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FREE
5 PUZZLES



THE GREAT LAKES STATE

Michigan Puzzle Pack

Five free puzzles about Michigan 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 Michigan!

Grab a pencil and pull on your mittens: we're exploring Michigan, the state shaped like one! In the next few pages you'll crack a code, hunt for hidden towns, and follow clues from the giant sand dunes of Sleeping Bear to the wild shores of Lake Superior. You'll ride across a five-mile bridge, meet a bird that sings in every backyard, and dig for a stone that was once a coral reef. Ready? Look about you!



MICHIGAN FAST FACTS

Capital	Lansing
Largest city	Detroit
Nickname	The Great Lakes State
Statehood	January 26, 1837 (the 26th state)
Region	Midwest
State bird	American Robin
State flower	Apple Blossom
State tree	Eastern White Pine
State Stone	Petoskey Stone
State Fish	Brook Trout
State Duck	Wood Duck
Motto	Si quaeris peninsulam amoenam circumspice (Latin for "If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you")

For parents and teachers: This Michigan 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.

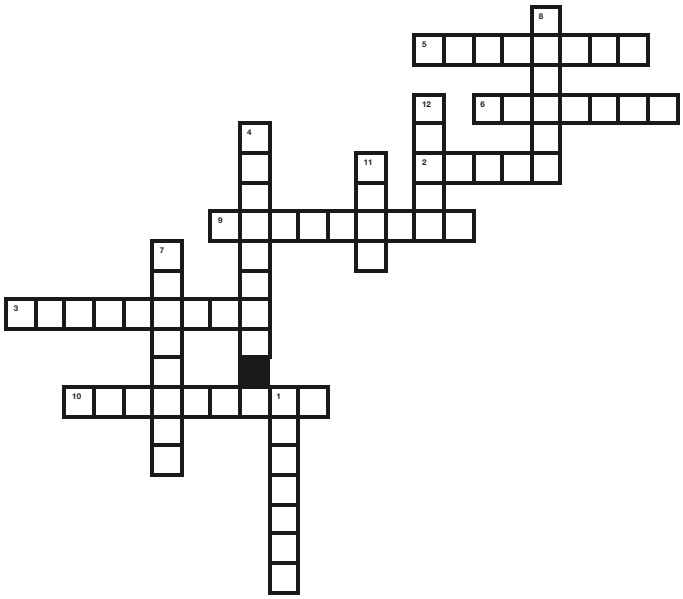
PUZZLE 1 OF 5 · CROSSWORD

Michigan 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. Red-breasted state bird that sings in spring

3. State tree, a tall evergreen with soft needles

5. Island where people ride bikes and horses instead of cars

6. Largest city, nicknamed the Motor City

9. Fierce animal in one of the state's nicknames

10. Land almost surrounded by water; the state has two

DOWN

1. The state capital, on the Grand River

4. State stone, a fossil coral with a six-sided pattern

7. Biggest Great Lake, on the state's northern shore

8. The Lower Peninsula is shaped like this winter glove

11. Henry ___, whose plant began a moving assembly line in 1913

12. Great Lake on the state's east side, home of Saginaw Bay

PUZZLE 2 OF 5 · WORD SEARCH

Michigan Places to Explore

Cities, dunes, islands and waterfalls in both peninsulas

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.

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

Word List

PICTUREDROCKS
GRANDRAPIDS
KALAMAZOO
SOOLOCKS
SAGINAW
TRAVERSECITY
TAHQUAMENON
MARQUETTE
DEARBORN
HOLLAND
SLEEPINGBEAR
ISLEROYALE
ANNARBOR
MUSKEGON
FLINT

THE MICHIGAN SUPER PACK

20 more Michigan puzzles are waiting for you

Finished already? The Michigan Super Pack has 20 more puzzles: lighthouses and shipwrecks, Motor City history, Upper Peninsula treasures, Great Lakes fish, north woods wildlife and the newest state symbols. Twenty puzzles, two peninsulas, $1.99.

ALL 20 PUZZLES INSIDE

1	Michigan Great Lakes Shores	Word Search
2	Michigan Farm Foods	Word Scramble
3	Michigan Rivers	Word Fill-In
4	Michigan Bridge Fact	Cryptogram
5	Michigan Cities and Towns	Word Search
6	Michigan Winter Fun	Word Scramble
7	Michigan Lighthouse Words	Word Fill-In
8	Michigan Fossil Fact	Cryptogram
9	Michigan North Woods Wildlife	Word Search
10	Michigan Upper Peninsula	Word Scramble
11	Michigan Native Nations	Word Fill-In
12	Michigan Island Fact	Cryptogram
13	Michigan Motor City History	Word Search
14	Michigan Great Lakes Fish	Word Scramble
15	Michigan Forest Trees	Word Fill-In
16	Michigan Factory Fact	Cryptogram
17	Michigan State Symbols	Word Search
18	Michigan Weather and Seasons	Word Scramble
19	Michigan Great Lakes Ships	Word Fill-In
20	Michigan Coastline Fact	Cryptogram

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- ✓ 5 word searches, 5 cryptograms, 5 scrambles and 5 fill-ins
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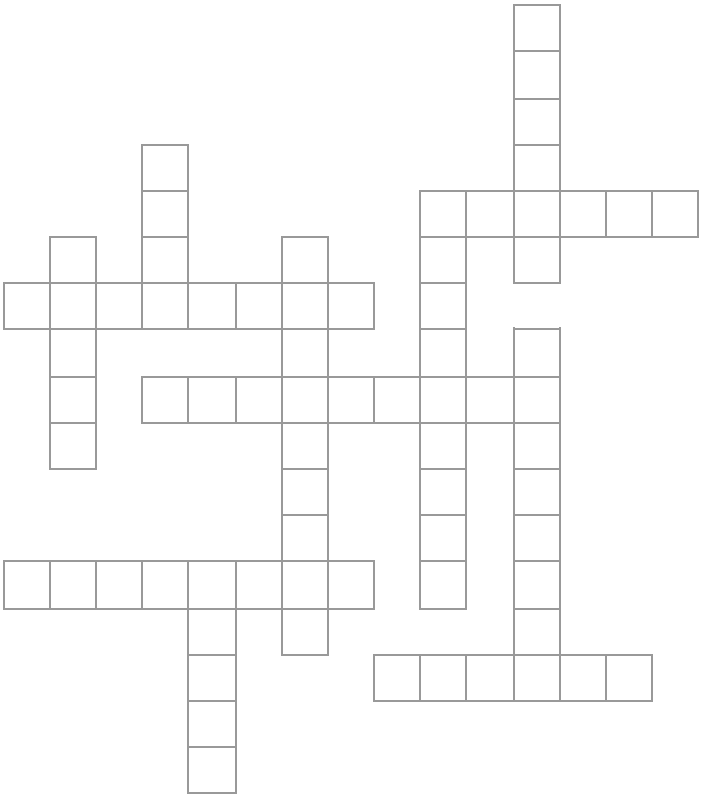
PUZZLE 3 OF 5 · WORD FILL-IN

Michigan Animals

Creatures of the forests, lakes and rivers

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

4 letters:	DEER
5 letters:	MOOSE, OTTER
6 letters:	BEAVER, BOBCAT, REDFOX
8 letters:	CHIPMUNK, GRAYWOLF, STURGEON
9 letters:	BALDEAGLE, BLACKBEAR, PORCUPINE

PUZZLE 4 OF 5 · WORD SCRAMBLE

Michigan Fun

Things to eat, see and do in the Great Lakes 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: Michigan words sound right.

Unscramble each word below.

	Scrambled	Your Answer
1.	CRERHESI	_____
2.	DGFUE	_____
3.	OTEIHSLUGH	_____
4.	RFYER	_____
5.	WLOEOINMSB	_____
6.	KIISNG	_____
7.	ANEOC	_____
8.	IACPNMG	_____
9.	SUDNESAND	_____
10.	FHSIIGN	_____
11.	RBELBRUYE	_____
12.	BATSALIO	_____

PUZZLE 5 OF 5 · CRYPTOGRAM

Michigan Secret Fact

Crack the code to learn when Michigan 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.

H S L X S Y Q P W Z L Q H Z U X Z

U F Z P U K G S B U X G U Q U Z T P

R Q P N Q M K U F Z P U K G S B U X ,

Z S Y X U Z Z P U X S M U K G Z I Z P .

Hints:

`N = U` `U = T` `Y = G`

FINISH LINE

You did it, Michigan explorer!

You solved your way across Michigan, the Great Lakes 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 Michigan. Here is one to start you off: its capital is Lansing.

DID YOU KNOW? 10 TRUE FACTS ABOUT MICHIGAN

- Michigan touches four of the five Great Lakes: Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie.
- Michigan has about 3,288 miles of shoreline, the longest freshwater coastline of any state.
- Michigan is made of two big peninsulas. The Lower Peninsula is shaped a lot like a mitten.
- The Mackinac Bridge, about five miles long, has joined the Upper and Lower Peninsulas since 1957.
- Cars have been banned on Mackinac Island for over 100 years, so people walk, bike or ride horses.
- The Petoskey stone, the state stone, is a fossil coral that lived about 350 million years ago.
- On Isle Royale, an island park in Lake Superior, scientists have studied wolves and moose for decades.
- The Soo Locks at Sault Ste. Marie raise and lower giant ships between Lake Superior and Lake Huron.
- In 1913, a Ford plant in Highland Park became the first car factory to use a moving assembly line.
- About 10.1 million people lived in Michigan at the 2020 Census, and Detroit is its largest city.

MAKE YOUR OWN

Keep the Michigan 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 Michigan.

Word Search Maker

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

puzzlepage.app/word-search

Crossword Maker

Write your own clues about Lansing and the Great Lakes State for a custom crossword.

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Worksheet Builder

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

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Flash Card Maker

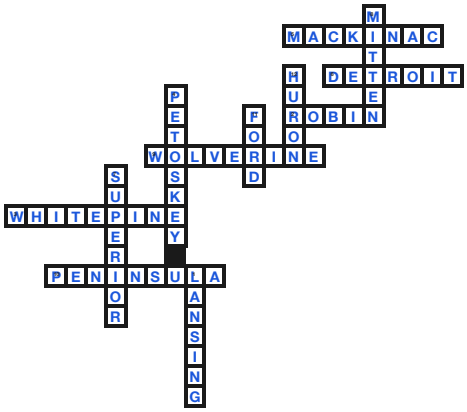
Make printable cards for Michigan facts: its capital, nickname, statehood date and more.

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Answer Key

1. Michigan Crossword (Crossword)



2. Michigan Places to Explore (Word Search)

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

Answer Key

3. Michigan Animals (Word Fill-In)



4. Michigan Fun (Word Scramble)

1.	CRERHESI	**CHERRIES**
2.	DGFUE	**FUDGE**
3.	OTEIHSLUGH	**LIGHTHOUSE**
4.	RFYER	**FERRY**
5.	WLOEOINMSB	**SNOWMOBILE**
6.	KIISNG	**SKIING**
7.	ANEOC	**CANOE**
8.	IACPNMG	**CAMPING**
9.	SUDNESAND	**SANDDUNES**
10.	FHSIIGN	**FISHING**
11.	RBELBRUYE	**BLUEBERRY**
12.	BATSALIO	**SAILBOAT**

5. Michigan Secret Fact (Cryptogram)

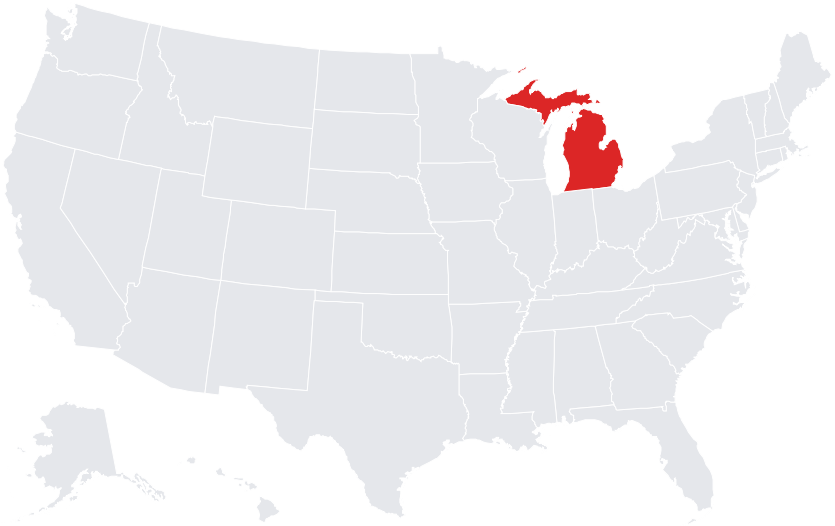
MICHIGAN BECAME THE TWENTY SIXTH STATE ON JANUARY TWENTY SIXTH, EIGHTEEN THIRTY SEVEN.

COLLECT ALL 50

You're on state 26 of 50

Michigan was the 26th state to join the Union. Every state has its own free puzzle pack, so you can solve your way across the whole country. Next stop in statehood order: Florida.

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- [ ] Alabama
- [ ] Alaska
- [ ] Arizona
- [ ] Arkansas
- [ ] California
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- [ ] Connecticut
- [ ] Delaware
- [ ] Florida
- [ ] Georgia
- [ ] Hawaii
- [ ] Idaho
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- [ ] Maryland
- [ ] Massachusetts
- [x] **Michigan**
- [ ] Minnesota
- [ ] Mississippi
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