

Alaska: The Last Frontier — Worksheet

Name: _____ Date: _____

Part 1: Vocabulary Match

Draw a line to match each word with the correct meaning.

- 1. Glacier
- 2. Mushing
- 3. Arctic Circle
- 4. Invaders
- 5. Prisoner of war
- A. A person captured during a war
- B. A huge, slow-moving river of ice
- C. A very cold region near the North Pole
- D. People who enter a place by force
- E. Dog sledding, Alaska's official sport

Part 2: Reading Comprehension

- 1. Why does Alaska feel wild and mysterious?
 - a. It has many cities
 - b. It is very large and full of nature
 - c. It has lots of houses
 - d. It is always dark
- 2. Alaska was bought from which country?
 - a. Canada
 - b. Japan
 - c. Russia
 - d. England
- 3. How much did the United States pay for Alaska?
 - a. \$72 million
 - b. \$7.2 million
 - c. \$425 million
 - d. \$1959 million
- 4. What is the highest mountain in North America called?
 - a. Mount Rainier
 - b. Mount Everest
 - c. Denali
 - d. Kiska
- 5. What happens in parts of Alaska during the summer?
 - a. The sun never rises
 - b. It rains every day
 - c. The sun does not set for weeks
 - d. It snows nonstop

Part 3: True or False

- 1. _____ Rhode Island could fit into Alaska more than 400 times.
- 2. _____ Polar bears hunt seals on the ice.
- 3. _____ Alaska became a state before World War II.
- 4. _____ Japanese forces attacked Alaska during World War II.
- 5. _____ Alaska has no military bases today.

Part 4: Short Answer

- 1. Name two animals that live in Alaska.

- 2. What happens to daylight in Alaska during the winter?

- 3. Why did people rush to Alaska after it was bought by the U.S.?

Part 5: Think & Imagine

If you could visit Alaska, what would you most want to see or do?

Bonus Question: Alaska's nickname is "The Last Frontier." What do you think that means?
