

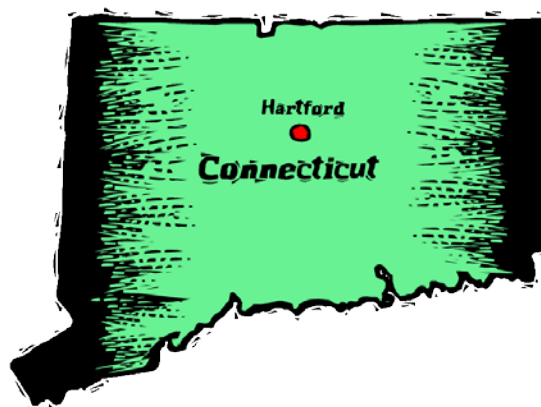
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Read the text below. Answer each question that follows.

Connecticut

Connecticut is a state in the northeast that has mild weather patterns. Precipitation averages about 47 inches annually. Temperatures average between 26 degrees Fahrenheit during the coldest month of January to approximately 71 degrees Fahrenheit during the summer month of July. Temperatures are generally a bit cooler and snowier in the northwestern part of the state. Falls offers beautiful autumns, especially since about 6 percent of the state is forested. Among the most common trees are birch, elm, hickory, maple, and oak.

1. Connecticut is in the _____ region.
A. northeast B. southeast C. northwest D. south
2. Approximately how much precipitation is there annually?
A. 71 inches B. 26 inches C. 47 inches D. none of these
3. What is generally the coldest month?
A. January B. July C. October D. A and C
4. It is often colder in the northwestern part of the state during the winter. True False
5. October is a(n) _____ month.
A. autumn B. fall C. A and B D. none of these
6. Birch, hickory, and maple trees can be found in Connecticut. True False



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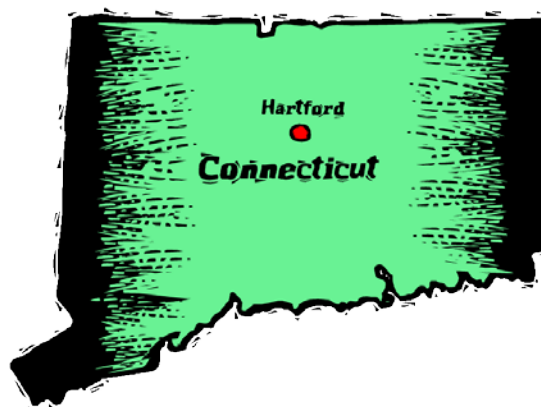
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Amistad

The Amistad was a Spanish ship. In the year 1839, the ship was mutinied by 53 Africans individuals in their attempt to sail back to Africa. Following this event, the Amistad ended up along the coast of Connecticut in Long Island Sound. The courts of Connecticut determined the individuals were free men, despite Cuba and Spain's attempt at collecting what they though belonged to them. A replica of this ship was built at the Mystic Seaport, in Mystic, Connecticut. The ship sails the seas of the world today, reminding people of the plight of African kidnapped.

1. The Amistad belonged to
A. Africa B. Spain C. Mystic D. A and C
2. What does the term mutinied mean?

3. How many individuals tried to take over the ship? _____
4. The coast of Connecticut runs along
A. Long Island Sound B. Spain C. Mystic D. A B
5. Spain and _____ attempted to regain the African individuals aboard the ship.
6. A replica of the ship sails the world seas today. True False



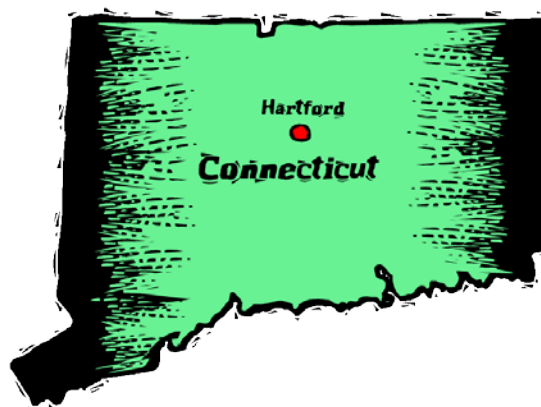
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Patriot Weekend!

Connecticut has a rich history in its involvement and contribution American history, especially around the time of the Revolutionary War. April 27, 1777 marks the day when British troops began their advance south from Danbury, Connecticut. What they encountered when they reached the small town of Ridgefield were Patriots, or colonists who wished for independence from British rule! The Patriots in Ridgefield were led by General Benedict Arnold. Fighting ensued and many were killed on both sides. The Patriots were coerced into retreating. Following this event, many gathered in attempts at protecting Connecticut from further attacks. Today, this battle is reenacted each year in Ridgefield.

1. Connecticut has a great history. True False
2. The American _____ is mentioned in the paragraph.
3. British troops advanced from
A. Connecticut B. Danbury C. Ridgefield D. none of these
4. What was a Patriot? _____
5. Great Britain wanted to rule the colonists. True False
6. What does the term retreat mean? _____



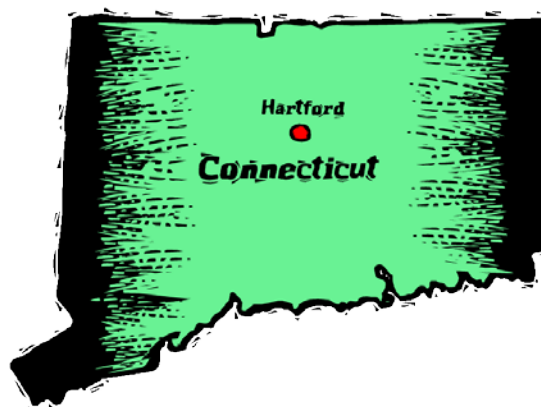
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Tourism

Tourism is a large part of the Connecticut economy. People flock from all areas to view the beautiful fall foliage that is seen each year. Specifically, Litchfield County boasts many beautifully lined streets bursting with color during the autumn months. Such trees seen along the states forested area, close to 60 percent, include birch, elm, hickory, and maple. An additional tourist attraction is Mystic Seaport in Mystic, Connecticut. Here, visitors engage in a 19 century recreation waterfront village and shipyard. Tourists may see the Charles W. Morgan, the world's largest wooded whaling ship still afloat! Other ships of the period, including a fishing schooner built in 1921 are on display.

1. What helps the Connecticut economy?
A. Mystic Seaport B. fall foliage C. money D. A and B
2. What's another term for fall?
A. autumn B. fell C. engage D. none of these
3. Which county is mentioned in the paragraph?
A. Mystic B. Litchfield C. Maple D. all of these
4. About how much of Connecticut is forested? _____
5. What is a tourist? _____
6. What is the name of the world's largest wooden whaling vessel still afloat?
A. Charles W. Morgan B. Mystic C. Litchfield D. A and C



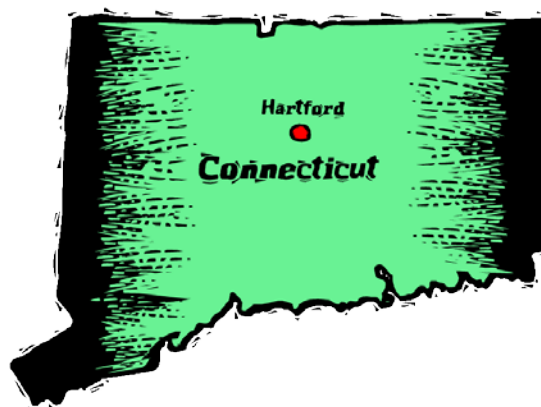
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Harriet Beecher Stowe

Known for her popular novel Uncle Tom's Cabin, Harriet Beecher Stowe was born in Litchfield, Connecticut in 1811. This powerful novel helped abolitionists spread the idea and word that slavery was an immoral act as well as cruel. Stowe was one of eleven children and was highly influenced by her father, Reverend Lyman Beecher. Historians credit her strong ideas against slavery as the result of her listening to her fathers many sermons. She developed her writing abilities at the Hartford Female Seminary, an institution run by her sister Catharine. Within its first week of availability, more than 10,000 copies of the book were sold.

1. Harriet Beecher Stowe was _____ slavery.
A. against B. in favor C. hungry D. A and C
2. Where was Stowe born?
A. Connecticut B. Litchfield C. A and B D. Hartford
3. What is an abolitionist? _____
4. How many siblings did she have? _____
5. Harriet Beecher Stowe formed her ideas against slavery from listening to her
A. friend B. father C. mother D. none of these
6. The book, Uncle Tom's Cabin, was popular. True False



Answers

Page 1

1. A
2. C
3. A
4. true
5. C
6. true

Page 2

1. B
2. take over
3. 53
4. A
5. Cuba
6. true

Page 3

1. true
2. Revolution
3. B
4. favored independence
5. true
6. back up, give up

Page 4

1. D
2. A
3. B
4. 60%
5. Answers will vary.
6. A

Page 5

1. A
2. C
3. against slavery
4. 10
5. B
6. true