

Nebraska Sites on the National Register of Historic Places Scavenger Hunt Clues

Directions: Decipher the clues given below and then research to find the county, site name, and National Registry number.

Site #1

- (a) If you were going to list all of Nebraska's counties in alphabetical order, which county would be the first?
- (b) Find a house that was originally built in 1881, not of wood or brick but of something else from the earth. Hint: The nickname for these kinds of structures is "soddies."

Site #2

- (a) Find a county that is named after an animal that could also be called a gazelle, eland, impala, or kudu.
- (b) Find a building constructed in 1873 that used waterpower to make flour? Hint: It was built by the city's founder and named after him.

Site #3

- (a) What is the name of the "fruity" county in Nebraska?
- (b) Find and name a structure built in 1903 that "ring-a-dings" as it spans the Niobrara River.

Site #4

- (a) Think about a hit Broadway musical that raps its way through the Revolutionary War to find your next County.
- (b) Find the historic structure where hearings and trials were held and records were kept. Hint: It was built in 1895 and replaced two other buildings of its kind, one of which was destroyed by fire.

Site #5

- (a) Look down at your hands and make a fist—the feature that you see is the next county to explore.
- (b) The "sad" house you are looking for was built in 1898. Although it features a tower and is built in the Queen Anne style, there is no princess in residence.

Site #6

- (a) Find the county that means to evade, elude, sidestep, avoid. Hint: Think of a recess game where you try not to get hit by a ball?
- (b) Find the house that was built in 1874 and is now a museum—the Louis E. May Museum in Fremont. Hint: it was commissioned by Theron Nye.

Site #7

- (a) Find the county that is named after a U.S. Statesman from the 1800's. Hint: This gentleman was not responsible for writing the Merriam-Webster dictionary—that was Noah W.
- (b) Find a structure that was built in 1902-1903 and does not have any corners.

Site #8

- (a) Do not confuse this county with salt-water, brine, or seawater.
- (b) Find a structure that may be a good place to lay your head if you are a traveler, even if it was built way back in 1895.

Site #9

- (a) Find a county that shares its name with a house feature that is a passage between rooms.
- (b) Find a structure that was built in 1903 and would be a good place to check out a book.

Site #10

- (a) Find a county that would be good for planting vegetables.
- (b) Find a site that prehistoric and/or indigenous peoples used as a place to stay.

Site #11 *(use the Wikipedia website for this selection)*

- (a) What county was named after cities in Pennsylvania and England? Hint: It kind of rhymes with bandmaster, broadcaster, and forecaster.
- (b) What site's name in Lakota means "to rest" and has been a final resting place for Nebraskans since the 1800's; it is also home to the Holocaust Memorial, 911 Memorial, and Pershing Mural.

Site #12

- (a) Find a county that comes in handy if the doorbell is not working and you want to announce your presence at the door.
- (b) Find the structure that was built in 1907 for only \$37—and it looks like it! It is also a place that makes you want to stay out of trouble to avoid spending time there.

Site #13

- (a) Find a county that is named after a massive shaggy, horned animal that used to roam the plains of Nebraska before almost being hunted to extinction.
- (b) Find a site built in 1914 that once was a great place to catch a silent movie but now is a place to have a tooth pulled.

Site #14

- (a) Find a county that is big part of playing tag. Hint: It rhymes with race and place.
- (b) What site built in the 1880's has been a school, hotel, tourist camp, and bed and breakfast?

Site #15

- (a) Find a county whose name is the same as a house servant who answers the door and helps with meal service for the wealthy.

Find a structure finished in 1913 that a Soprano would like to visit