

Louisiana: The History of an American State

Textbook Introduction

Scavenger Hunt

Welcome to *Louisiana: The History of an American State*. This scavenger hunt will help you learn about how your new textbook is organized, what resources it contains, and start you on your way to finding some great facts about our state. See if you can be the first one to find all the answers!

Instructions: Use your textbook to locate the information needed for each item.

Table of Contents

1. Find “Louisiana’s Cultural Regions” and list them. _____

2. Which chapters do not teach about a particular time period in the state’s history? _____

More at the Front

3. Use the **Maps** list. Name three countries that border Vietnam.

4. Use the **Figures** list to find the rating for the most powerful tornado. What is its maximum wind speed?

5. Use the **Figures** list to identify the most important civil rights decision of 1954?

6. Look at the **Special Features** list. One fun part of this book is reading about interesting people and places in Louisiana. For instance, did you know that there is a museum dedicated to just one day from World War II? What’s the museum and when was the day? Check “Connecting with U.S. History.”

7. Use “The Art of Politics” to find what unusual people followed some soldiers to battle in the War of 1812. _____



Timelines

A special feature of the book is the timelines near the beginning of each chapter. Find the right timeline to answer your next question.

8. Did Louisiana secede from the United States before or after the start of the Civil War? (chapter 10) _____



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Photographs

Use captions of photographs to complete these items.

9. What was the “Great Conflagration of New Orleans” in 1788 and how many buildings were destroyed in it? (chapter 7) _____
10. What catastrophe is causing problems for the train? (chapter 13; section 2)

11. Which student caused parents in New Orleans to protest when she enrolled in William Frantz Elementary School? (chapter 15; section 1)

The Back of the Book: Appendices

12. How many miles of coastline does Louisiana have?

13. What was the population (in 2000) of your parish?

14. In what year was your parish founded? _____
15. For what person or thing was your parish named?

16. What is Louisiana’s oldest college or university? _____



The Back of the Book: Atlas

17. How many natural regions are shown in Louisiana? _____
18. What three countries form the eastern border of Iran?

Check out the chapters... how are they organized? Let’s take a look at the parts. Note: chapter titles are shown at the bottom left corner of most left-hand pages.

19. How many sections does **Chapter 1** contain? _____
20. How many **vocabulary terms** are there for the first **Section** of Chapter 1? _____
21. Look at the **Chapter Summary** for Chapter 10. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do for the Confederate slaves? _____
22. According to a **Lagniappe** box in Chapter 5, when did Indians usually carry out their warfare? _____

