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1. Body Of Water
2. Noun
3. Noun
4. Noun Plural
5. Noun
6. French Word
7. Noun Plural
8. Noun
9. Noun
10. Cool Word
11. Cool Word
12. Adjective
13. Noun
14. Noun
15. Body Part Plural
16. Noun
17. Adverb
18. Adjective Ends In Est
19. Noun Plural
20. Adjective
21. Verb Present Tense Modifying A Noun
22. Noun Plural
23. Noun

24. First Name Possessive

25. Noun

26. Last Name

27. Noun

28. Noun

29. Adjective Ends In Est

30. Noun

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## Des Moines, Iowa

This capital city is named after the Des Moines body of water, but no one is really sure how the name of the river originated, or whether the origin is French, Native American or some combination of the two. It's been alternately suggested that French meanings may be "Noun of the Noun" (des moines), although no Noun Plural lived there, or "Noun in the middle" (de French word), because it's between the Missouri and Mississippi Noun Plural.

The first mention of the name from a Noun was by a French Noun trader who wrote that Native Americans told him a tribe called the Cool Word (corrupted in French to "Cool Word") lived up the river. However, in a recent Adjective scholarly paper, one Noun claimed that the Native American meaning of that word is "Noun body part plural." Is it possible they were playing a little Noun on the fur trader? We'll never know. Des Moines became the state capital in 1857, and today the city Adverb has one of the Adjective Ends in EST state Noun Plural.

## Topeka, Kansas

Some say Topeka is from a Native American word meaning "a Adjective place to verb present tense modifying a noun Noun Plural." Others say it's a made-up word. What's known for certain is the city was

founded on Dec. 5, 1854, but no one could agree on a name at the time. Among the rejected options:

Noun

(after famous orator Daniel Webster), Mid-Continent (because of its geographical location) and

\_\_\_\_\_ First Name Possessive \_\_\_\_\_ Noun (in reference to the local \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name family, who had originally established a crossing over the Kansas \_\_\_\_\_ Noun at the site). We also know that the name \_\_\_\_\_ Noun, whatever its origins, ultimately won out. When Kansas became a state in 1861, Topeka was chosen as capital. Today, Topeka has one of the country's \_\_\_\_\_ Adjective Ends in EST \_\_\_\_\_ Noun parks.