

Finding Florida



A Guided Journey Through
The Sunshine State



Hi!
My name is Morgan
and I am going on a
journey through
Florida!

Along the way,
I may need some help
finding hidden symbols and
learning cool facts.
Will you help me?
What's your name?

My Name is...

Count the Counties



There are...

...Counties!

Write how many counties there are in Florida. If you don't know, you can ask an adult for help!

We are going to visit Pensacola, Apalachicola, Tallahassee, St. Augustine, Cape Canaveral, Tampa, Fort Myers, the Everglades, and the Florida Keys!

Painting Pensacola

Our first stop is Pensacola in northwest Florida. Pensacola was the capital of West Florida when it was a territory.



The Pensacola lighthouse helps explorers on boats see how close or far they are from the shore.

Will you help me finish **coloring** this scene of Pensacola?

Ice Cream in Apalachicola

Next, we will pass through Apalachicola! Did you know that one of Florida's most famous inventors was from Apalachicola?

In 1851, Dr. John Gorrie invented a machine that could make ice. His invention led to the creation of the air conditioner. Dr. John Gorrie's invention can help us do all kinds of cool things, like make ice cream! Here's how to make your own ice cream. Be sure to ask an adult for help!

How to Make **ICE CREAM**



Ingredients

- Ice Cubes
- 1/2 Cup half-and-half
- 6 Tablespoons Kosher salt
- 3 Teaspoons sugar
- 1/2 Teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 Pint-size sealable bag
- 1 Gallon-size sealable bag

Directions

1. Fill a gallon-size bag half full with ice cubes. Add the salt.
2. Combine the half-and-half, sugar, and vanilla in the pint-size bag.
3. Place the smaller bag inside the bigger bag. Make sure the bags are both sealed tightly.
4. Shake, shake, shake for 5-10 minutes.
5. Enjoy! Yummy!

Mapping Out Florida

Tallahassee, The Capital of Florida!

So what's the difference between
Capital and Capitol?

Capital: The government headquarters of a state.
Capitol: A building that houses a government's
legislative branch.



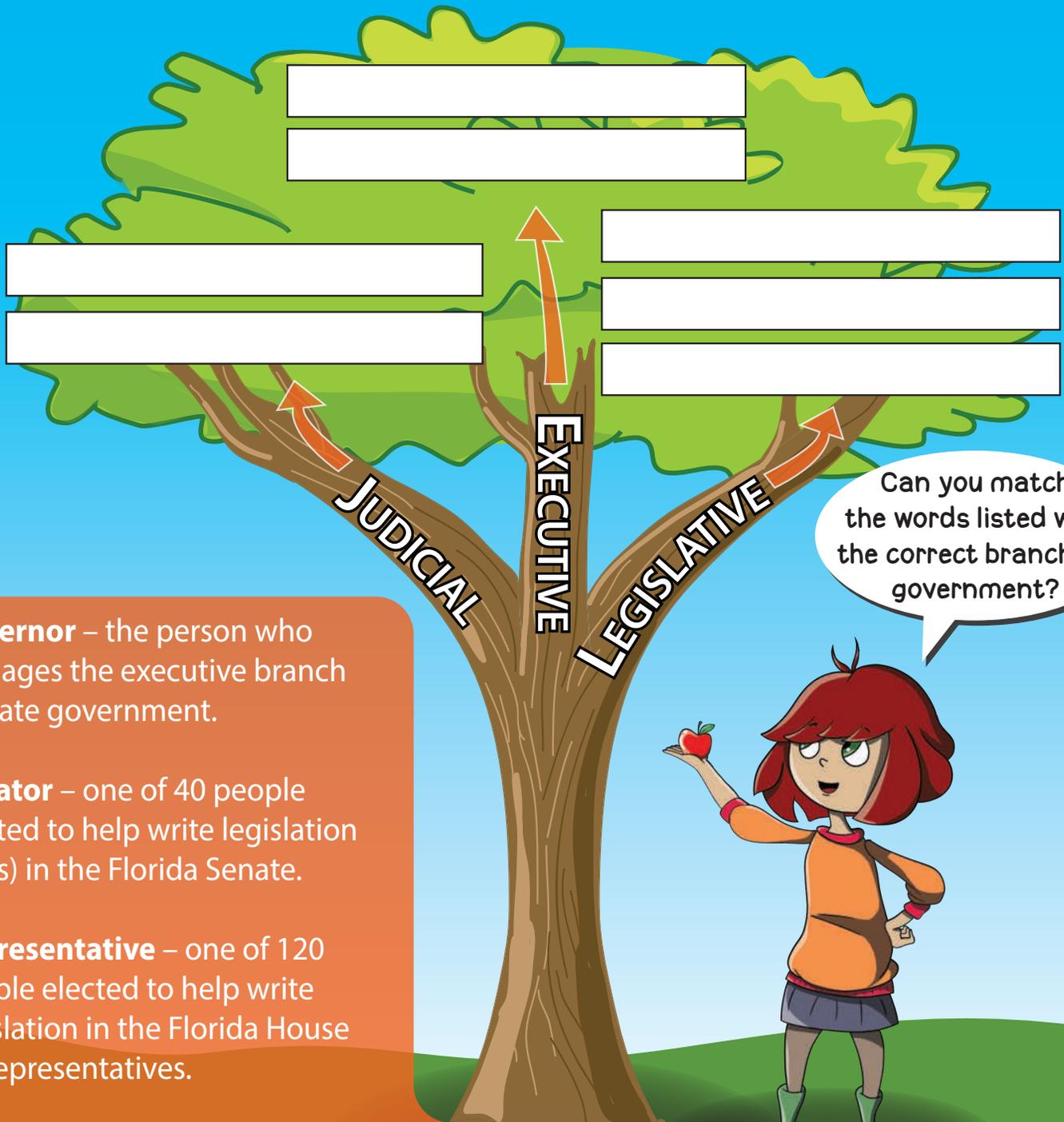
I live _____ miles from Tallahassee!

Spot the Difference

Circle the 10 differences in the pictures below of our Historic Capitol.



3 Branches of Government



Governor – the person who manages the executive branch of state government.

Senator – one of 40 people elected to help write legislation (laws) in the Florida Senate.

Representative – one of 120 people elected to help write legislation in the Florida House of Representatives.

Speaker of the House – the leader of the Florida House of Representatives.

Chief Financial Officer – the state executive who oversees Florida's accounting and monitors state funds.

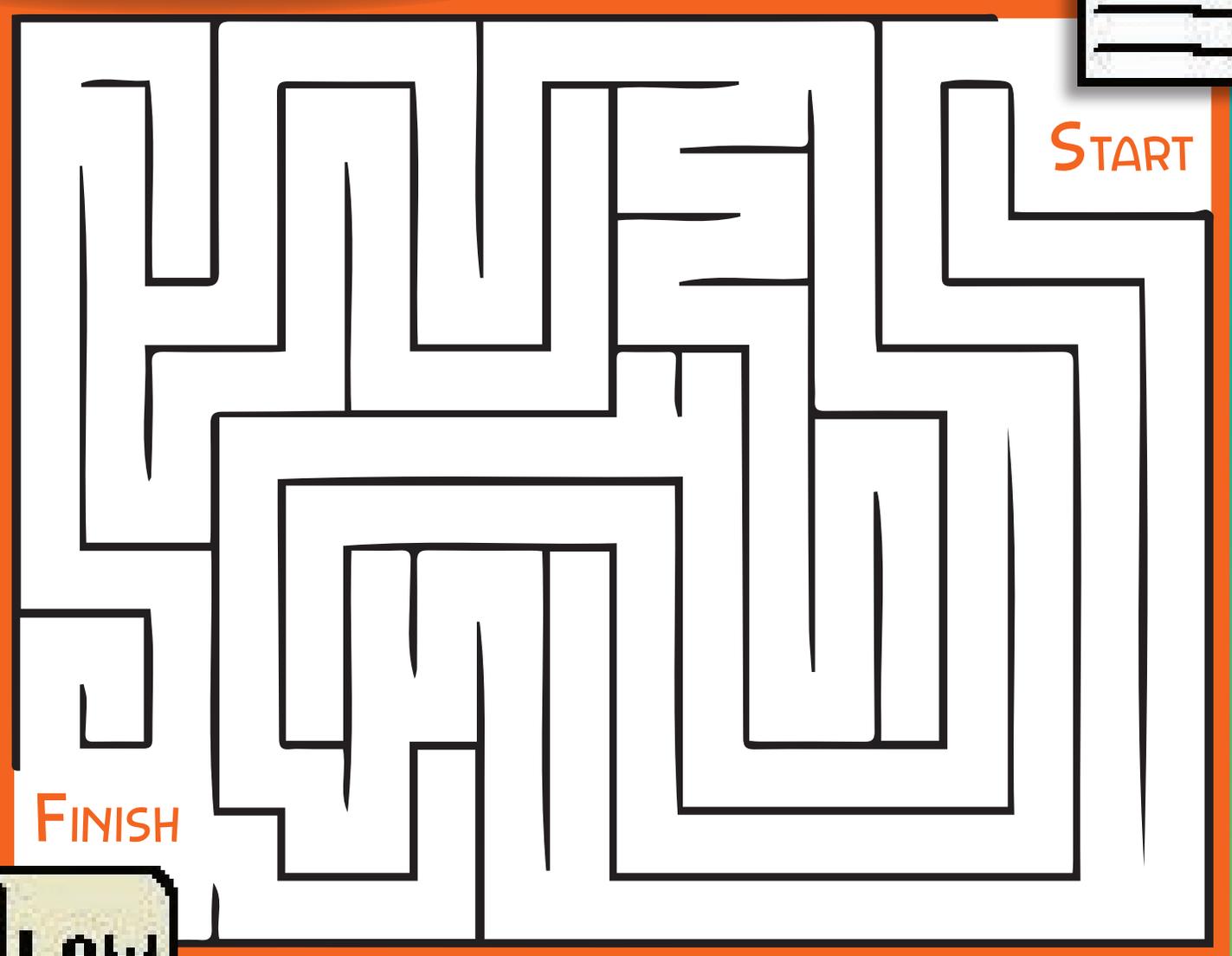
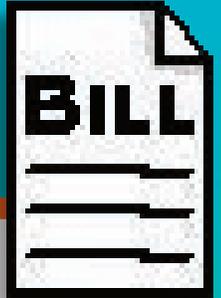
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court – the head judge of the Florida Supreme Court.

Circuit Court Judge – a judge that is elected by Florida citizens in a district.

Tallahassee Maze Running



The laws of Florida are written and passed in Tallahassee. The pathway for an idea to become a law can be very complicated. Will you help me pass my Bill?



You did it!
Now let's travel to...

St. Augustine and the East Coast Railway

Did you know...

St. Augustine was the capital of East Florida when it was just a territory.

St. Augustine is the oldest city in America! It was founded in 1565 by Pedro Menéndez de Avilés, a Spanish explorer.

One of Florida's most important pioneers was Henry Flagler, who lived in St. Augustine! Henry Flagler created the Florida East Coast Railway, which was the first railroad to connect Florida to the rest of the U.S. Can you help me finish coloring the train?



St. Augustine and Decoding Messages

Juan Ponce de León named our state "La Florida" based on what he saw when he arrived in 1513. Can you use the code below to find the meaning?



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

Cape Canaveral Trivia

Cape Canaveral is part of Florida's "Space Coast." It has been home to many rocket and shuttle launches in the U.S., with the first launch taking place back in 1950!



Did you know that moonstone is the state gem of Florida?

Cape Canaveral Unscramble



Mission Control needs your help to unscramble the words below before their next shuttle launch. Can you help them?

rtsa _____

nltape _____

hlunca _____

isoismn _____

krocte _____

lyxaga _____

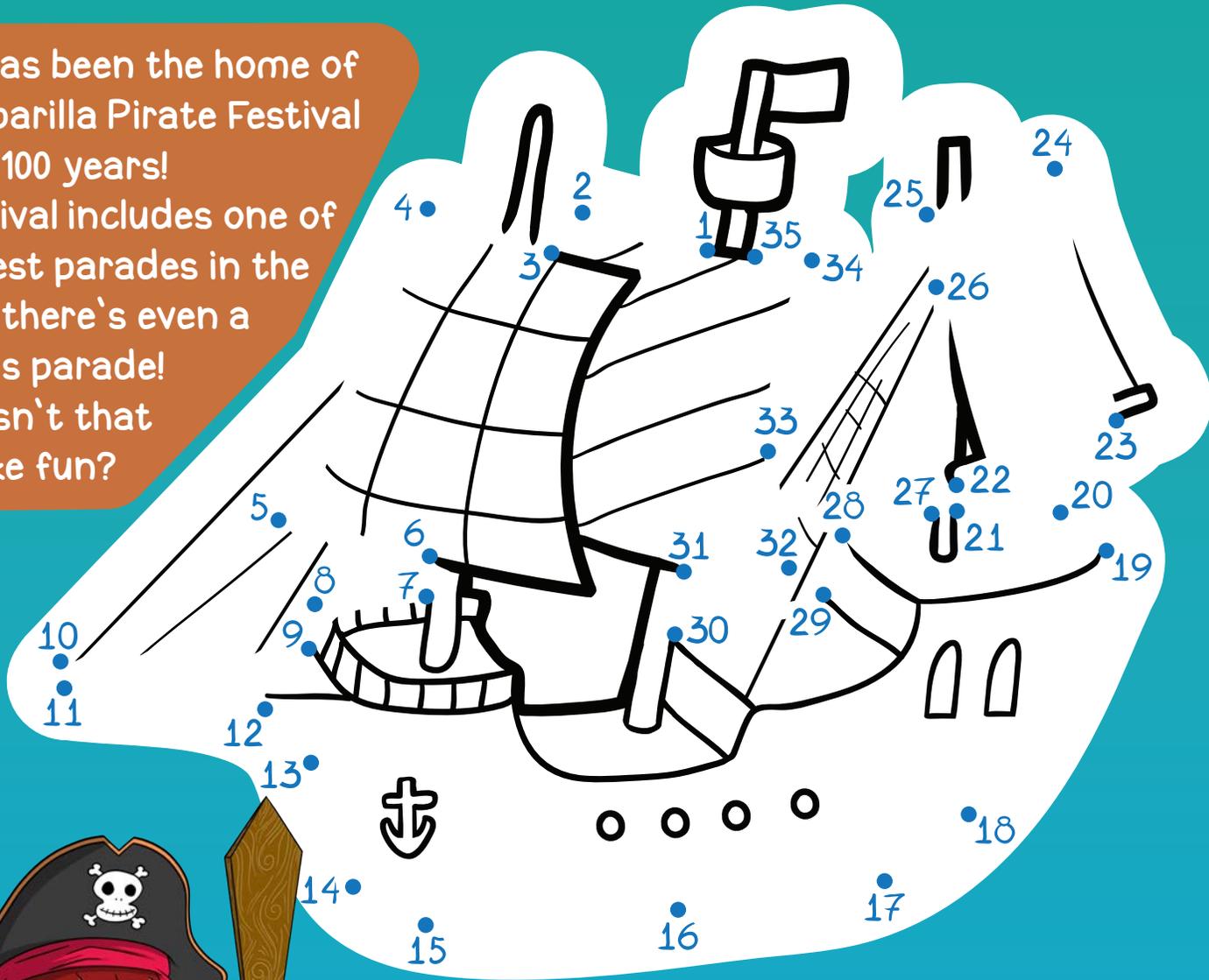
vrgiayt _____

uttsornaa _____

Great job! As they prepare to explore space, let's continue on our journey!

Tampa Connecting the Dots

Tampa has been the home of the Gasparilla Pirate Festival for over 100 years! The festival includes one of the largest parades in the U.S. and there's even a children's parade! Arr! Doesn't that sound like fun?



Arr!
It looks like this pirate ship is not complete! Will you help connect the dots so this pirate ship can set sail?

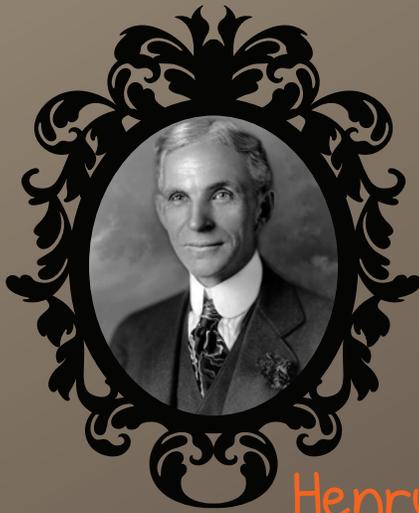
Fort Myers Matching

The next stop on our journey is Fort Myers, which is a major tourist destination!



Did you know that Henry Ford and Thomas Edison, 2 of America's most famous inventors, were neighbors in Fort Myers?

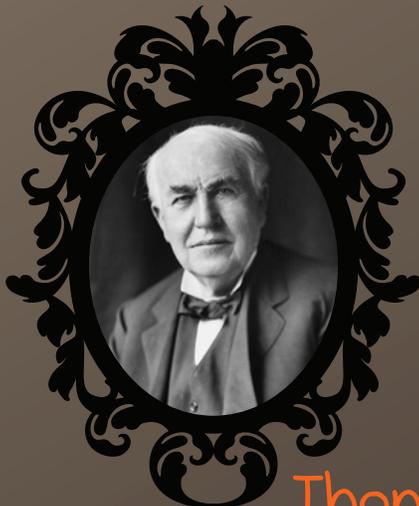
Can you follow the path of the inventor to their invention?



Henry Ford



Edison Lightbulb



Thomas Edison



Model T Ford



Great work!
Next on the agenda is...

Everglades Color by Number

The Everglades is a unique and complex habitat made up of swamps, tropical hardwood hammocks, and marine life.



Did you know that Everglades National Park is the 3rd largest park in the U.S.? It is visited by over 1 million people every year!

Can you color all of the wildlife in the Everglades by number?



Florida Keys Fill in the Blank

The last stop on our journey is The Keys!
Let's see how much you know about the Florida Keys.
Use the word bank below to fill in the blanks.

WORD BANK

archipelago

1,700

Key West

southernmost

Key Deer

Seven Mile Bridge

The Florida Keys are made up of about islands.

The land formation that makes The Keys is called an ,
which is a collection of islands.

The largest island in The Keys is .

Key West is the part of Florida.

The longest bridge connecting The Keys is called the .

The is a species of deer that can only be
found in The Keys.

Wow, you sure are a good explorer!

What was your favorite part of Florida that we explored?

What is 1 cool fact you learned?

Try the Word Search below to see if you remember all of the people, places, and things we discovered on our journey!

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J	W	C	F	C	Y	M	B	C	F	N	D	U	P	R	V	M	R	T	O

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Alligator
Moonstone
Legislator
Edison

Capitol
Capital
Pirate
Inventor
Florida

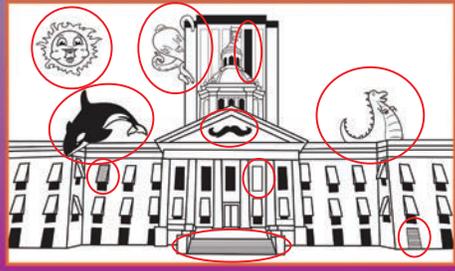
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Secretary
Gorrie
Archipelago

Mission Control
Gasparilla
Governor
Flagler

Executive
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Legislative
Lighthouse

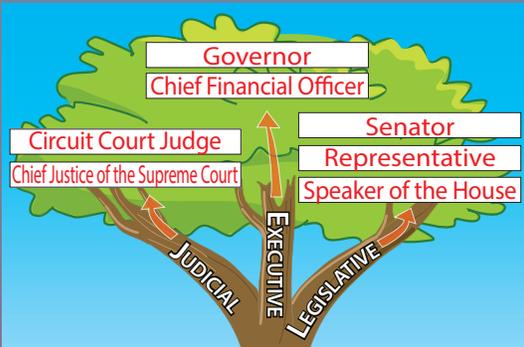
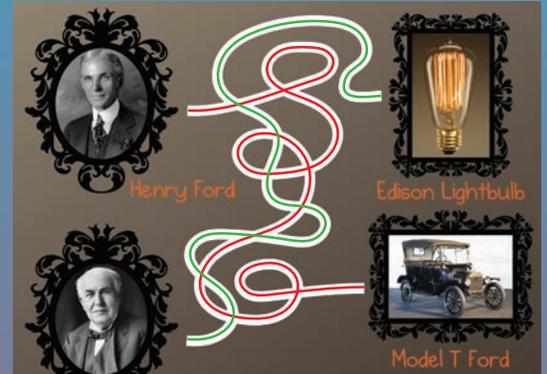
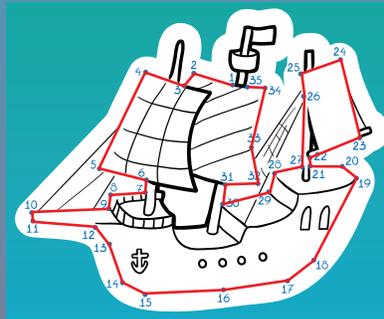
Check here to see if you answered all of the questions correctly.

There are...
67
...Counties!



rtsa star
nltape planet
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isoismn mission

krocte rocket
lyxaga galaxy
vrgiayt gravity
uttsonaa astronaut



The Florida Keys are made up of about **1,700** islands.

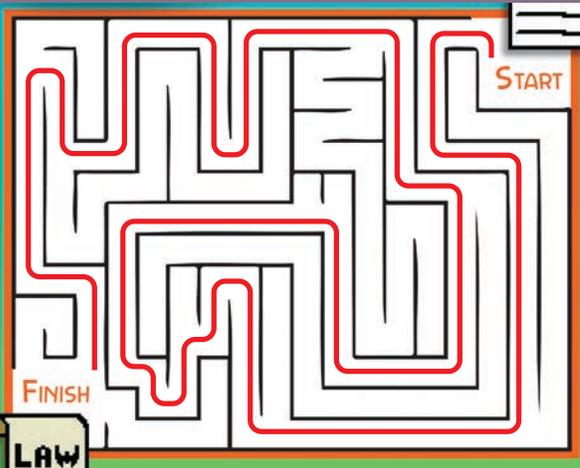
The land formation that makes The Keys is called an **archipelago**, which is a collection of islands.

The largest island in The Keys is **Key West**.

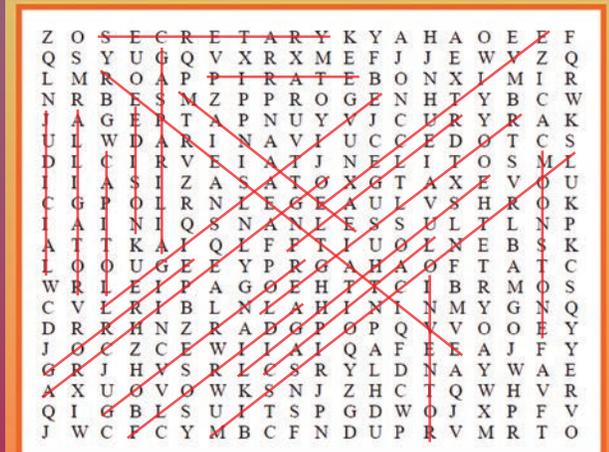
Key West is the **southernmost** part of Florida.

The longest bridge connecting The Keys is called the **Seven Mile Bridge**.

The **Key Deer** is a species of deer that can only be found in The Keys.



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