

Ch 9 - North America

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A) Choose the correct answer:

1) The capital of the U.S.A Washington, D.C. is situated on the

a) Potomac b) Mississippi c) Yukon

2) An extensive treeless level grassland of North America is called

a) Prairie b) Pampas c) Campos

3) The second largest lake of the world is the

a) Superior b) Baikal c) Michigan

d) Erie

4) The largest automobile manufacturing centre of the world is

a) Detroit b) Toledo c) Chicago

5) The longest river of North America is the

a) Alabama b) Mississippi c) Missouri

6) Fill in the blanks:

1) Mt. McKinley is the highest peak of North America.

2) Mt. Mitchell is the highest peak of Appalachian mountain.

3) Mississippi is the longest river of North America.

4) Lake Superior is the largest fresh water lake of the world.

5) Greenland is the largest island of the world.

C) Write 'True' or 'False'

1) Bering Strait has separated North America from Asia. True

- 2) St. Lawrence is the longest river of North America.
False
- 3) The Niagra waterfalls is the highest waterfalls of the world. False
- 4) Canadian shield region is agriculturally backward.
True
- 5) Mt. Whitney is the highest peak of the Appalachian mountain. False

0) Match the following:

1) Prairie - Greenland.

2) Greenland - Island.

3) Colorado - Rivers.

4) Great Slave - Lake.

5) Milwaukee - Leather Industry.

E) Answer in one word/sentence:

Q1) What does 'cordillera' mean?

A1) Rope or Chain.

Q2) Name the longest tributary of the Mississippi.

A2) Missouri.

Q3) Why Duluth famous for?

A3) Duluth is famous for being a large city and port.

Q4) Where is Chicago situated?

A4) Chicago is situated on the southern shores of the blue Michigan in the state of Illinois.

Q5) Name the highest peak of Sierra Nevada.

A5) Mt. Whitney

F) Short Answer Type Questions:

Q1) What is "Grand Canyon"?

A1) Grand Canyon which is 446 km long, with 1600 m depth in some places, and is the largest canyon of the world.

Q2) What is "Death Valley"?

A2) The famous "Death Valley" is located to the south eastern part of Sierra Nevada. This region is the lowest lying area of Western hemisphere and hottest region of North America.

Q3) What is "Lake Region"?

A3) The Lake region is one of the most important and prosperous regions of the U.S.A. as well as North America. A little to the north-east of the continent of North America, near the borders between U.S.A and Canada, there are a wonderful series of great fine lakes - (1) Superior, (2) Michigan, (3) Huron, (4) Erie, (5) Ontario. These are called the "Great Lakes".

and along the southern shores of the 'Great Lakes' lies the country's greatest industrial district - the Lake Regions of the U.S.A.

Q4) Name the 'Great Lakes'?

A4) (a) Superior, (b) Michigan, (c) Huron, (d) Erie and (e) Ontario. These are called the 'Great Lakes'.

Q5) What is 'Canadian Shield'?

A5) An ancient plateau or a highland of hard rock located in the north-eastern part of Canada and bordering the Hudson Bay on the east, west and south is called "Canadian Shield".

G) Write short notes on:

1) Isthmus of Panama - North America became separated from South America by constructing the Panama canal and navigation became easy between Eastern coast of North America and Europe and Western coast of South America Panama Isthmus. A narrow strip of landmass lying between North

America and South America and joins two continents is called Panama Isthmus or Isthmus of Panama.

2) The Western Cordillera - Western part of North America is covered by the fold mountains that stretches from Alaska in the north-west to Isthmus of Panama in the south about 6900 km. It extends along the Pacific ocean coast, as such it is also Pacific mountains. It is widest at the central part where its altitude is not very high. But it is narrow in the north and in the south where the height of the mountain is relatively higher.

3) The Canadian Shield - The word 'Shield' refers to an ancient landmass of undulating surface formed by hard rock. There are eleven important shield regions all over the world. Among them Canadian shield is the largest. An ancient plateau or a highland of hard rock located in the north-eastern part of Canada and bordering the Hudson Bay on the east, west and south is called "Canadian Shield". This is also known as "Laurentian Shield".

4) Mississippi - The Mississippi (3770 km) entirely a river of the U.S.A., is the longest as well as the

Largest river of North America. It rises in the highland, west of Lake Superior, flows southward and drains into the Gulf of Mexico. Its principal tributary, Missouri meets the Mississippi about 46 km north of St. Louis. The combined flow of Mississippi and Missouri is the third longest (6200 km) river of the world. Other important tributaries of Mississippi are Red, Ohio, Arkansas and Tennessee.

5) Prairie region of North America - An extensive treeless level grassland of North America is called 'Prairie'. French 'prairie' meaning a tract of meadows, occupies a great triangle in the heart of the continent. The prairies are the mid-latitude temperate grasslands of central United States and Canada, and extend from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba in Canada, southwards through the Dakotas, to Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.