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Set 1 – North America

1. Booker T. Washington was the principal of a university which originally specialized in training African American teachers. The university shares its name with the city in which it was founded. Is it Huntsville or Tuskegee?
2. Which part of the Appalachian Mountain system lies on the Allegheny Plateau in southeast New York, is bordered to the north by the Mohawk River Valley, and is bordered to the east by the Hudson River Valley, the Boston or the Catskills?
3. The mining of silver, gold, copper, and opals is important in this mountainous Mexican state whose varied elevations enable the production of a wide range of crops, including corn, coffee, and fruits. Is this state, whose capital and largest city is Pachuca, Hidalgo or Tabasco?
4. Which city hosts a 500-mile car race held annually in late May and serves as an industrial center for its state?
5. Joggins Fossil Cliffs have been designated a World Heritage Site. These cliffs are subject to the actions of the tides in the Cumberland Basin, constantly exposing new fossils which are proclaimed to be the finest examples of Coal Age rocks in the world. Are these cliffs located in New Brunswick or Nova Scotia?
6. The Erie Canal uses the Mohawk River gap in the Appalachian Mountains to connect the Great Lakes with which major eastern seaboard city, Atlantic City or New York City?
7. Where will you find Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument, which lies near Lake Meredith National Recreation Area on the Canadian River and is the site of dolomite outcroppings used since the days of the Clovis people for making projectile points, North Dakota or Texas?
8. This inland port is linked to the Gulf of Mexico by the Ship Channel and to Galveston by the Intracoastal Waterway, and once served as the capital of Texas. Today this city is home to the Astros baseball team and Rice University. Is this city Houston or Texas City?
9. Lichen-covered, black-stained walls give this narrow Colorado canyon east of the city of Montrose its name. The focal point of an area designated a national park in 1999, which river carved this black canyon, the Arkansas or the Gunnison?
10. Mesa Verde National Park contains cliff dwellings from the late 12th century that were built by the Anasazi. Cliff Palace is thought to be the largest cliff dwelling in North America. Is this park located in Colorado or New Mexico?
11. Fort Erie, Canada lies opposite which large New York, U.S. city—Buffalo or Syracuse?
12. Name the mountains located in the state with the mile-high capital which are the source for the headstream of the Rio Grande River and are composed of mainly volcanic rock.
13. The first shots of the American Civil War were fired at Fort Sumter, which is located in the state of Georgia or South Carolina?

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Set 9 – Challenge

1. The first European settlement in India was built at this harbor in the late 15th century and much Portuguese architecture remains from this period. It was the original burial site of Vasco da Gama, whose remains have since been reburied in the land of his birth. Name this city.
2. Name this island which is the last bastion of Hinduism in Indonesia. After the movie *South Pacific*, this island east of Java became associated with the concept of an untouched South Pacific island paradise.
3. Name the special administrative district of China, located east of the Pearl River estuary, that includes several islands in the South China Sea and the southern part of the Kowloon Peninsula.
4. The three main islands of the U.S. Virgin Islands were bought from which peninsular European monarchy in 1917?
5. These mountains in eastern Taiwan are composed of three ranges and contain Mount Yü (Hsin-kao), the highest peak in Taiwan. Name this range.
6. The Valdes Peninsula is an important nature reserve that was designated a World Heritage Site in 1999 because of its marine mammals, including baleen whales. This peninsula extends into the Atlantic from what country?
7. Which northeastern Iranian city is one of the most important Shi'ite pilgrimage sites, Mashhad or Shirāz?
8. Name the large salt desert found to the south of the Elbruz Mountains that is virtually uninhabited.
9. In the early part of the 21st century, which country, in spite of being the world leader in exports, had an overall trade deficit because its imports outpaced exports by more than 150%?
10. This South American nation became a refuge for King John VI of Portugal when Napoleon I invaded Portugal. The Portuguese government ruled from this nation for six years; which nation is it?
11. Part of the largest island in Vietnam's Ha Long Bay makes up a national park; name this park.
12. Where will you find one of the largest areas of artesian waters in the world; it lies under about one-fifth of this southern continent?
13. Name the city that served as the capital for several dynasties, was the eastern terminus of the Silk Road, and is known today for the terra-cotta army created for the tomb of Qin emperor Qin Shi Huang.
14. What country is associated with these things: Castro, cigars, and missile crisis?
15. Name the narrow extension of the Red Sea that separates the Sinai Peninsula from Saudi Arabia.
16. What is the mountainous region in western Saudi Arabia where Ibn Sa'ud, the sultan of Najd, proclaimed himself the king? Ibn Saud united the districts he ruled into the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in 1932.
17. The Upper and Lower Peninsulas of Michigan are connected by a bridge that crosses the strait for which it is named. Name the strait and bridge.