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GEO NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC XPEDITIONS MAP GAME

A fun geolinguistic challenge created with maps at <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/resources/ngo/education/xpeditions/atlas/>

HOW TO PLAY:

The NGX site provides printable maps for over 300 world countries and N. American states & provinces. Choose one that contains a fair number of cities (the place names marked with a ●) and print it. Using **ONLY** the city names, complete as many of the challenges below to earn as many points as possible.

Two cities that rhyme

50 points

A city that has 12+ letters (must be one word only)

50 points

A city that has at least 4 other smaller words within its name

100 points

A city w/ the same # of vowels & consonants

150 points

A city that has the same # of letters as the alphanumeric value of its 1st letter (ex: S. DAKOTA "Highmore" has 8 letters - H is the 8th letter of the alphabet)

200 points

A string of five cities that start and end with the same letter (Ex: ENGLAND LiverpoolL Leeds SouthamptonN NottinghamM Manchester)

300 points

If you're unable to complete a challenge with your map, use an atlas to find even smaller cities.

Answers requiring another source earn **HALF** credit.

You can also earn **10% credit** for each *additional* answer you find for each challenge. (ex: Your map has 5 cities with 12+ letters...you earn 50 pts for the first and 20 pts - 5 points each - for the other four.)

geopuns

Okay, so the idea here is to fill in the blanks with the correct place word from below. find all twelve? When you be sure to your work. If you're hard time, down and don't make any decisions.

through this will not earn you a good grade. (Hint: You really have to put your heart and into it!)

Well, it's almost time I had if I can't find cool puns for next time.

Kenya	Havana	Maine	Czech
Sudan	Seattle	Somoa	Togo
Russian	Battersea	Finnish	Seoul

Egyptia Numeracy

The *original* height of the Great Pyramid is estimated at 40 stories (about 480 feet.) However, due to erosion over the past 4500 years, its current height is 455 feet. (This means it's **10x older** than it is tall!) If you wanted to build a scale model, the 1:455 ratio works rather nicely considering the base sides measure 756 feet:

1 foot high (455 / 455 = 1)

1 foot 8 inches wide (756 / 455 = 1.661)

printable activity sheet at

<http://creativityisforever.com/resources/ediblestructures-greatpyramid.pdf>