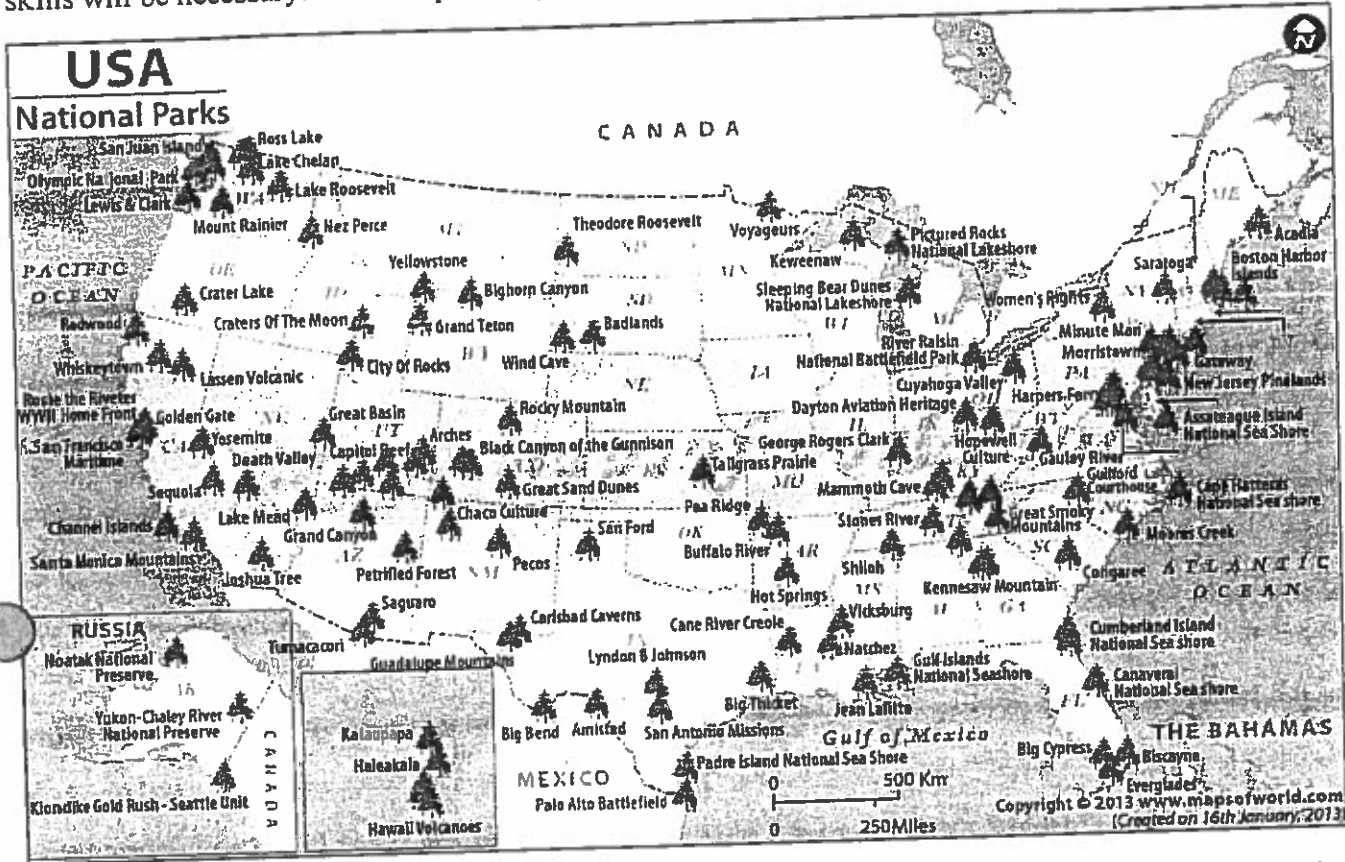


World Geography

North America: National Park Project (100 Points)

Directions: The purpose of this project is to practice and apply the real-world skills of research, planning, and reporting. You will research a national park and report on the location of the place, the logistics of getting there, and characteristics of the place, all the while using geographical skills you have learned, such as absolute location, scale, and knowledge of the themes. As you research, you will figure out how to get to the park, how long it will take, and how much it will cost. Throughout the project, your best researching, reading, and writing skills will be necessary. We will primarily use the Internet to complete our research.



General Requirements: You may pick any park you wish, though your starting point (also your choice) must be AT LEAST 500 miles away from the park you choose. Below is a list of our nation's wonderful national parks. **Tip:** To help make your decision, research a few parks you think you might like by visiting the websites:

<p>Alaska</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Denali National Park and Preserve</u> 2. <u>Gates of the Arctic National Park</u> 3. <u>Glacier Bay National Park</u> 4. <u>Kenai Fjords National Park</u> <p>Arizona</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Grand Canyon National Park</u> 	<p>Michigan</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Isle Royale National Park</u> <p>Minnesota</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Voyageurs National Park</u> <p>Montana</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Glacier National Park</u> 	<p>Utah</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Arches National Park</u> 2. <u>Bryce Canyon National Park</u> 3. <u>Canyonlands National Park</u> 4. <u>Capitol Reef National Park</u> 5. <u>Zion National Park</u> <p>Virginia</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Shenandoah National Park</u>
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2. Petrified Forest National Park
3. Saguaro National Park

California

1. Channel Islands National Park
2. Death Valley National Park
3. Joshua Tree National Park
4. Kings Canyon National Park
5. Lassen Volcanic National Park
6. Redwood National Park
7. Sequoia National Park
8. Yosemite National Park

Colorado

1. Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park
2. Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve
3. Mesa Verde National Park
4. Rocky Mountain National Park

Florida

1. Everglades National Park

Hawaii

1. Hawaii Volcanoes National Park
2. Haleakalā National Park

Kentucky

1. Mammoth Cave National Park

Maine

1. Acadia National Park

Nevada

1. Great Basin National Park

New Mexico

1. Carlsbad Caverns National Park

North Carolina

1. Great Smoky Mountains National Park

North Dakota

1. Theodore Roosevelt National Park

Oregon

1. Crater Lake National Park

South Dakota

1. Badlands National Park
2. Wind Cave National Park

Tennessee

1. Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Texas

1. Big Bend National Park
2. Guadalupe Mountains National Park

Washington

1. Mount Rainier National Park
2. North Cascades National Park
3. Olympic National Park

Wyoming

1. Grand Teton National Park
2. Yellowstone National Park

*Circle your chosen park!

**NPS.gov is a good general website

***Google will help also

Part 1: Starting Point, Rationale, and Location (ALL items in Part 1 must be in COMPLETE SENTENCES except for #5)

1. What is the park you will research? (write the full official name in your sentence)

2. Location: In what state is your park? What is its approximate latitude and longitude?



***Mark the location of your park on the map**

3. The starting point must be a city or town in the United States. The starting point must be AT LEAST 500 miles away from the park of your choice. What will be your starting point?

4. What is your rationale for researching the park you chose? (In other words, what makes you most want to research [and visit] the park?)

5. Provide ten (10) general facts about your park (ideas are provided, but you don't have to use them).

Ideas	Your Facts
1. Highest point? 2. Major attractions? 3. Historical Significance? 4. Climate? 5. Animals? 6. Plants? 7. Local towns? 8. Seasons? 9. Events? 10. Rules of the park? 11. Water features? 12. Activities? 13. Issues? 14. How many visitors per year? 15. Have you ever visited? What did you do/see? 16. Visitors injured per year? 17. So many more facts, the list is virtually endless!!!	1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____

Part 2: Logistics and Itinerary (Items #1-2 & 4-5 MUST be in COMPLETE SENTENCES)

Define: Logistics (T) -

Define: Itinerary (T) -

1. What do you think (predict) will be the biggest logistical challenge to you getting to your destination (length, cost, lodging, etc . . . or other)? Why?

2. Through what U.S. states will you travel to get to your park?

3. Research using the following websites to determine the information in the chart. When you're finished, your chart should look similar in the level of detail to the following example:

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Official National Park Travel Itinerary

Date	Miles Travelled/ Gas Money Spent	City and Hotel You are Staying in/ Cost of Hotel	What highways/freeways are you taking?	Any side trips for the day?/How long will they take?

4. How many total miles will be traveled to get to your park?

5. What will be the TOTAL cost of your trip?

Part 3: The Geography of the Park (ALL answers for Part 3 MUST be in COMPLETE SENTENCES)

1. Using a map of your park, identify **AT LEAST 3 physical features** that make your park unique and explain why these features are unique. (Example: Yosemite National Park includes the famous cliff face, El Capitan, which is distinctive for its immense size and the popularity it has accrued as a popular climbing destination).

2. Using a description of your park, identify **AT LEAST 3 cultural/human features** that make your park unique and explain why these features are unique. (Ideas: What have humans built there, either historically (ex: ruins), or recently (ex: visitors centers, roads, paths, etc . . .)?)

3. Using resources from above, provide **AT LEAST 4 examples** of how **humans interact with the environment** of the park. Explain 2 examples of how humans affect the environment of the park. Explain 2 examples of how the environment of the park affects humans.

National Park Project Rubric

1. Part 1: the Rationale/Location are complete and fully 25/100 _____

explained

25/100 _____

2. Part 2: the Itinerary is complete and very neat,

accurate and realistic

3. Part 3: Geographical details of the park are fully 25/100 _____

explained, examples are provided, and it's clear you

understand

4. Class time/Computer time used well 25/100 _____

Total _____/100