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States and Capitals of the Southwest Region

Directions: Study the table of Southwest states before you begin. It stays on the screen with every question.

The Southwest Region

The Southwest region in the five-region model: each state, its capital city, one landform it is known for, and the other Southwest states it borders

State	Capital city	A landform it is known for	Southwest states it borders
Arizona	Phoenix	Grand Canyon	New Mexico
New Mexico	Santa Fe	White Sands	Arizona, Oklahoma, Texas
Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	Wichita Mountains	New Mexico, Texas
Texas	Austin	Padre Island	New Mexico, Oklahoma

1. Use the word bank to finish these two sentences about capitals.

Word bank

capital • biggest • capitol • government

A state's capital is the city where the state _____ meets. The building where state lawmakers work is called the _____.

2. In the 2020 Census, Houston had more people than any other city in Texas. What does the table show about big cities and capitals?

A. A state's biggest city is not always its capital.

B. Houston is the capital of Texas.

C. A state's biggest city is always its capital.

D. Only small cities can be state capitals.

3. Match each state in the Southwest table to the city that is its capital.

Write the letter of the matching answer on each line.

1. _____ Arizona
2. _____ New Mexico
3. _____ Oklahoma
4. _____ Texas

A. Houston
B. Albuquerque
C. Phoenix
D. Santa Fe
E. Austin
F. Oklahoma City

4. Which landform in the table was carved by a river?

A. Grand Canyon
B. Padre Island
C. White Sands
D. Wichita Mountains

5. Find the state whose capital is Santa Fe. Which landform does the table list for that state?

A. Grand Canyon
B. White Sands
C. Padre Island
D. Wichita Mountains

6. Bison and elk roam a wildlife refuge in the mountains named in the table. In which state are these mountains?

A. Oklahoma
B. Texas
C. Arizona
D. New Mexico

7. Sea turtles crawl onto the beaches of one landform in the table to lay their eggs. Which landform is it?

A. Wichita Mountains
B. Grand Canyon
C. Padre Island
D. White Sands

8. Which state in the table shares a border with all three of the other Southwest states?

A. Oklahoma
B. New Mexico
C. Texas
D. Arizona

9. According to the borders column, which state touches just one other Southwest state?

A. New Mexico
B. Texas
C. Oklahoma
D. Arizona