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## Missouri: Gateway to the West

Chapter 1: Celebrate Missouri!  
Internet Activity



In this lesson, you will look at some of the fun things that you can do in Missouri. You'll also learn about some of the symbols of our great state! A **symbol** is a thing that stands for another thing. Many things are symbols of our state.

**Instructions:** Click the linked words. These will take you to a website where you can find the facts needed to complete each item below.

1. What are three [nicknames](#) for Missouri?

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2. What is the [capital](#) of Missouri?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. When did Missouri become a [state](#)?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Find Missouri's official [state symbols](#).

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <b>Bird</b>                   |  |
| <b>Floral Emblem (flower)</b> |  |
| <b>Tree</b>                   |  |
| <b>Song</b>                   |  |
| <b>Animal</b>                 |  |

5. What is your favorite symbol of Missouri?

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6. What is Missouri's official [state musical instrument](#)?

\_\_\_\_\_

7. An important symbol of our state is the state flag. Use the rectangle to draw the [state flag](#).

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for the student to draw the Missouri state flag.

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Let's look at some of the fun parks in our state. [The state park map](#) shows state parks and historic sites. Put your mouse on one color area of the map. See the name of the region.

8. Click on one region (color area). Read the list of state parks and historic sites. Choose one of these to explore. Then, complete the table with information that you find.

Use your Back button to return to the main map. Complete the table in the same way.

| <i>Region</i>      | <i>Town or City</i> | <i>List two of the things that you can do or see at this park or historic site.</i> |
|--------------------|---------------------|---|
| <b>Kansas City</b> |                     |   |
| <b>Northeast</b>   |                     |   |
| <b>Central</b>     |                     |   |
| <b>St. Louis</b>   |                     |   |
| <b>Southeast</b>   |                     |   |
| <b>Lakes</b>       |                     |   |

**Finished Early?** Try out some of the fun things to do on the [Missouri Kids!](#) webpage.