

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Nickname Nation Answer Key

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| 1. J | 6. E  |
| 2. H | 7. G  |
| 3. B | 8. I  |
| 4. A | 9. D  |
| 5. F | 10. C |

### Teacher's Guide

- Introduce students to the idea of state nicknames and explain how they often reflect history, geography, or culture.
- Read through the list of nicknames and discuss clue words such as Golden, Frontier, or Canyon.
- Encourage students to connect nicknames with what they already know about each state.

### Differentiation Tips

- Provide a simple map that includes well known state nicknames for support.
- Allow students to work in pairs if they need extra scaffolding.
- Challenge advanced learners to explain why each nickname fits its state.

### Engagement Ideas

- After matching, ask students to vote on which nickname they think is the most interesting.
- Have students choose one state and design a small poster that illustrates its nickname.

### Extension Activities

- Assign students to create a new nickname for a state and explain the reasoning behind it.
- Have students research one nickname and write a short paragraph telling how it originated.