

New York Lessons (Answers)

1. On which coast of the United States of America is New York?
New York is on the East Coast of USA.
2. Name the five boroughs that make up New York City.
Brooklyn, The Bronx, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island.
3. Name the two rivers that surround Manhattan Island, explain which side they are on and name a bridge that spans one of the rivers.
East River (to the east) and Hudson River (to the west). Choice of Queenboro Bridge, Brooklyn Bridge, Williamsburg Bridge, Manhattan Bridge and The George Washington Bridge.
4. What materials is the Brooklyn Bridge constructed from?
Timber, galvanised steel, limestone and granite.
5. When was New York City founded? What was its original name?
New York was founded in 1613 and was first called "New Amsterdam"
6. Where were 12 million immigrants processed on their entry to the USA?
Ellis Island
7. What opened in 1904 and how did it change the city?
New York Subway which united the five boroughs and contributed to the growth of the city.
8. Name the art deco skyscraper on Lexington Avenue. How long did it hold the title of "the world's tallest building"?
The Chrysler Building. It was only the world's tallest building for a year because it was overtaken by The Empire State Building in 1931.
9. What is the connection between The Statue of Liberty and The Eiffel Tower?
Civil engineer and architect Gustave Eiffel.

10. What does liberty hold in her left hand and what is written on it?

She holds a tablet inscribed with date of the US declaration of Independence.

11. Describe the cultural heritage of the New York neighbourhood of Harlem.

Rich in Hispanic and African-American cultural heritage.

12. Various answers

Could include: Shops (Macy's, Bloomingdales, Saks, FAO Schwarz); Landmarks (Empire State, Statue of Liberty, Brooklyn Bridge, Grand Central Station); Museums and Galleries (Metropolitan Museum of Art, MOMA, Natural History Museum, Guggenheim)