

Florida Activity Packet



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Welcome to

FLORIDA

THE SUNSHINE STATE

FLORIDA

Florida



Capital: **Tallahassee**

Area: **65,758 sq. miles (22nd)**

Population: **20,984,000 (3rd)**

Date of Union Entry: **1/3/1845 (27th state)**

State Bird: **Mockingbird**

State Flower: **Orange Blossom**

State Tree: **Cabbage Palmetto**

Highest Point: **A hill in Walton County – 345 feet.**

Motto: **In God we Trust**

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Florida State Quarter



Comparing and Contrasting Florida and Georgia

Name: _____

Florida

Florida, aptly nicknamed The Sunshine State, was purchased from Spain in 1819. It became America's 27th state on March 3, 1845. Located entirely within the Atlantic Coastal Plain in the southeastern United States, Florida features beautiful beaches, wetlands, and grasslands. It borders two states: Georgia and Alabama. Most of Florida is a peninsula, bordered by the Atlantic Ocean to the east, the Gulf of Mexico to the west and the Caribbean Sea to the south. Key West, Florida, is the southernmost point in the United States. Florida is America's third most populous state with over 21 million people. Its capital is Tallahassee, but its largest city is Jacksonville. Orlando, Florida, is home to Disney World, Universal Studios, and other theme parks. Orlando is one of the most visited cities in America. The Everglades, located in southern Florida, is one of the world's most important wetlands and national parks.

Georgia

In 1732, Georgia became the last of the original 13 colonies to receive a royal charter. It was originally a colony designed for people crowded into debtors prisons in England. Georgia became America's fourth state on January 2, 1788. It is located in the southeastern United States and borders Alabama, Florida, Tennessee, and North and South Carolina. It is nicknamed the Peach State. Atlanta is Georgia's capital and largest city. In 1996, it hosted the Olympic Summer Games. Atlanta's airport, Hartsfield International, is the world's busiest airport. With over 10.6 million people, Georgia is the eighth most populous state in America. Like many east coast states, Georgia features beautiful beaches on its east coast, piedmont in the central parts of the state, and mountains in the northwestern part of the state.

Which facts belong in each category?

Borders Alabama

Was a state first

Its capital and largest city are different

Has mountains

Has more people

Has beaches

One of the original 13 colonies

Nicknamed the Peach State

Borders three large bodies of water

Became a state in 1832

Florida

Both

Georgia

Neither

Answers:

Florida

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Has more people
Borders three large bodies of water

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Alabama

Alabama, which means "Tribal Town" in native language, became a state on December 14, 1819. It is located in the southeastern United States and borders Mississippi, Florida, Tennessee, and Georgia. Its nickname is the Heart of Dixie. Much of the Tennessee River winds through the northern part of the state. Alabama borders the Gulf of Mexico to the south and features popular beaches. Its capital, Montgomery, was named for Revolutionary War hero Richard Montgomery. Its largest city is Birmingham. Its state bird is the yellowhammer.

Which facts belong in each category?

Borders Georgia

Located in the southeastern United States

Its capital is Tallahassee

Borders the Gulf of Mexico

Has more people

Has beaches

Became a state first

Borders Tennessee

It was purchased from France

Home to America's southernmost point

Florida

Both

Alabama

Neither

Answers:

Florida

**Its capital is Tallahassee
Has more people
Home to America's southernmost point**

Both

**Borders Georgia
Has beaches
Borders of the Gulf of Mexico
Located in the southeastern United States**

Alabama

**Became a state first
Borders Tennessee**

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Fact or Fiction?

Name: _____

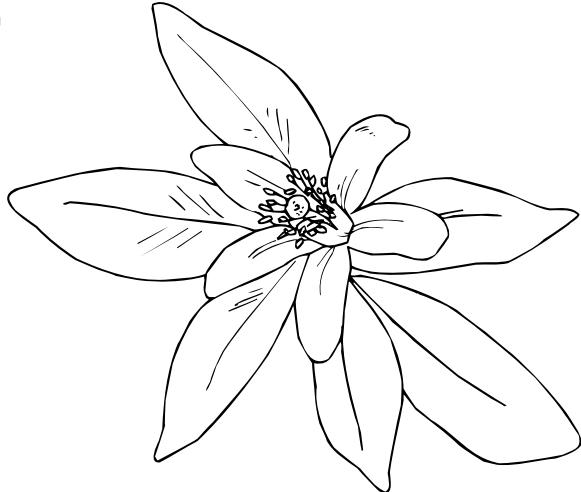
FLORIDA
The Sunshine State

Capital: Tallahassee
Population: 15,982,378 (4th)
Area: 65,758 sq. miles (22)
Date of Union Entry:
1/3/1845 (27)
Bird: Mockingbird
Tree: Cabbage Palmetto
Motto: In God we Trust
Flower: Orange Blossom
Highest Point: A hill in Walton County - 345 feet
Largest City: Jacksonville
Attractions: Disney World, Cape Canaveral, St. Augustine, Everglades National Park, Biscayne N.P.

	FACT	FICTION
The Gulf of Mexico is WEST of Florida		
Tampa is NORTH of Key West		
Jacksonville is SOUTH of St. Augustine		
St. Petersburg is NORTHEAST of Tampa		
Tampa is SOUTHWEST of Orlando		
Jacksonville is WEST of Tallahassee		
St. Augustine is NORTH of Everglades National Park		
Miami is SOUTHEAST of Ft. Lauderdale		

Answers:

	FACT	FICTION
The Gulf of Mexico is WEST of Florida	X	
Tampa is NORTH of Key West	X	
Jacksonville is SOUTH of St. Augustine		X
St. Petersburg is NORTHEAST of Tampa		X
Tampa is SOUTHWEST of Orlando	X	
Jacksonville is WEST of Tallahassee		X
St. Augustine is NORTH of Everglades National Park	X	
Miami is SOUTHEAST of Ft. Lauderdale		X



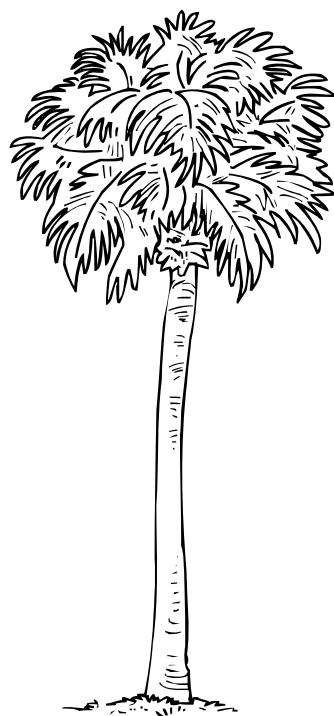
Tallahassee

Mockingbird

Orange Blossom

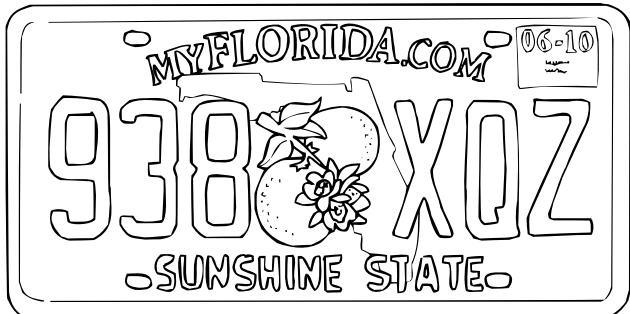


Florida

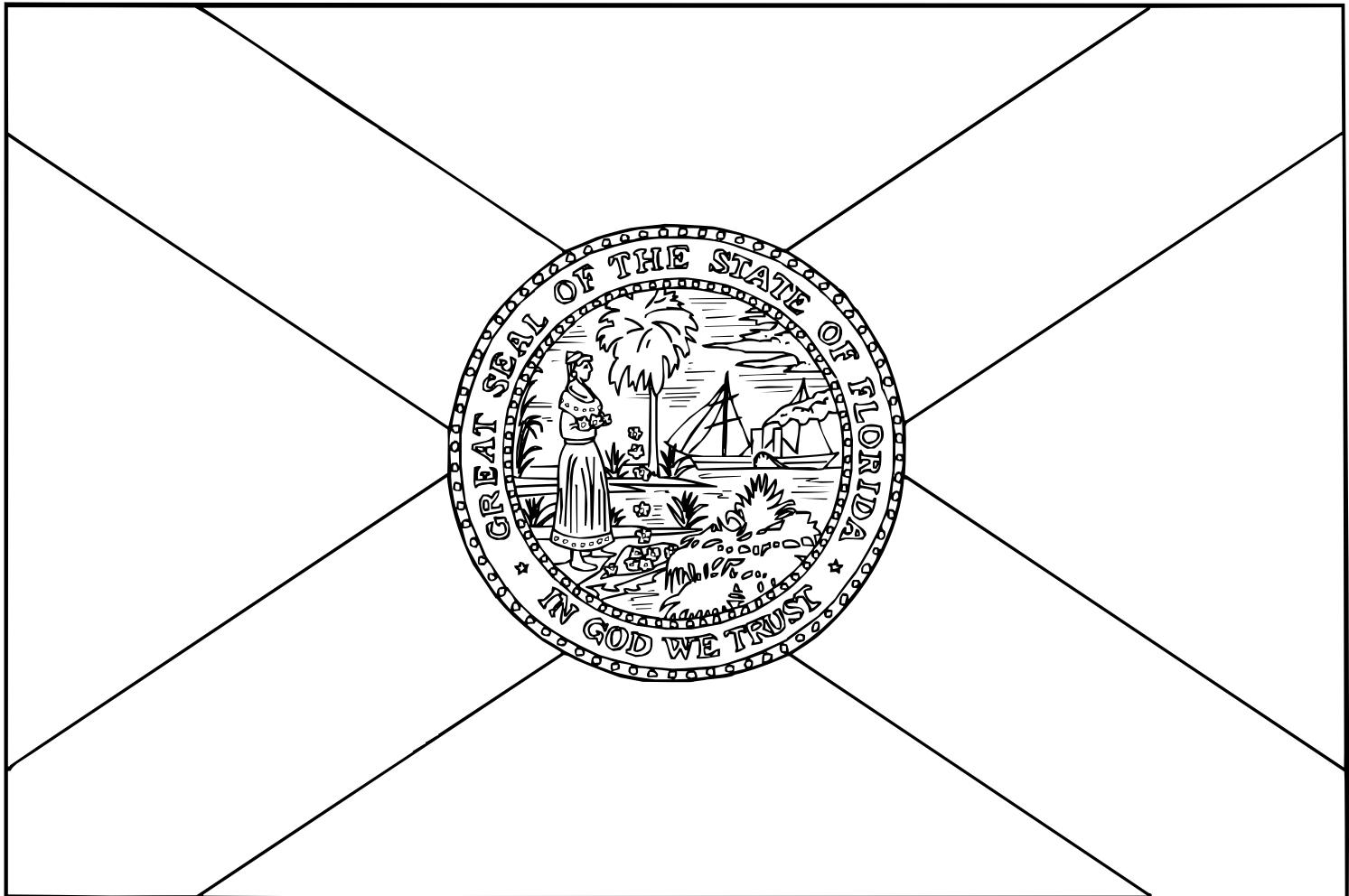


The Sunshine State

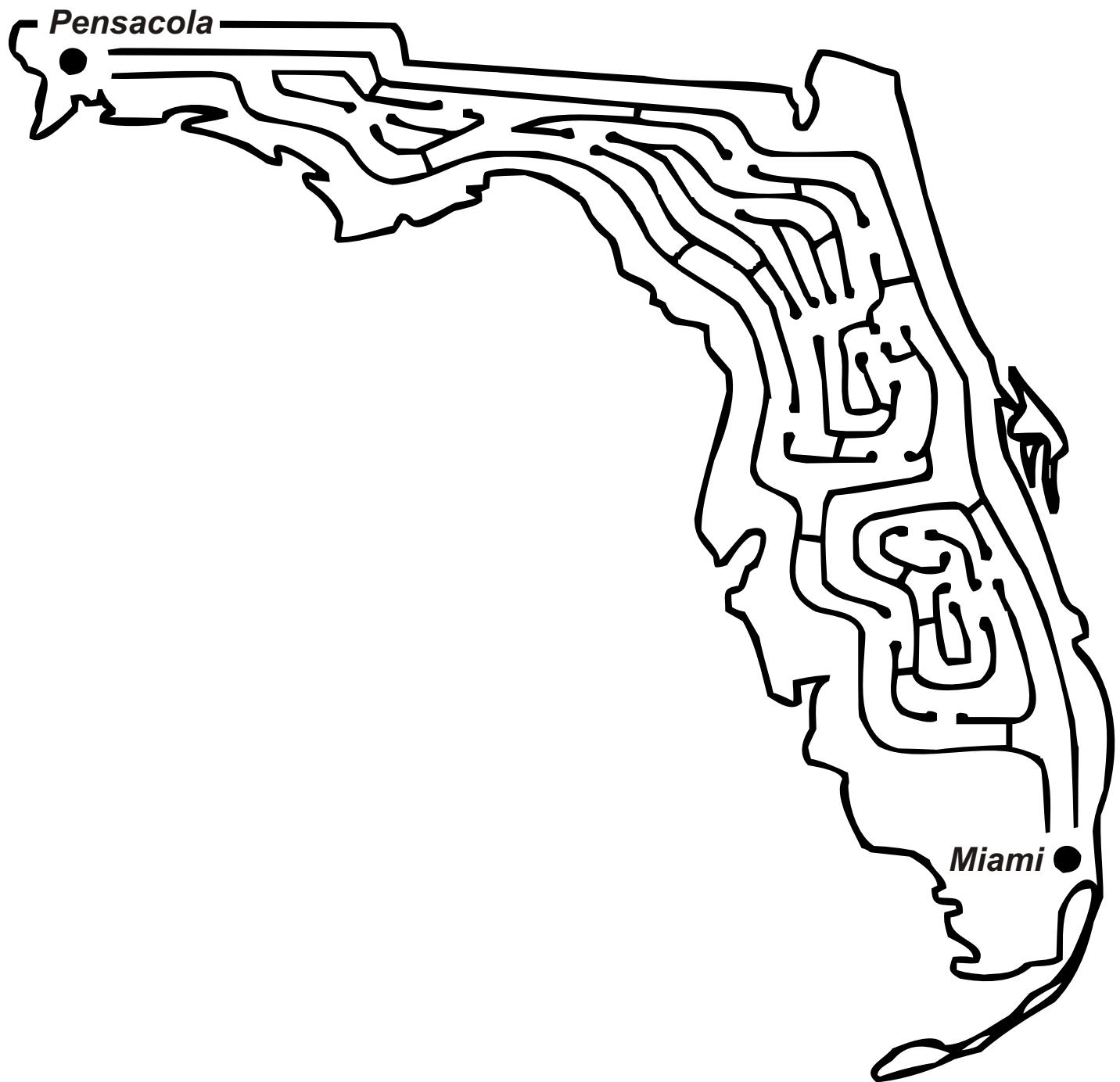
State license plate



Sabal Palm



FLORIDA



Florida - The Sunshine State



Florida Printable Outline Map

