

# New York FUN FACTS

- Albany became the state capital in 1797. Kingston was the first capital in 1777.
- Approximately 75,000 gallons of water go over the New York sections of Niagara Falls every second.
- New York State has 62 counties and 62 cities, but there isn't a city in every county.
- New York has over 70,000 miles of rivers and streams.
- The Hudson River is the state's longest river, spanning 315 miles.
- Adirondack Park is larger than Yellowstone, Yosemite, the Grand Canyon and Glacier parks combined.

## Did you know?

The first election for governor was between Philip Schuyler and George Clinton in 1777. Clinton won and served as governor for the next 18 years.



# What is the ASSEMBLY?

The Assembly is one part of New York State's bicameral legislature, which passes bills and enacts laws that help people throughout New York. It is also known as the People's House. There are 150 members in the Assembly, representing 150 different parts of the state called districts.

## Did you know?

A bicameral legislature means a legislature made up of two houses or chambers.



Every year, the Assembly meets in Albany for a legislative session. The Assembly gathers in a room called the Assembly Chamber in the New York State Capitol.

Questions? Concerns? I'm here to help!

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# New York State Assembly ACTIVITY PAGE

Did you know?  
New York State's motto is **Excelsior**, which means **Ever Upward**.



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## JUMBLE

The words below are all scrambled up. Can you figure them out? All of the answers can be found on this activity page.

1. BYNALA

2. RAGTEN

3. URTOT

4. CKONDARAIDS

5. EAS      RIONPOSC

6. GIANAAR      SLAFL

7. KTGSNINO

8. HSODUN      RERVI

9. AYB      PALOCSL

10. GNAPSIPN      LETTUR

Answers: 1. ALBANY 2. GARNET 3. TROUT 4. ADIRONDACKS 5. SEA SCALLOP 6. NINE-SPOTTED LADYBUG 7. KINGSTON 8. HUDSON RIVER 9. BAY SCALLOP 10. SNAPPING TURTLE

## New York

# STATE SYMBOLS

New York's state symbols pay tribute to a species or product of great importance to the state. Since 1955, New York has adopted 17 official state symbols.

- Our state animal: **BEAVER**
- Our state flower: **ROSE**
- Our state drink: **MILK**
- Our state tree: **SUGAR MAPLE**
- Our state gem: **GARNET**
- Our state marine or saltwater fish: **STRIPED BASS**
- Our state bird: **EASTERN BLUEBIRD**
- Our state fruit: **APPLE**
- Our state dog: **WORKING DOG**
- Our state bush: **LILAC**
- Our state shell: **BAY SCALLOP**
- Our state fossil: **EURYPTERUS REMIPES**, an extinct marine arthropod also known as a sea scorpion
- Our state reptile: **COMMON SNAPPING TURTLE**
- Our state snack: **YOGURT**
- Our state insect: **NINE-SPOTTED LADYBUG**
- Our state muffin: **APPLE MUFFIN**
- Our state freshwater fish: **BROOK TROUT**

## WORD SEARCH

The following words are hiding in this puzzle:  
 Assembly   Beaver   Bill   Bluebird   Capitol  
 Ladybug   Law   Milk   Rose   Speaker

Y	L	B	M	E	S	S	A	S	G	F	J
J	W	D	J	K	S	M	P	R	U	A	R
B	U	F	R	O	F	E	M	A	B	W	G
W	J	H	S	I	A	A	H	H	Y	Z	V
E	I	H	W	K	B	E	F	X	D	F	I
H	T	J	E	E	U	E	H	C	A	K	L
V	I	R	S	I	L	Y	U	B	L	O	V
X	A	O	I	B	A	D	S	L	T	G	Q
B	R	V	Y	W	W	X	N	I	B	L	Q
L	I	M	I	L	K	N	P	D	J	H	D
C	D	L	V	J	Z	A	B	E	L	V	W
F	L	W	L	U	C	R	E	V	A	E	B

## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you spot seven differences between these two pictures of New York's state bird?

