

Tennessee Activity Packet



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TENNESSEE

Comparing and Contrasting Alabama and Tennessee

Name: _____

Alabama

Alabama, which means "Tribal Town" in native language, became a state on December 14, 1819. It is a southern state that borders Mississippi, Florida, Tennessee, and Georgia. Much of the Tennessee River winds through the northern part of the state. High hills from the Appalachian Range dot parts of northern Alabama. 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 state bird is the yellowhammer.

Tennessee

Tennessee is located in the Southern United States. It borders eight other states including Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Missouri. Tennessee is landlocked, which means it has no beaches. Tennessee became America's 16th state on June 1, 1796. Its capital and largest city is Nashville. Both the Tennessee and Mississippi Rivers wind through the state, with the Mississippi forming its entire western border. Eastern Tennessee features some of the highest peaks in the Appalachian Mountains. The Mockingbird is the state bird of Tennessee, and four other southern states.

Which facts belong in each category?

Borders Mississippi

The Tennessee River flows through

Became a state FIRST

Is a Southern state

Its capital and largest city are the same

Has popular beaches

Touches the Gulf of Mexico

Includes parts of the Appalachian Mountains and hills

Borders Florida

Alabama	Both	Tennessee

Answers:

Alabama	Both	Tennessee
Has popular beaches	Borders Mississippi	Became a state FIRST
Touches the Gulf of Mexico	The Tennessee River flows through	Its capital and largest city are the same
Borders Florida	Is a Southern state Includes parts of the Appalachian Mountains and hills	Shares a state bird with other states

Comparing and Contrasting Georgia and Tennessee

Name: _____

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. Georgia's state bird is the Brown Thrasher.

Tennessee

Tennessee is located in the southeastern United States. It is nicknamed the Volunteer State. It borders eight other states including Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Missouri. Nearly seven million people live in Tennessee. Tennessee is landlocked, which means it has no beaches. Tennessee became America's 16th state on June 1, 1796. Its capital and largest city is Nashville. Both the Tennessee and Mississippi Rivers wind through the state, with the Mississippi forming its entire western border. Eastern Tennessee features some of the highest peaks in the Appalachian Mountains. Great Smoky National Park, the nation's most visited national park, lies partly in Tennessee and partly in North Carolina. The Mockingbird is the state bird of Tennessee, and four other southern states.

Which facts belong in each category?

Mockingbird is the state bird

Was a state first

Its capital and largest city are different

Has mountains

Has more people

Has beaches

One of the original 13 colonies

Is Landlocked

Hosted the Summer Olympics

Located in the southeastern United States

Georgia

Both

Tennessee

Neither

Answers:

Georgia

Was a state first
Has more people
Has beaches
One of the original 13 Colonies
Hosted the Summer Olympics

Both

Has mountains
Located in the southeastern United States

Tennessee

Mockingbird is the state
Is landlocked

Neither

Its capital and largest city are different

Comparing and Contrasting Kentucky and Tennessee

Name: _____

Kentucky

Kansas, nicknamed the Bluegrass State, is located in the Southeastern United States. It borders seven states: West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee, and Virginia. Its western border is formed by the Mississippi River and its northern border is formed by the Ohio River. Kentucky became America's 15th state on June 1, 1792. It was one of the first states to become part of America after the Revolutionary War. Its capital is Frankfort and its largest city is Louisville, site of the Kentucky Derby - the world's most important horse race. Today, about four and half million people live in Kentucky. Its state bird is the cardinal.

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Which facts belong in each category?

The Mississippi River winds through

The capital is Nashville

State bird is the mockingbird

Became a state first

Has more people

Has beaches

Borders Indiana

Borders more states

Located in the Southeastern United States

Home to the world's most important horse race

Kentucky

Both

Tennessee

Neither

Answers:

Kentucky

**Became a state first
Borders Indiana**

Both

**Located in the Southeastern United States
The Mississippi River winds through**

Tennessee

**Has more people
The capital is Nashville
State bird is the mockingbird
Has more people
Borders more states**

Neither

Has beaches

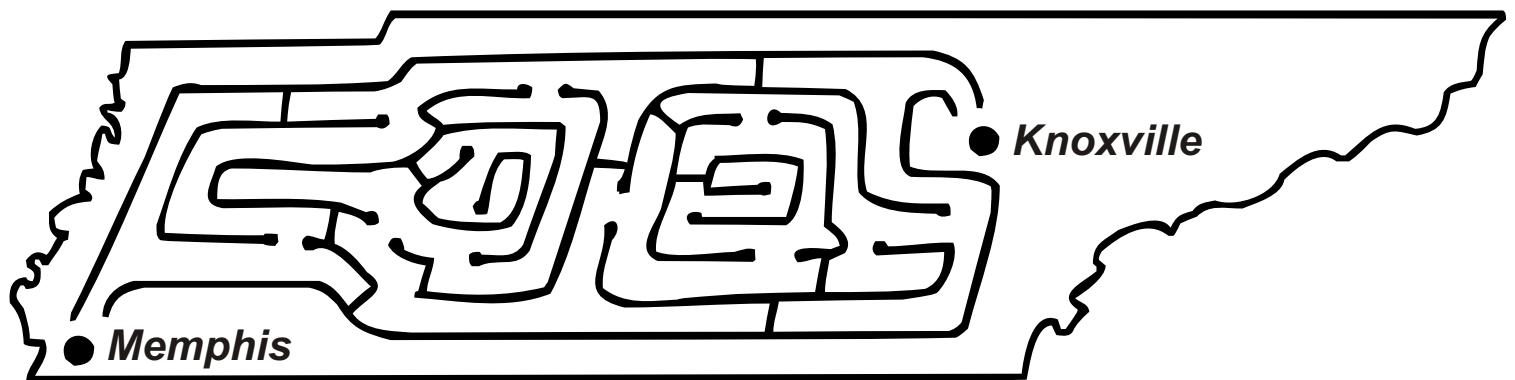


Imagine: Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Imagine you are visiting Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Read the description and draw the picture to the best of your ability.

A still fog rises over and across the ancient hills, shrouding them in an ashy, haze, through which only hints of black forest escape to visibility. But soon, the sun powers through the cloak of thickness and casts an eerie, pink glow which fills the smoky scene with splashes of morning color.





Tennessee - The Volunteer State



Mockingbird

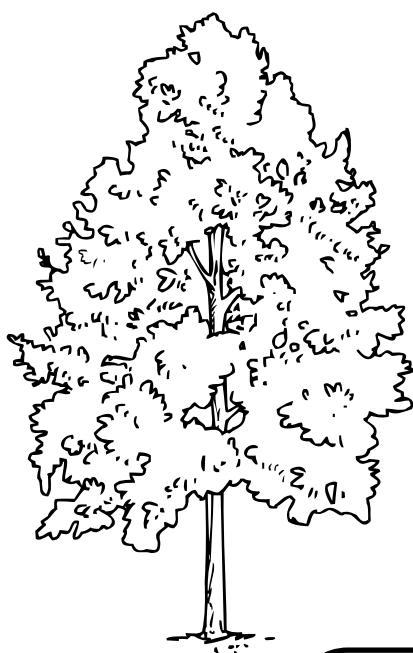


Purple Iris



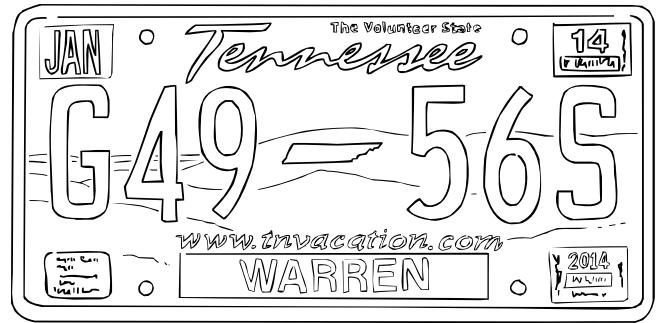
Tennessee

The Volunteer State



Tulip Poplar

State license plate

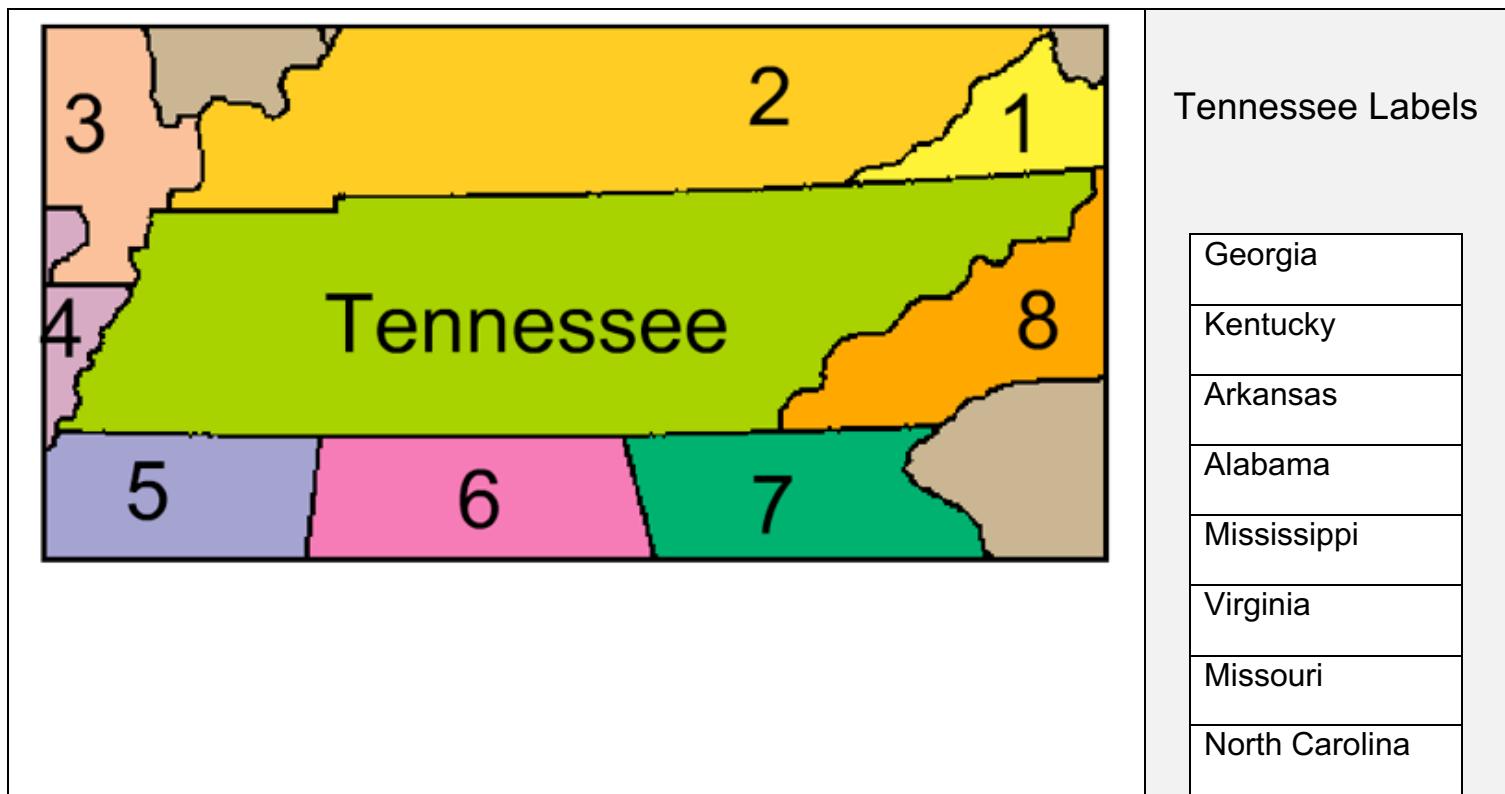




Tennessee Flag Outline



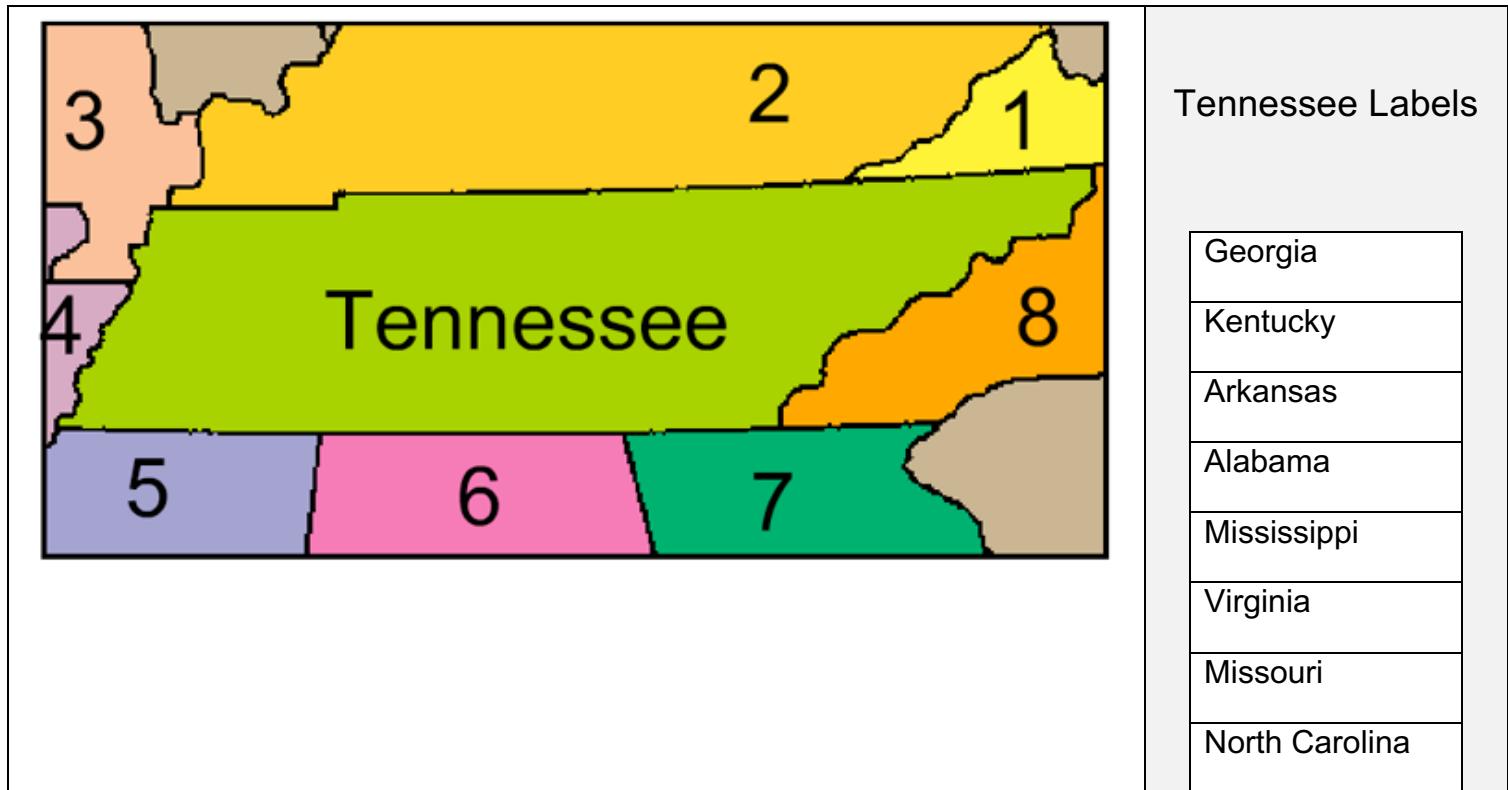
Tennessee Label-me Map – Bordering States and Bodies of water



Labels:

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Tennessee Label-me Map – Bordering States and Bodies of water



Labels:

1. Virginia

2. Kentucky

3. Missouri

4. Arkansas

5. Mississippi

6. Alabama

7. Georgia

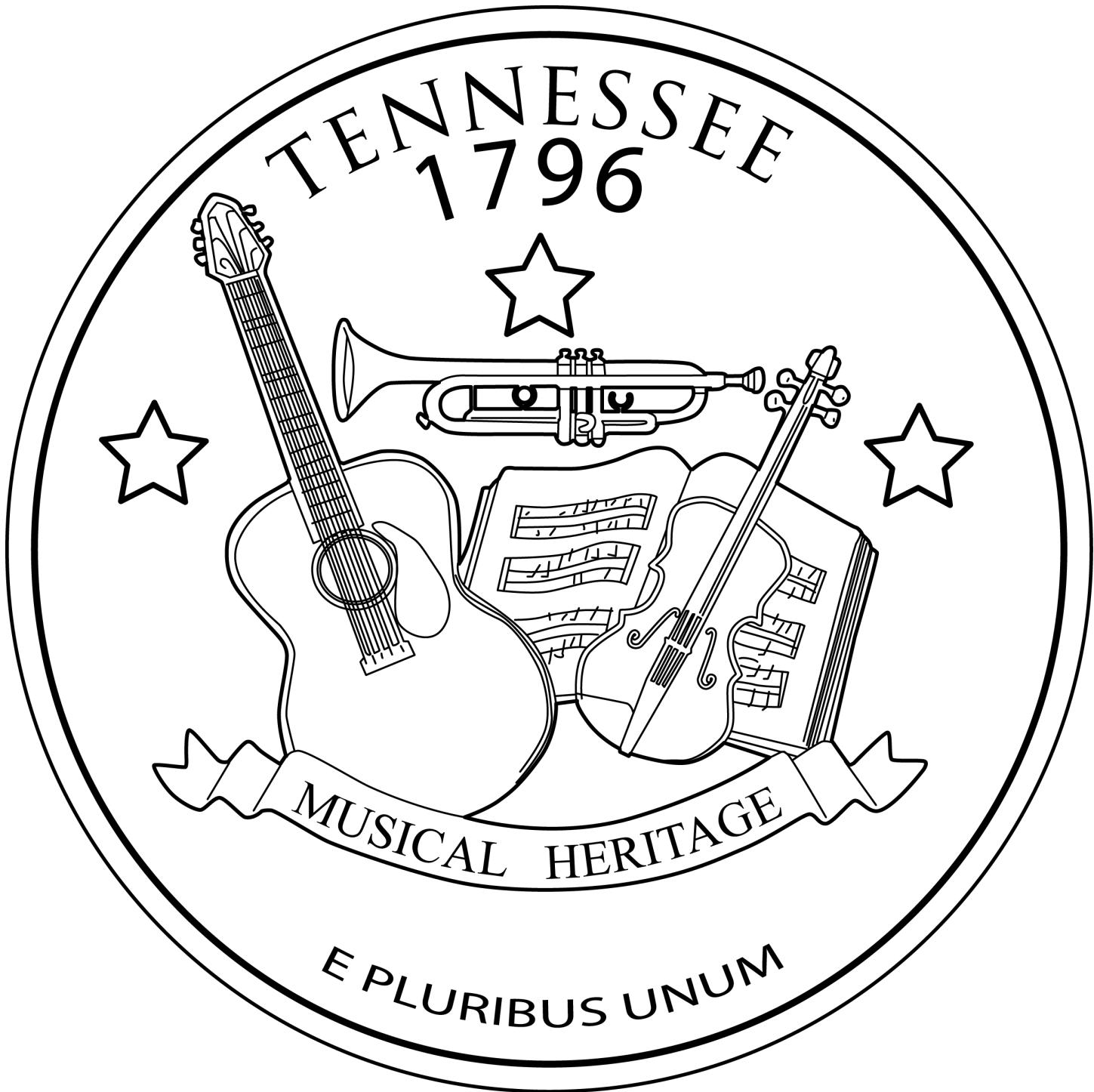
8. North Carolina



Tennessee Printable Outline Map



Tennessee State Quarter



Tennessee



Capital: [Nashville](#)

Area: 42,146 sq. miles (36th)

Population: 6,720,000 (16th)

Date of Union Entry: 6/1/1796 (16th state)

State Bird: [Mockingbird](#)

State Flower: [Iris](#)

State Tree: [Tulip Poplar](#)

Highest Point: [Clingman's Dome](#) – 6,643 feet.

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