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Ready-to-Go Reproducible Maps With Crossword Puzzles to Teach Key Geography Skills and Build Content-Area Vocabulary

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Introduction

Perhaps no part of the social studies curriculum has so many applications outside the classroom as using maps. On a daily basis, we use maps to find our way in the world: from getting off the right highway exit to understanding the latest trends in culture, politics, and demography.

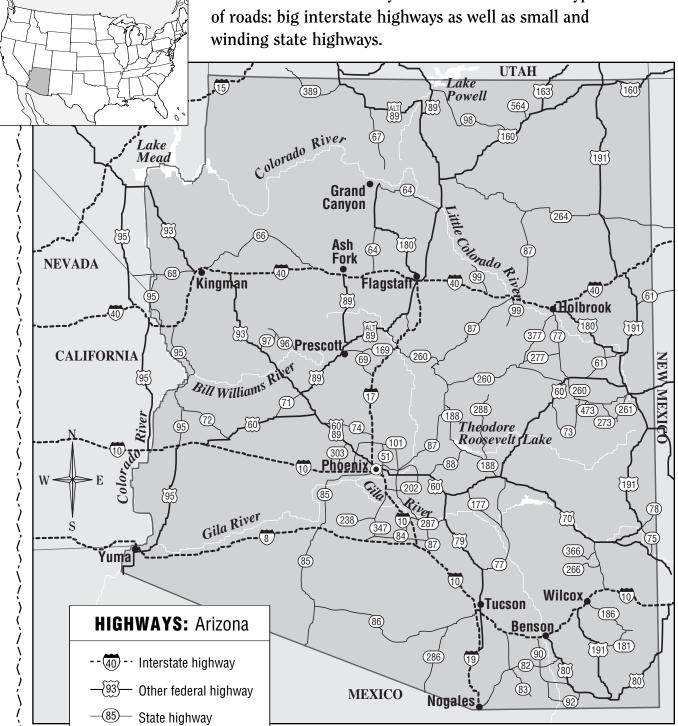
The maps in this book represent a wide range of map skills and cartographic styles. The intent is to expose students to a variety of maps so that they can develop skills to apply to the maps they encounter in the real world or in other content areas. Some map skills, such as understanding longitude and latitude, are notoriously difficult for students to grasp, and these might require additional explanation or practice. Other maps, such as product maps, are fairly straightforward, and most students will be able to proceed on their own in working out the puzzles for these. The maps in this book are organized roughly in ascending order of difficulty.

Maps are also fun! They offer creative ways to present all sorts of information in a visual format. They can be used as a springboard for discussions about geography, history, economics, and current events. Many of these puzzles are well suited to serve as extension activities for other studies. For example, the Products: Montana map could easily complement the study of U.S. geography or national economics. We hope that your students will find the maps fun and engaging and the crossword puzzles challenging and thought-provoking.

Arizona

Highway maps are one of the most popular kinds of maps around. People use them everyday, when they are driving on vacation, or just finding their way around a new place. Highway maps don't just show

> where roads lead to. They also show the different types of roads: big interstate highways as well as small and

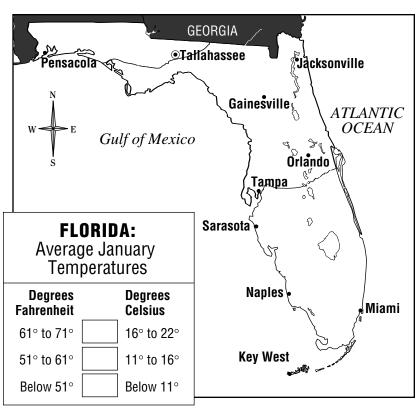


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| -~~ | Across | 5 | | | | | | R | 6 | | 7 | + | | |
| 1 | Routes 77, 180, and 40 all come | | | 9 | | 10 | | 11 1 | | | | | 8 | |
| 4 | together in which town? | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Going north on Route 191 will land you in | 12 | | | | | 13 | | | 14 | | | | |
| 5 | which state? On highways | | | | 15 | 5 | | | 16 | | | 17 | | |
| | you can drive than on small roads. | | | | | | | | | 18 | | | | |
| 6 | Routes 40, 66, an 93 all come | | | | | | | | | | 19 | | | |
| 11 | together in which town? The big highways | | 20 | | 2 | 1 | | | 22 | | | | | |
| | Route 17 and 10 in which city? | | 23 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | The smaller roads on this map are highways. If you follow Pouts 180 pouts from Floretaff 10 A highway that goes from state to state is | | | | | | | | | | | e is | | |
| where will you end up? 18 You can get to by traveling southeast 11 Route 69 me | | | | | | | | | meets l | Route 8 | 9 in | · | | |
| on Route 79 from Phoenix. 20 Any highway that goes east will take you to 13 Routes 80 and 10 town? | | | | | | | | | | J | | | | |
| | this state. Route 89 meets Route 40 in this town. Your last stop in the U.S. on the way to | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mexico on Route 19 is at from which state? 17 Interstate highways with even n | | | | | | | | | umbe | rs go | | | | |
| 2 | N T (((1 * 1 | | | | | | 19 | Route 17 runs from south to Take Route 93 from Kingman to go for a swim | | | | | | |
| 3 | state highways. On the border of which town? | Califor | nia al | ong F | Route | e 8 is | | in Lake _ | | • | | | | |
| 5 | If you go north from Phoenix on Route 17, you will meet Route 40 in | | | | | | | DID YOU KNOW? Today there are more than 42,000 miles of interstate highways in the United States. The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944 authorized construction of the interstate highway system. | | | | | | |
| | Route 19 will take you south to which country? Today there are more than 42,000 miles of interstate highways in the United States. | | | | | | | | | | miles of ates. | | | |
| | country? 8 If you drove west on Route 10 from Phoenix you would cross into which state? 9 This map would be useful if you travel interstate highways in the United States. The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1944 authorized construction of the interstate highway system. | | | | | | | | | | 4 state | | | |

Temperature

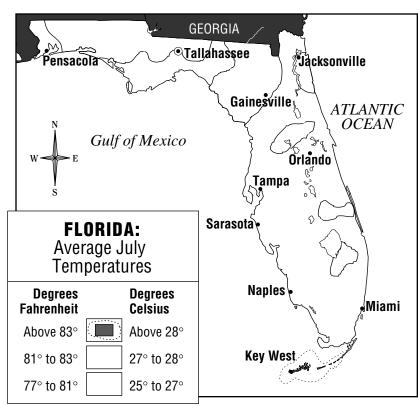
Florida

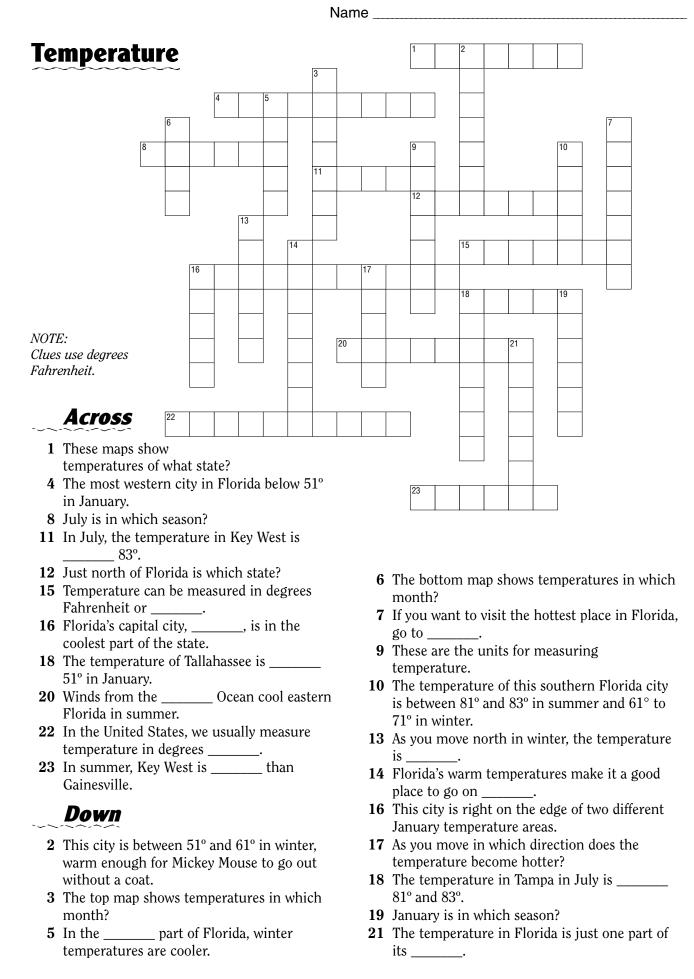
One of the most important parts of climate is temperature. Temperature is usually measured in degrees Fahrenheit, but it can also be measured in degrees Celsius. In areas where there are changing seasons, it is often useful to have two different temperature maps: one for summer and one for winter. The maps on this page show the average daily temperatures throughout Florida during January and July.



DID YOU KNOW?

Every year three times as many people visit Florida as tourists than live there year round. Florida produces 8 out of every 10 oranges grown in the United States.





Answers

Highways Arizona

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