. This city's namesake island is split from the mainland by Tudor Creek, and its Kilindini Harbor was a major center of the Swahili slave trade. For the point, name this port city in Kenya.

ANSWER: Mombasa

5. The largest district in this region, which also makes up its entire southern half, is the Kufra District. In December 2013, a pro-autonomy group in this region signed a deal with the lobbying firm Dickens and Madson. In October of 2013, a government for this region with 24 ministers and prime minister Abdraba Abdulhameed Al-Barasi was declared. That government in this region has largely been orchestrated by Ibrahim Jadhran, who has taken control of oil production in this region. For the point, name this region that once bordered Tripolitania and Fezzan and currently has some movement for autonomous governance in eastern Libya..

ANSWER: Cyrenaica

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6. A Tudor-style Story House in this city offers information about the city and its tea industry, and this city is also the location of the Museum of Drinking Water. This city commemorated people massacred in 1947 by renaming a park the 228 Peace Park. A museum dedicated to aboriginal people from the island of this city is called the Shung Ye Museum. In 2004, the Petronas Towers were replaced by a namesake 101 building in this city as the world's tallest building. For the point, name this Asian capital city that is also the location of a memorial hall named for Chiang Kai-shek.

ANSWER: Taipei

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7. In a story depicting an "Autumn" in this region, Isaac McCaslin sees that Roth Edmonds has killed a doe just after helping Roth pay off a black lover. David Cohen quipped that this region extended from the Peabody Hotel to Catfish Row. The east of this region contains the cities of Greenwood and Vicksburg. Bounded on the east by the Yazoo River, this region is the birthplace of an early style of blues practiced by Robert Johnson, and has historically been home to a large black population. For the point, identify this northwest section of Mississippi once advantageous for cotton plantations due to its location near a namesake river.

ANSWER: Mississippi **Delta** 

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8. This state is the location of the Nikolaikirche (nee-kol-EYE-keer-keh), which was the location of Christian Fuhrer's Monday demonstrations against Communist restrictions. The Pillitz Palace is located in this state, whose Zwinger Palace contains the Old Masters Picture Gallery. The construction of the Little Castle in the Woods Bridge across the Elbe River in the capital of this state prompted the revocation of the surrounding area's status as a UNESCO World Heritage site. That capital of this state lost approximately 100,000 residents during a World War II firebombing. For the point, name this state in eastern Germany in which Leipzig is located and whose capital is Dresden.

ANSWER: **Saxony** [or **Sachsen**]

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9. This state contains the northern half of the National Radio Quiet Zone, which is designed to aid the radio astronomy telescope at Green Bank, where the Drake Equation on extraterrestrial life was presented. Violent labor disputes shook this landlocked state's towns of Paint Creek and Matewan in the 1910s and 20s. This state is home to the highest east-of-the-Mississippi vehicular bridge, an enormous steel arch over New River Gorge. For the point, identify this state where coal mining wars took place decades after it broke off from its eastern neighbor during the Civil War.

ANSWER: West Virginia

10. The first successful automobile company in the United States operated in this state, and was the Haynes-Apperson company. It's not Ohio, but a gas boom occurred in this state's Trenton Gas Field. Paul Dresser wrote an 1897 song about this state's official river. This state's emblematic poet was John Whitcomb Riley, and Springs Valley High School in this state is where its native son played games in French Lick. In this modern-day state, George Rogers Clark captured Fort Sackville and Vincennes during the Revolutionary War. The Wabash River flows through this state before draining into the Ohio River. For the point, name this "Hoosier state."

ANSWER: Indiana

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11. This city includes a Highway Axis and a Monumental Axis, which is lined with its governmental buildings. The center of this city consists of the Square of the Three Powers, and its inner city residential zones are organized as superblocks. This city's cathedral includes sixteen concrete columns, and its Palace of the Dawn is the presidential residence. It is located between the headwaters of the Parana, Sao Francisco, and Tocantins rivers. Lucio Costa was responsible for the master plan for this city, which resembles the shape of an airplane. For the point, name this city that was designed in part by Oscar Niemeyer and is the capital of Brazil.

ANSWER: Brasilia

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12. A theory about this body of water's name states that Portuguese sailors coined it in reference to a small species of tropical grape. It names a series of William Hope Hodgson stories that include "From the Tideless Sea." This sea is the traditional spawning migration center of both the European and American eel. The name of this sea comes from a specific genus of broth macroalgae, which has a reputation for ensnaring ships, although ships trapped here are mostly affected by the horse latitudes. For the point, name this sea in the North Atlantic noted for the massive amounts of seaweed found there.

ANSWER: **Sargasso** Sea [prompt on the **Atlantic** Ocean]

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13. The oldest long-distance trail in the United States travels by this range's Mount Wilson. The second-tallest peak of these mountains and a thousand acres of land were presented to Mortimer Proctor as a birthday present in 1910. This mountain range is home to the Killington Ski Resort, which is on this range's second-highest peak. The Long Trail passes by this mountain range, which includes the Camel's Hump and Pico Peak as well as "The Resting Lion." In Massachusetts, these mountains are known as the Berkshires. For the point, name this mountain range in Vermont that includes Mount Mansfield.

ANSWER: **Green** Mountains [prompt on **Berkshires** until it is read]

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14. This location was bought in 1887 by the owners of a rock quarry, the Venable Brothers. This location was where William Simmons led a meeting of groups like the Knights of Mary Phagan, who applauded the lynching of Leo Frank. In 1915, this site was the location of a cross burning that signaled the formation of a new version of the Ku Klux Klan. Mount Rushmore sculptor Gutzon Borglum abandoned a project here in 1925 commissioned by the United Daughters of the Confederacy. For the point, name this quartz dome in Georgia, which has a bas-relief depicting Stonewall Jackson, Robert E. Lee, and Jefferson Davis.

**ANSWER: Stone Mountain** 

15. This biome contains the endangered riverine rabbit, and huge bursts of orange daisies can be seen each spring in its town of Calvinia. This region is home to shrubs called "bossies" which are grazed upon by the sheep on its many sheep farms. In early 2014, the Buffels river flooded this region's town of Laingsburg, and it also includes ostrich breeders in the town of Oudtshoorn. This region contains "Nama" and "Succulent" subregions, and its name is thought to be a Khoisan word for "land of thirst." The Matjiesfontein military graveyard honors Scots and Boers who died in this region. For the point, name this arid region north of Cape Town in southwestern South Africa.

ANSWER: **Karoo** [or Great **Karoo**; or Little **Karoo**]

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16. This country was where Alois Estermann was murdered in his apartment, possibly by a state assassin. During World War II, Hugh O'Flaherty sheltered various Jews and refugees in his office within this country. This country's current head of state lives in Saint Martha's House, a far smaller residence than the palace formerly used by its leaders. It was created in the 1929 Lateran Treaty, and this country is home to St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel. For the point, name this smallest internationally recognized independent state, an enclave where the Pope lives.

ANSWER: Vatican City State

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17. On Bali, priests bless *subak* to maintain these things. In Japan, family names containing the syllable "ta" refer to these areas. In the Philippines, a set of these areas in the mountains of Ifugao are referred to as the "eighth wonder of the world," since they are made from an elaborate system of terraces carved into the mountains. Water buffalo are raised to plow these strips of land, which are surrounded by earthworks so that they hold rain during the monsoon season. For the point, name these flooded allotments of land used to grow rice in Asia.

ANSWER: **paddy** fields [or rice **paddies**]

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18. This region has a sixteen foot tall, 5,500 pound bronze and gold statue called "God of Fortune" in a building owned by Sheldon Adelson. People who sell "dead chips" in this region take part in a business system called bate-ficha. Franco Dragone created "The House of Dancing Water" for this region's City of Dreams, which is a complex located on reclaimed land between the islands of Coloane and Taipa. This region includes the Cotai Strip, and it is known as the "Monte Carlo of the Orient." For the point, name this special administrative region of China that in 2006 started taking in more revenue than Las Vegas from gambling.

ANSWER: <u>Macau</u> Special Administrative Region [or <u>Aomen</u> Tebie Xingzhengqu; or Regiao Administrativa Especial de <u>Macau</u>]

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19. Railroad manager Otto Ohlson controlled this city for decades, and its Turnagain-by-the-Sea subdivision was destroyed in a natural disaster, which also destroyed the five story tall "Penney Building." This city is near the very large Chugach State Park. It was only seventy-five miles from the epicenter of the 1964 Good Friday Earthquake. The airport here is named in honor of former Senator Ted Stevens. The Iditarod dog race begins in this city, and more state employees live in this city than the capital of Juneau. For the point, name this most populous city in Alaska.

**ANSWER:** Anchorage

20. This group's 10 Point Program reaffirmed this group's opposition to United Nations Resolution 242. Ahmad Shuqayri was the first chair of this group, and this group was expelled by King Hussein during the Black September crisis. Men associated with this group shot Leon Klinghoffer in the hijacking of the *Achille Lauro*, and this group agreed to the Oslo Accords following negotiations with Shimon Peres. The main faction of this group is Fatah, and Hamas opposed this organization's decision to recognize a rival's right to exist in 1988. For the point, name this organization whose chairman was Yasir Arafat and fought against Israel to gain a country for Arabs who lived in the mandate.

ANSWER: Palestine Liberation Organization [or PLO; do not accept "Palestinian Authority"]

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21. Bal Thackeray was a cartoonist active in this city. In 1784, this city was formed from the union of seven islands by a project called the Hornby Vellard. Dabbawalas deliver food to workers in this city. Marathi nationalists in the 1960s formed Shiv Sena in this city. An arch made of basalt in this city's harbor was constructed to commemorate the 1911 visit of George V and Queen Mary. This city, the capital of Maharashtra, was attacked by Lakshar e-Taiba terrorists in 2008. For the point, name this most populous city of India and the home of the Hindi-language film industry.

ANSWER: **Mumbai** [or **Bombay**]

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22. A monument in this city is meant to represent the destination of the sacred bird Samruk. This city includes a 150-meter tall transparent tent that is as wide as ten football fields. A tower in this city was designed to resemble the tree of life holding a golden egg and also contains the Ayaly-Alakan, a handprint from the president of this city's country. Residents of this city gave the nickname Chupa Chups to a tower called Baiterek. For the point, name this city that became a capital city in 1997 when Nursultan Nazarbayev moved the government from Almaty, Kazakhstan.

ANSWER: Astana

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23. Natalia Lafourcade was one of four artists to give a concert in this city's Monumento a la Mexicanidad. The mayors Carlos Villareal and Rene Mascarenas Miranda were two of the men who helped to develop this city, which includes a tourist area called the PRONAF zone. This city's first school for higher education, the Escuela Particular de Agricultura, was founded by the Escobar brothers. In 2012, Carlos Salas reported on the murder of women in this city that has been going on since 1993. This city in Chihuahua is the sister city of El Paso. For the point, name this city named for the first indigenous president of Mexico.

ANSWER: Ciudad **Juarez** [or El **Paso del Norte**]

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24. This country was where the "man with the hammer," a serial killer named Romulus Veres, operated, and it was the site of two suicides of academics after the forced merger of the Babes (BAH-besh) and Bolyai Universities. A region here has a historic seal of Michael the Brave. A cultural center in this country is Timisoara, the site of mass protests before a 1989 revolution. This country contains Bran Castle, which is commonly referred to as "Dracula's Castle." For the point, name this modern day Eastern European country with such regions as Wallachia and Transylvania.

ANSWER: Romania

25. During the last half-millennium, people in this landmass's highlands developed large bellies from protein deficiency after the sweet potato became a staple crop. The *HMS Fly* names one river on this landmass, whose west is home to Wilson's bird of paradise. This landmass's languages include Tok Pisin, and its Fore people ate the brains of their dead, leading to an outbreak of the prion disease kuru. A tribesman named Yali on this island inspired Jared Diamond to write *Guns, Germs, and Steel*. Its highest point is at Puncak Jaya, and cities on its right side include Port Moresby. For the point, name this island east of the Malay archipelago, whose western half belongs to Indonesia.

ANSWER: New Guinea [or Niugini; or Papua; do not accept "Papua New Guinea"]

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26. This country's coast can be traveled by taking the Ruta del Spondylus, which is also known as the Ruta del Sol. The largest indigenous market in South America takes place in the city of Otavalo in this country. This country's city of Puerto Lopez is located near to its Machalilla National Park, which includes the Isla de la Plata home to many blue-footed boobies. A crater lake can be found in this country in Quilotoa, and this country's capital is located near Cotopaxi. The Wolf and North Seymour Islands are located to the west of this country as part of its Galapagos Islands. For the point, name this country whose largest cities are Guayaquil and Quito.

ANSWER: Republic of **Ecuador** [or Republica del **Ecuador**]

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27. An airport in this country was attacked in Operation Cactus. Its Gan International Airport was once a RAF base, and another airport is located at the island of Hulhule. This country has a president who was featured in the documentary *The Island President*. That president, Mohamed Nasheed, is noted for his efforts to investigate rising sea levels. Tamil mercenaries assisted in a 1988 coup here against President Maumoon Abdul Gayoom. This island country is the smallest Asian country by population and land area. For the point, name this island state of twenty-six atolls in the Indian Ocean, with its capital at Male (mah-LAY).

ANSWER: Republic of the Maldives

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28. Public transit riders in this city pay with the RFID-based PASSMO system, and operators of its trains include JR East and TX. This city is the point of departure for luxury excursions on the "Romancecar" lines, and drivers here may use the "Aqua-line" tunnel under its namesake bay. This city's rail system is comprised of the Metro and Toei networks, and it is the busiest subway in the world despite only a fifth of its traffic going underground. It is the larger of two cities connected by the original "main trunk line" high-speed trains. For the point, identify this city whose transport system was attacked with sarin gas in 1995 by Aum Shinrikyo.

ANSWER: Tokyo

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29. A transformed church in this city was where the first public demonstration of a Foucault pendulum took place. Anatoly Sobchak was the first directly-elected mayor of this city. The assassination of a politician in this city led to the Great Purge. Saint Isaac's Cathedral is in this city, where Stalin arranged for the death of Sergei Kirov. Auguste de Montferrand designed this city's Alexander Column, and its Senate Square was where the Decembrist Uprising occurred. This city's Winter Palace was stormed at the beginning of the October Revolution. For the point, name this Russian city once known as Leningrad.

ANSWER: **St. Petersburg** [prompt on **Petrograd**; prompt on **Leningrad** until it is read]

30. The program known as MINURSO took place in this region, which has seen riots in a city formerly known as Villa Cisneros. This region was the subject of a 2000 U.N. plan led by James Baker. A government that professes to control it may have backed the Independence Intifada and is based in Tindouf, Algeria. This region has long been disputed with Polisario Front-controlled independent government, the Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic, by Morocco. For the point, name this disputed, sparsely populated region located on the coast of an African desert.

ANSWER: Western Sahara [or the SADR until it is read; or Sahrawi until it is read]

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31. Submarine karst springs called vruljas are found in this body of water. The Zanclean flood refilled this body of water. Climate zones named for this body of water exist between thirty-one and forty degrees north and south of the equator. Winds crossing this body of water include the mistral and the sirocco, and the Levant wind blows across its western expanses. In the Koppen system, this body of water is the namesake of a dry-summer subtropical climate. For the point, name this sea whose basin supports olive trees growing in North Africa and Southern Europe.

ANSWER: Mediterranean Sea

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32. This geographical term derives ultimately from a Gothic name meaning "work-ruler." A fringe theory claims that it was actually the last name of a Welsh merchant named Richard. This word first appears in the *Cosmographiae Introductio* of Martin Waldseemuller, who made an atlas in 1507 while under the belief that the first European to sight the new world was an Italian named Vespucci. For the point, give this term for the New World continents.

ANSWER: "America" [or the Americas, etc.]

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33. This country's coastline has the longest barrier reef in the northern hemisphere and the third longest in the world. This country achieved independence partly thanks to an ethnically Palestinian future leader of the PUP, Said Musa. This birthplace of chewing gum has important population centers at San Ignacio, Punta Gorda, and Orange Walk. Arlen and Diane Chase uncovered an ancient Mayan city in this country with a Spanish name meaning "snail." This home of the archaeological site of Caracol has a sizable Anglican population. For the point, name this Central American country directly east of Guatemala whose head of state is Queen Elizabeth II.

ANSWER: **Belize** 

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34. Henry Deane engineered railways in this country. A railroad in this country is called the "Ghan" or "Afghan Express" and was first laid in 1912, starting in Port Augusta. The world's longest stretch of straight railway tracks lies between Ooldea and Loongana in this country, crossing the Nullarbor Plain. Kalgoorlie, the site of a gold rush in the 1890s, is at the western terminus of this country's major railroad. The Alice railway connected this country's largest city to Alice Springs. For the point, name this nation where a transcontinental railroad connects the Indian and Pacific Oceans.

ANSWER: Commonwealth of **Australia** 

35. In this city, a Thanksgiving 1942 boxing match between a black unit's champion and a white unit's champion turned into a riot. This city's urban area of Ahwatukee is bordered on the north by South Mountain. Phillip Duppa suggested the name of this city, which was founded near the Salt River's convergence with the Gila (HEE-luh) River by Jack Swelling. The landmark of Tom's Thumb is located in the McDowell Mountains, which are located northeast of this city. This city's metropolitan area is known as the "Valley of the Sun," and politicians from this city include Sandra Day O'Connor and John McCain. For the point, name this largest city in Arizona.

ANSWER: **Phoenix**