

Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics Worksheet #56

FOCUS Capitalization of Places

Capitalize named places.

CONNECT TO WRITING

A named place is a proper noun and must be capitalized. The complete name of a geographical location is capitalized, including proper adjectives that are attached to the named place.

Adjectives answer Which one? How many? or What Kind? However, don't capitalize the compass directions unless they are part of a place name.

Examples: The state of North Dakota is west of Minnesota.
Ryan headed north to Los Angeles to see the Holocaust Museum.
The Sierra Nevada Mountains are in Nevada and California.

PRACTICE

Capitalize any named places in the following sentences.

1. I love to go see Broadway plays in new york city.
2. Some of the most beautiful scenery is found in douglas county in nevada.
3. The girls said they lived at 123 oak avenue in paris, north carolina.
4. In southern mississippi they still grow cotton.
5. The borough of long island has millions of people.
6. The Spanish own the canary islands off the coast of portugal.
7. I have heard that there is an American naval base on diego garcia in the indian ocean.
8. Her house is located at 342 twenty-seventh street.
9. For years, voters in the deep south solidly supported the Democratic Party.

WRITE

Write your own sentence with two named places that have a relationship to each other.

Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics Worksheet Answers

Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics Worksheet #55 Practice Answers

1. She told Uncle Charles that I went to see Dr. S. L. Thompson.
2. Will Mrs. James come to visit Aunt Robin and “Bubba” Peterson?
3. The army’s Captain Schneider reviewed the rules with P.F.C. Johnson.
4. Roy told Dad that Sis and I would get together at Mom’s work.
5. Officer Bob Benton issued a speed citation to Louis and his brother.

Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics Worksheet #56 Practice Answers

1. I love to go see Broadway plays in New York City.
2. Some of the most beautiful scenery is found in Douglas County in Nevada.
3. The girls said they lived at 123 Oak Avenue in Paris, North Carolina.
4. In Southern Mississippi they still grow cotton.
5. The borough of Long Island has millions of people.
6. The Spanish own the Canary Islands off the coast of Portugal.
7. I have heard that there is an American naval base on Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean.
8. Her house is located at 342 Twenty-seventh Street.
9. For years, voters in the Deep South solidly supported the Democratic Party.

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1. I hear that the Alex Theater has been completely remodeled.
2. Bill Gates helped invent the Windows Operating System.
3. Ryan once climbed the stairs to the top of the Sears Tower.
4. Have you vacationed in Yosemite National Park?
5. Mr. Newton was appointed sponsor of the Spanish Club.
6. I attended first Presbyterian Church for three years.
7. Did you kiss the Blarney Stone when you went to Ireland?
8. Kenny walked across the Golden Gate Bridge.

Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics Worksheet #58 Practice Answers

1. On the first Thanksgiving Day, Pilgrims and Native Americans shared a feast.
2. I’m sure that February 19th is Presidents Day this year.
3. Will we have cherry pie at the 4th of July party?
4. The Rose Parade is the granddaddy of all New Year’s Day parades.
5. She knows that Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday is celebrated only in the United States.
6. If Thursday will not work for you, how about Wednesday?
7. I got married on Flag Day, which is on June 14th.
8. The Chinese say that this is the Year of the Dog.
9. The Feast of Unleavened Bread is a Jewish holiday.
10. Does Santa really come down the chimney on Christmas Eve?