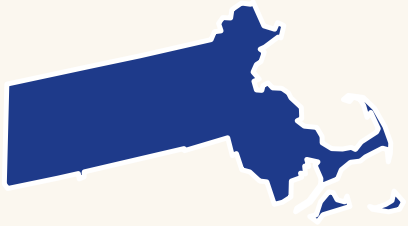
STATE 6 OF 50 · MA

FREE
5 PUZZLES



THE BAY STATE

Massachusetts Puzzle Pack

Five free puzzles about Massachusetts for kids in grades 2 to 8, with a fast-facts page and every answer key.

Crossword · Word Search · Word Fill-In · Word Scramble · Cryptogram · Fast Facts · Answer Keys

Welcome to Massachusetts!

Grab a pencil and a warm scarf: we're touring Massachusetts! In the next few pages you'll crack a code, hunt for hidden towns, and follow clues from the sandy hook of Cape Cod to the green hills of the Berkshires. You'll walk where the American Revolution began, meet a tiny chickadee, and visit the city where basketball was invented with a peach basket. Then dig into a bowl of chowder. Ready? Let's go!



MASSACHUSETTS FAST FACTS

Capital	Boston
Largest city	Boston
Nickname	The Bay State
Statehood	February 6, 1788 (the 6th state)
Region	Northeast
State bird	Black-capped Chickadee
State flower	Mayflower
State tree	American Elm
State Dog	Boston Terrier
State Insect	Ladybug
State Berry	Cranberry
Motto	Ense petit placidam sub libertate quietem (Latin for "By the sword we seek peace, but peace only under liberty")

For parents and teachers: This Massachusetts pack fits grades 2 to 8, and the answer keys are at the back. Print as many copies as you need for your home or classroom.

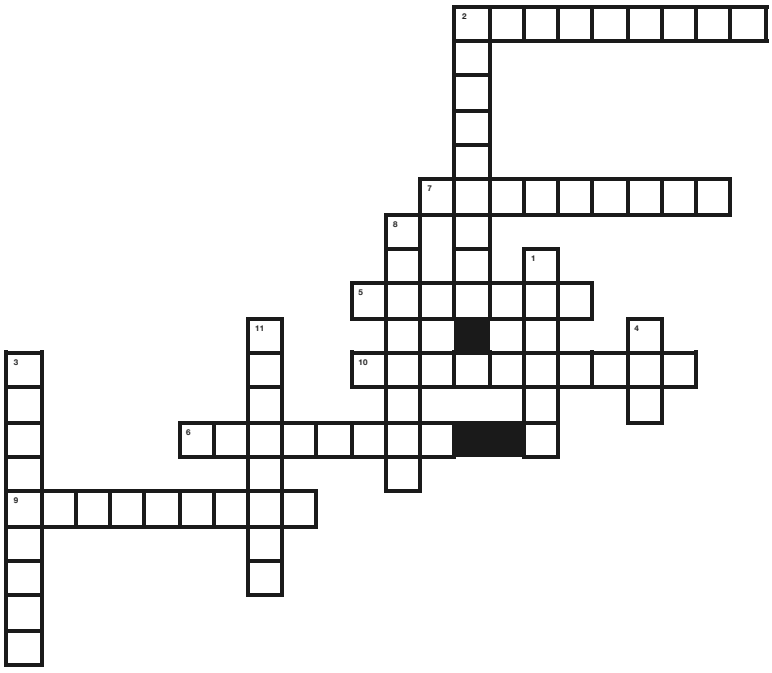
PUZZLE 1 OF 5 · CROSSWORD

Massachusetts Crossword

12 clues about the state

Read each clue and write the answer in the matching squares, one letter per box.

Puzzle Guide: Start with the clues you are sure of. Every letter you write is a free hint for the words that cross it.



ACROSS

2. Tart red state berry grown in bogs

5. Hook-shaped peninsula with sandy beaches

6. Colony founded by the Pilgrims in 1620

7. Native nation that shared a harvest feast with the Pilgrims

9. Town where the Revolution's first shots rang out in 1775

10. Sport invented in Springfield in 1891

DOWN

1. State capital and largest city

2. Small state bird with a black cap

3. State flower, and the name of the Pilgrims' ship

4. American ___, the state tree

8. Boston ___, a 1773 protest in the harbor

11. Mount ___, the highest peak in the state

PUZZLE 2 OF 5 · WORD SEARCH

Massachusetts Places to Explore

Cities, islands, hills and historic trails across the state

Find every word in the list. Words go across, down and on a slant.

Puzzle Guide: Hunt for an unusual letter like Q, X, J or Z first, then check all eight directions around it.

Q	D	Q	E	O	V	B	L	T	M	H	E	D	X	H
H	J	Y	H	F	B	E	R	K	S	H	I	R	E	S
F	A	L	L	R	I	V	E	R	G	G	C	X	Y	R
K	N	E	W	B	E	D	F	O	R	D	P	I	Y	T
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E	V	S	C	A	M	B	R	I	D	G	E	Y	X	O
S	O	C	Q	N	A	N	T	U	C	K	E	T	T	W
T	U	V	S	P	R	I	N	G	F	I	E	L	D	E
E	Q	U	A	B	B	I	N	U	N	F	V	V	Q	L
R	P	W	P	H	G	Q	L	Y	G	Q	M	J	R	L

Word List

PROVINCETOWN
BERKSHIRES
PITTSFIELD
NANTUCKET
QUABBIN
FREEDOMTRAIL
GLOUCESTER
WORCESTER
FALLRIVER
LOWELL
SPRINGFIELD
NEWBEDFORD
CAMBRIDGE
CONCORD
SALEM

THE MASSACHUSETTS SUPER PACK

20 more Massachusetts puzzles are waiting for you

Finished already? The Massachusetts Super Pack has 20 more puzzles: Paul Revere's ride, whales and shellfish, cranberry bogs, famous authors, Cape Cod beaches and the state's official dog, gem and dinosaur track. Twenty puzzles, one big Bay State adventure, $1.99.

ALL 20 PUZZLES INSIDE

1	Massachusetts Revolution Trail	Word Search
2	Massachusetts Cranberry Bogs	Word Scramble
3	Massachusetts Cape Cod and Islands	Word Fill-In
4	Massachusetts Park Fact	Cryptogram
5	Massachusetts Ocean Life	Word Search
6	Massachusetts Authors and Artists	Word Scramble
7	Massachusetts Birds	Word Fill-In
8	Massachusetts Subway Fact	Cryptogram
9	Massachusetts Cities and Towns	Word Search
10	Massachusetts Pilgrims and Wampanoag	Word Scramble
11	Massachusetts Trees and Plants	Word Fill-In
12	Massachusetts Revolution Fact	Cryptogram
13	Massachusetts Hills and Valleys	Word Search
14	Massachusetts Winter Weather	Word Scramble
15	Massachusetts Woods and Wetlands	Word Fill-In
16	Massachusetts Game Fact	Cryptogram
17	Massachusetts State Symbols	Word Search
18	Massachusetts Boston Harbor	Word Scramble
19	Massachusetts Sports Words	Word Fill-In
20	Massachusetts Ship Fact	Cryptogram

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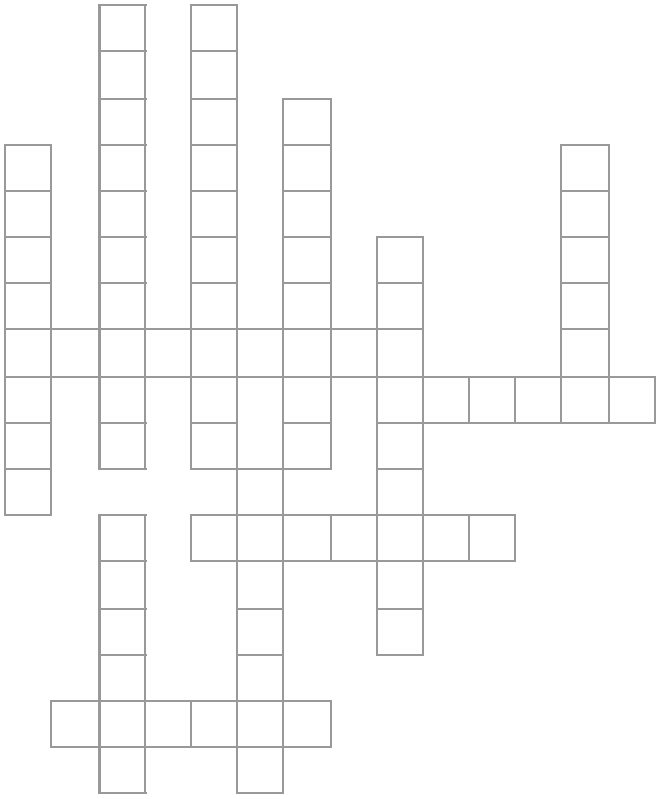
PUZZLE 3 OF 5 · WORD FILL-IN

Massachusetts Animals

Creatures of the ocean, forests and fields

Fit every word from the list into the grid. Start with the longest words and the ones that only fit one place.

Puzzle Guide: Count the boxes first. A word that is the only one of its length can go in right away.



Word List

6 letters:	BEAVER, BOBCAT, COYOTE, FISHER
7 letters:	CODFISH, LOBSTER
8 letters:	GRAYSEAL, HUMPBACK
9 letters:	BLACKBEAR, PORCUPINE
10 letters:	RIGHTWHALE, WILDTURKEY

PUZZLE 4 OF 5 · WORD SCRAMBLE

Massachusetts Fun

Things to eat, read and do in the Bay State

Unscramble each word. Every answer is from this state's story.

Puzzle Guide: Find the vowels, then try a starting letter. Say your guesses out loud: Massachusetts words sound right.

Unscramble each word below.

	Scrambled	Your Answer
1.	ROCWHED	_____
2.	ASKENBEDBA	_____
3.	FRCOFNUMIN	_____
4.	ALHCAHEWTW	_____
5.	ISNAIGL	_____
6.	LDSUKGICN	_____
7.	NTWAASOB	_____
8.	LPPEDASEE	_____
9.	BBCYTAAT	_____
10.	IHSUTEHLGO	_____
11.	HBCAE	_____
12.	IICCPN	_____

PUZZLE 5 OF 5 · CRYPTOGRAM

Massachusetts Secret Fact

Crack the code to learn when Massachusetts became a state

Each letter stands for a different letter. Use the given letters to crack the code and read a true fact.

Puzzle Guide: Look for one-letter words first. They are almost always A or I, and that unlocks a lot of the code.

O Y D D Y R P T D Z B B D

V Z R Y O Z B P Z D S U B P

D B Y B Z G C N Z V Q T Y Q H

D S U B P , D Z X Z C B Z Z C

Z S I P B H Z S I P B .

Hints:

`Z` = E `T` = U `B` = T

FINISH LINE

You did it, Massachusetts explorer!

You solved your way across Massachusetts, the Bay State. Check your work on the answer pages that follow, and give yourself a star for every puzzle you finished.

One more challenge: tell someone three things you learned about Massachusetts. Here is one to start you off: its capital is Boston.

DID YOU KNOW? 10 TRUE FACTS ABOUT MASSACHUSETTS

- The Pilgrims arrived on the Mayflower in 1620 and founded Plymouth Colony on land long home to the Wampanoag people.
- In 1621 the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag shared a harvest feast that many people call the first Thanksgiving.
- The Boston Tea Party took place on December 16, 1773, when colonists dumped tea into Boston Harbor to protest a British tax.
- The first battles of the American Revolution were fought at Lexington and Concord on April 19, 1775.
- James Naismith invented basketball in Springfield in 1891, and William G. Morgan invented volleyball in Holyoke in 1895.
- Boston Common, set aside in 1634, is the oldest city park in the United States.
- Boston opened the first subway tunnel in North America in 1897.
- Mount Greylock is the highest point in Massachusetts, at about 3,490 feet.
- The state is named for the Massachusett people. Their name is often translated as near the great hill.
- USS Constitution, launched in Boston in 1797, is the oldest commissioned warship still afloat in the world.

MAKE YOUR OWN

Keep the Massachusetts lessons going

Every puzzle in this pack was made with PuzzlePage. The same tools are at puzzlepage.app: type your own words, preview the page and print. Here are four ways to use them for Massachusetts.

Word Search Maker

Turn a spelling list of Massachusetts cities, rivers and landmarks into a word search.

puzzlepage.app/word-search

Crossword Maker

Write your own clues about Boston and the Bay State for a custom crossword.

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Worksheet Builder

Put a Massachusetts word search, scramble and crossword on one page for a quick review sheet.

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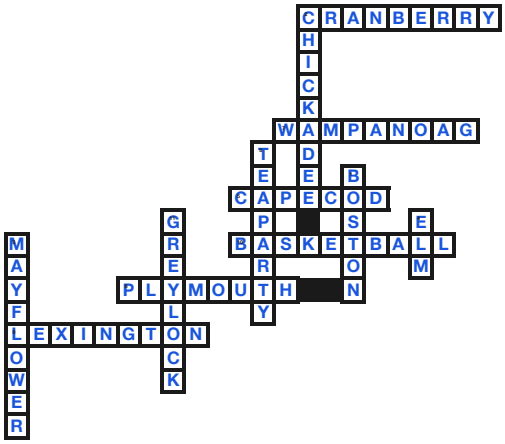
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Answer Key

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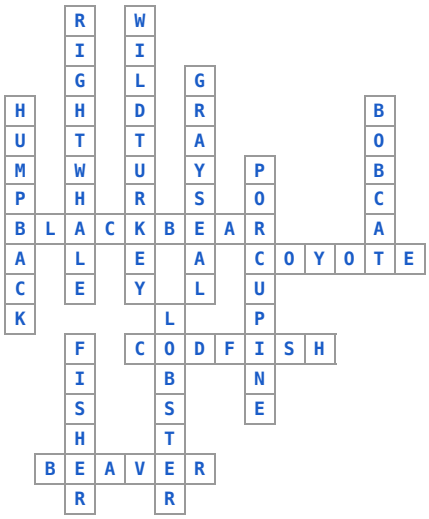


2. Massachusetts Places to Explore (Word Search)

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F	**A**	**L**	**L**	**R**	**I**	**V**	**E**	**R**	G	G	C	X	Y	R
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R	P	W	P	H	G	Q	L	Y	G	Q	M	J	**R**	**L**

Answer Key

3. Massachusetts Animals (Word Fill-In)



4. Massachusetts Fun (Word Scramble)

1.	ROCWHED	**CHOWDER**
2.	ASKENBEDBA	**BAKEDBEANS**
3.	FRCOFNUMIN	**CORNMUFFIN**
4.	ALHCAHEWTW	**WHALEWATCH**
5.	ISNAIGL	**SAILING**
6.	LDSUKGICN	**DUCKLINGS**
7.	NTWAASOB	**SWANBOAT**
8.	LPPEDASEE	**APPLESEED**
9.	BBCYTAAT	**TABBYCAT**
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11.	HBCAE	**BEACH**
12.	IICCPN	**PICNIC**

5. Massachusetts Secret Fact (Cryptogram)

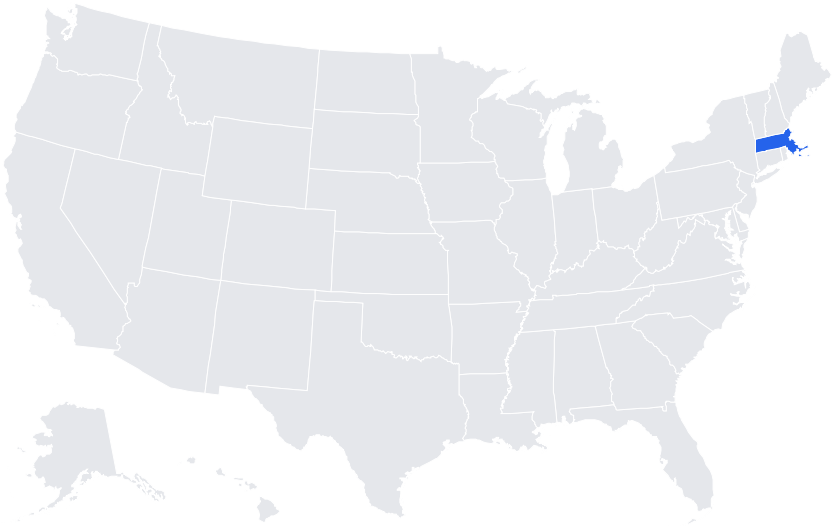
MASSACHUSETTS BECAME THE SIXTH STATE ON FEBRUARY SIXTH, SEVENTEEN EIGHTY EIGHT.

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