

D.C. Quiz!

How much do you know about our Nation's Capital?

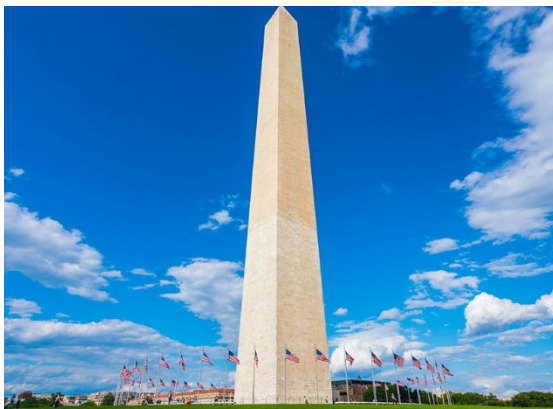
ANSWER KEY



Washington, DC

Also known as: Washington, District of Columbia, D.C., The District, Our Nation's Capital

1) Write the name of each monument under its photograph (1 pt each):



WASHINGTON MONUMENT



VIETNAM VETERANS' MEMORIAL



NATIONAL WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL



THOMAS JEFFERSON MEMORIAL

**Bonus: In 2011, a memorial was added to the National Mall. It was the last memorial that would be added to the National Mall. To whom was it dedicated (Hint: He was not a president and was alive during World War II, the Korean War, and part of the Vietnam War, but did not fight in any of them)

Answer: REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (This monument is located about halfway between the FDR Memorial and Lincoln Memorial)

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2) Things that ARE NOT in Washington, D.C. (circle the correct answer):

Which of the following is **NOT** a Smithsonian Institution? (1 pt)

- A) The National Air and Space Museum
- B) The National Museum of African Art
- C) The National Museum of Music History
- D) The Hirshorn Museum and Sculpture Garden

Which of the following is **NOT** a professional sports team in Washington, D.C.? (1 pt)

- A) Washington Commanders
- B) D.C. United
- C) Washington Capitals
- D) Washington Congressionals

****Bonus (1pt each): What sport does each of the real teams play?***

Team 1: Commanders - Football

Team 2: United - Soccer

Team 3: Capitals - Hockey

Which of the following is **NOT** located in Washington, D.C.? (1 pt)

- A) The United Nations Headquarters
- B) The American Red Cross Headquarters
- C) The Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters
- D) The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism

Which Cupcake Shop is **NOT** located in Georgetown? (1 pt)

- A) Sprinkles
- B) Baked & Wired
- C) District Cupcakes
- D) Georgetown Cupcakes

3) Washington, D.C. is home to the National Archives. The Archives are home to many famous documents such as the original Declaration of Independence, the original Constitution and even the charter for the Statue of Liberty. Fill in the blanks of some of these famous patriotic writings, and then write which document these excerpts come from.

- A) We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. (2 pts)

Document: Declaration of Independence (1 pt)

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We the People of the United States in Order to form a more **perfect** Union, establish Justice, insure domestic **Tranquility**, provide for the **defense**, promote the general **welfare**, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this **Constitution** for the United States of America. (2 pts)

Document: **Constitution (preamble)** (1 pt)

Congress shall make no **law** respecting an **establishment** of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of **speech**, or of the **press** or the right of the people peaceably to **assemble** and to **petition** the Government for a redress of grievances. (2 pts)

Document: **Bill of Rights, First Amendment** (1 pt)

- 4) **While everyone knows that Joe Biden is our president*, not many know who comprises the rest of his cabinet.* Let's see how many you know! (There are many more than those listed here) (1 pt each)**

Vice President*: **Kamala Harris**

Secretary of State*: **Antony Blinken**

Secretary of Health and Human Services*: **Xavier Becerra**

Attorney General*: **Merrick Garland**

Secretary of Education*: **Dr. Miguel Cardona**

Secretary of the Treasury*: **Jane Yellen**

- 5) **True/False Questions (1 pt each)**

False Washington, D.C. is a state.
(Washington, D.C. is a federal district.)

False Washington, D.C. has a voting representative in Congress.
(D.C. has a non-voting member of the House of Representatives who can introduce legislation and serve on Committees, but cannot vote on the floor. D.C. does not have a Senator.)

False Washington, D.C. residents cannot vote in presidential elections.
(In 1961, the 23rd Amendment allowed Washington to have three votes in the Electoral College. Prior to that, citizens of D.C. did not have the right to vote in presidential elections.)

True Congress has ultimate authority over Washington, D.C.
(While this is true, the Home Rule Act of 1973 provided a mayor and city council that took over most governance. However, Congress still has the right to review and change any D.C. laws.)

False There are three private undergraduate universities in Washington, D.C.
(There are ten private undergraduate universities, as well as many public, two-year and graduate institutions. In short, D.C. is a great place to go to college!)

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6) What is the DC subway system called? (1 pt)

- A) Subway
- B) Metro
- C) Light Rail
- D) D.C. Rail

7) How many Wards are there in DC? (1 pt)

- A) 5
- B) 7
- C) 8
- D) What are Wards????

8) Which letters of the alphabet do not have streets in DC? J, X, Y, Z (1 pt)

Total Points: _____ /35

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