

States, Capitals, and Abbreviations

Check for Understanding

Column A lists the states' names and capitals. Column B lists each state abbreviation. Read each abbreviation and match it to the appropriate state. Write the correct abbreviation next to the state capital name in column A.

A	B	A	B		
Alabama, Montgomery	___	MS	Montana, Helena	___	OR
Alaska, Juneau	___	KY	Nebraska, Lincoln	___	TN
Arizona, Phoenix	___	MD	Nevada, Carson City	___	VA
Arkansas, Little Rock	___	MN	New Hampshire, Concord	___	WA
California, Sacramento	___	KS	New Jersey, Trenton	___	RI
Colorado, Denver	___	MI	New Mexico, Santa Fe	___	WY
Connecticut, Hartford	___	MA	New York, Albany	___	NH
Delaware, Dover	___	AK	North Carolina, Raleigh	___	OH
Florida, Tallahassee	___	CT	North Dakota, Bismarck	___	UT
Georgia, Atlanta	___	AL	Ohio, Columbus	___	WI
Hawaii, Honolulu	___	IN	Oklahoma, Oklahoma City	___	TX
Idaho, Boise	___	LA	Oregon, Salem	___	SD
Illinois, Springfield	___	ID	Pennsylvania, Harrisburg	___	NY
Indiana, Indianapolis	___	CA	Rhode Island, Providence	___	VT
Iowa, Des Moines	___	FL	South Carolina, Columbia	___	OK
Kansas, Topeka	___	MO	South Dakota, Pierre	___	NE
Kentucky, Frankfort	___	GA	Tennessee, Nashville	___	WV
Louisiana, Baton Rouge	___	ME	Texas, Austin	___	SC
Maine, Augusta	___	IL	Utah, Salt Lake City	___	ND
Maryland, Annapolis	___	DE	Vermont, Montpelier	___	NJ
Massachusetts, Boston	___	IA	Virginia, Richmond	___	PA
Michigan, Lansing	___	CO	Washington, Olympia	___	NV
Minnesota, St. Paul	___	AR	West Virginia, Charleston	___	MT
Mississippi, Jackson	___	HI	Wisconsin, Madison	___	NC
Missouri, Jefferson City	___	AZ	Wyoming, Cheyenne	___	NM



Did You Know?

Did you know that every state has an abbreviation? The abbreviation is made of two letters which are taken from the state's name. People use the abbreviation instead of spelling the state name, especially when mailing a letter.