

Landmark Detectives

Classify places shaped by nature or built by people.

SS.3.G.2.5 "Identify natural and man-made landmarks in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the Caribbean."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each natural landmark and circle each man-made landmark to show how each one was formed.

Landmarks Near and Far

- ① Landmarks tell stories about places. A natural landmark is formed by nature, while people build a man-made landmark. In the United States, the Grand Canyon in Arizona is a natural landmark. The Colorado River helped carve its deep rock walls over a very long time. The Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor is a man-made landmark. France gave the statue to the United States in 1886.
- ② In Canada, Niagara Falls is a natural landmark on the border with the United States. Water from the Great Lakes rushes over cliffs there. Toronto's CN Tower is a man-made landmark built for television and radio signals. In Mexico, Chichén Itzá is a man-made landmark. The ancient Maya built this city, including the pyramid called El Castillo. Copper Canyon in northern Mexico is a natural landmark with steep valleys.
- ③ The Caribbean has many islands and coastal places. In Saint Lucia, the Pitons are two steep volcanic peaks, so they are natural landmarks. On the island of St. Kitts, Brimstone Hill Fortress is a man-made landmark. People built the stone fortress during the 1600s and 1700s. When you identify a landmark, ask, "Did nature form it, or did people build it?" This question helps you sort landmarks.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Name the natural landmark and the man-made landmark in the United States.

2 What kind of landmark is Niagara Falls? What kind is the CN Tower?

3 Name the natural landmark and the man-made landmark in Mexico.

4 How are the Pitons and Brimstone Hill Fortress different?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Draw one natural landmark and one man-made landmark that you know. Label each drawing, then write one sentence telling how each landmark was formed or built.

	
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PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each natural landmark and circle each man-made landmark to show how each one was formed. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Name the natural landmark and the man-made landmark in the United States.	Natural: Grand Canyon. Man-made: Statue of Liberty.
2	What kind of landmark is Niagara Falls? What kind is the CN Tower?	Niagara Falls is natural. The CN Tower is man-made.
3	Name the natural landmark and the man-made landmark in Mexico.	Natural: Copper Canyon. Man-made: Chichén Itzá.
4	How are the Pitons and Brimstone Hill Fortress different?	The Pitons are natural volcanic peaks. Brimstone Hill Fortress is man-made because people built it.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Natural landmark: Mount Rainier. Nature formed this mountain through volcanic activity. Man-made landmark: Space Needle. People built this tower in Seattle.

Accept the stated landmark names and correct natural or man-made classifications from the passage. For Your Turn, accept any accurate pair with clear labels and an explanation that nature formed one landmark and people built the other.