

Yellowstone's Big Story

Connect a park's land features to its history.

2.12.c "Yellowstone National Park."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the words that tell about Yellowstone's land and water. Circle the sentence that tells what happened in 1872.

A Special Park

- ① Yellowstone National Park is mostly in Wyoming, in the northwest part of the United States. Small parts reach into Montana and Idaho. The park has mountains, forests, rivers, and a huge volcano area under the ground. These land features help make Yellowstone a special landmark.
- ② For a long time, Native American people traveled through this area. In 1872, the United States made Yellowstone a national park. It became the first national park in the world. This historic event helped protect its land, water, plants, and animals.
- ③ Yellowstone has hot springs and geysers because heat below ground warms water. Old Faithful is a famous geyser in the park. Its eruptions show how Yellowstone's geography creates landmarks that people visit and want to protect.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

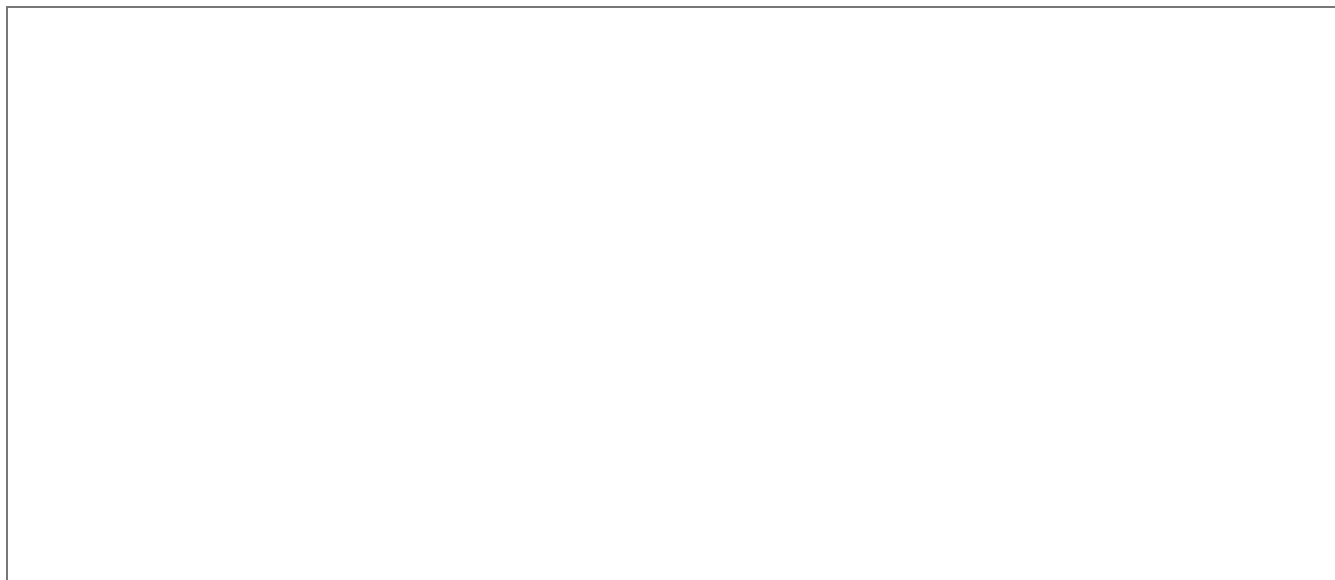
1 Which three states have parts of Yellowstone National Park?

2 What causes geysers such as Old Faithful in Yellowstone?

3 How did the 1872 event help Yellowstone?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Choose a land or water feature named in the passage, but do not choose Old Faithful. Draw it in the box, then write one sentence that explains why it helps make Yellowstone a special landmark.



PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the words that tell about Yellowstone's land and water. Circle the sentence that tells what happened in 1872. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which three states have parts of Yellowstone National Park?	Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho.
2	What causes geysers such as Old Faithful in Yellowstone?	Heat below the ground warms water, causing geysers.
3	How did the 1872 event help Yellowstone?	The United States made Yellowstone a national park, which helped protect its land, water, plants, and animals.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Drawing: A river flowing between mountains. Sentence: A river helps make Yellowstone a special landmark because it is one of the park's land features.

Accept the three states in any order. For the drawing and sentence, accept any named Yellowstone feature other than Old Faithful if the sentence links it to Yellowstone being special.