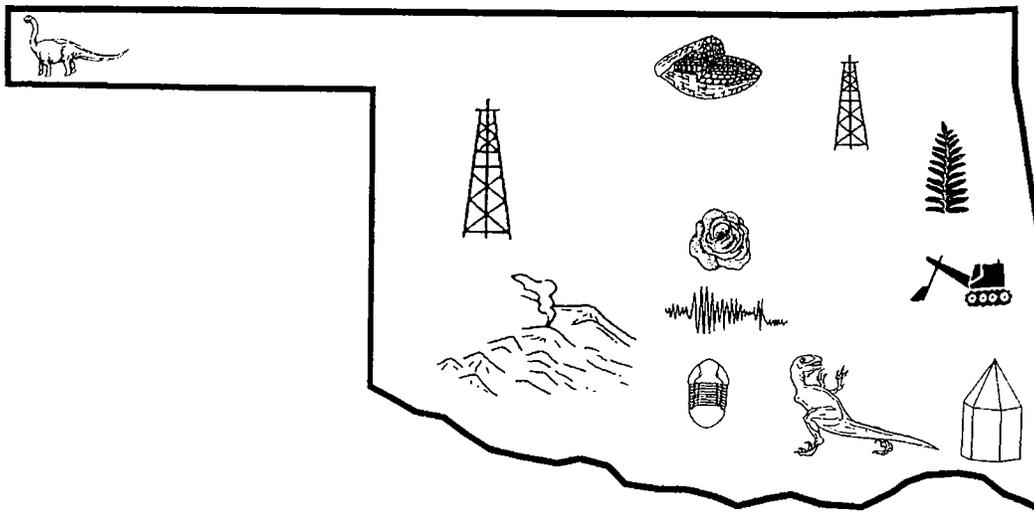




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# OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY



**Activity Sheets for EARTH-SCIENCE TEACHERS  
and STUDENTS**

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# Introduction

The primary objective of this resource is to expose more teachers and students to the earth science/geology of Oklahoma through educational activities that include crossword puzzles, word searches, word unscrambles, geodetective clues, and the matching of clues with pictures. Although this resource is not an exhaustive text on the geology of Oklahoma, it contains sufficient basic information on earth-science concepts and facts to provide a foundation for a beginner to ask, as well as answer, some questions about the geology of Oklahoma.

The activities differ in difficulty and complexity to provide for a variety of ability levels and thinking skills of students. Some of the information is repeated within the different activity formats for the purpose of emphasis and learning from repetition. It is hoped that the variable activity formats used to present some basic concepts and facts of earth science will facilitate the learning process.

Some teachers may choose to simplify or amplify an activity or merely use the information in a classroom discussion or laboratory. Initiating inquiry-based hands-on activities is not the objective of this resource. It is the teachers' responsibility to use their own discretion in creating and maintaining inquiry-based hands-on activities at whatever point they consider important in the learning process.

## **Earth-science topics covered about Oklahoma include:**

Minerals and rocks	Everyday use of resources
General geology	Nonfuel and fuel resources
Arbuckle Mountains	Energy facts
Ouachita Mountains	Oil trivia
Wichita Mountains	State parks
Earthquakes	Invertebrate fossils
Water resources	Dinosaurs

A common question science teachers hear from their students on a daily basis is, "Why do I have to know this information, and how will I ever use it in the future?" This resource was created to help you answer that question, we hope, to your students' satisfaction. The truth is that earth-science issues are a part of the everyday world. As long as we are inhabitants of our Earth, we must have an understanding interest and knowledge not only about the planet on which we live but also about the State in which we reside! For example:

- "What minerals and rocks can be found in Oklahoma, and what role do they play in the making of a pencil, a bicycle, a house, an automobile, a computer, and a light bulb?"
- "What important role do fuel resources of Oklahoma play in the State's economy?"
- "Why do many house foundations crack in Oklahoma?"
- "Why should we restrict urban development in flood-prone areas?"
- "Do we have enough ground water to meet our present and future needs?"

- “How does ground water become polluted?”
- “How does the United States’ dependence on foreign-imported oil affect the oil industry in Oklahoma?”
- “What observations can we make about the past geologic history of our State from examining the fossil record?”
- “How can we identify and extract fuel and nonfuel resources in an environmentally friendly manner?”

These questions should help to make clear that earth science includes human activity, and that the search for the understanding of nature is an ongoing, open-ended process in which not only teachers and students but also the general citizenry can and must participate. All of these questions can be addressed and answered only with a well-informed and literate government and citizenry in the earth sciences that can make intelligent political and economic decisions that affect people on local, regional, and global levels. It is important that everyone must study and understand basic geologic concepts and Earth systems. The understanding of how to interact with an Earth that provides our natural resources will always be an important component of what sets our citizens free.

Word lists are provided for the crossword puzzles and geodetective activities at the bottoms of the pages. Teachers may choose to make the activities more challenging for the students by blocking out or removing the word lists. Answer keys for all activities are provided for the teacher. The concepts and activities are targeted for teachers and students in grades 6–12, but several may be adapted for younger or older learners.

The learning process can be fun. I hope the students enjoy the different activities. While simple and fun, these activities can be used to help students develop a basic understanding and appreciation of earth-science concepts in their daily lives.

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## MINERALS AND ROCKS OF OKLAHOMA

### Across

- 1 Black Mesa in Cimarron County is capped by a lava flow composed of the igneous rock called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 The mineral \_\_\_\_\_ is the chief ore of zinc and was once mined in the lead-zinc district of northeastern Oklahoma.
- 5 This rock is one of the few types of metamorphic rocks known in Oklahoma. It was derived from sandstone and occurs only in the Wichita Mountains. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Thick beds of this clastic sedimentary rock composed mainly of quartz-sand grains have been worked in the Arbuckle Mountains region as a source of high-purity silica sand for glass making. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 In the Wichita Mountains are many pink intrusive igneous rocks called \_\_\_\_\_, which are quarried for monuments and building stone.
- 9 Most of the red color in Permian-age rocks in Oklahoma is caused by the mineral \_\_\_\_\_, which has been quarried in the past to make a red paint pigment.
- 11 This volcanic igneous rock has a similar composition to granite, but a finer texture than granite, and occurs in the Wichita and Arbuckle Mountains. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 The biochemical sedimentary rock called \_\_\_\_\_, composed primarily of plant material, is an important fossil fuel used to generate electricity.
- 15 The rock \_\_\_\_\_ (or flint) is common in the Ouachita and Arbuckle Mountains and in the Ozark region, where it was used by Paleoindians to make spear points, knives, axes, and scrapers.
- 16 The mineral \_\_\_\_\_ is the chief ore of lead. It occurs in Oklahoma as an ore in the lead-zinc district of Ottawa County.
- 17 The mineral \_\_\_\_\_ is ranked no. 2 on Moh's scale of hardness and is extensively quarried in western Oklahoma for wallboard, plaster of Paris, and soil conditioner.

### Down

- 1 The official State rock of Oklahoma is the rose rock, composed of the mineral \_\_\_\_\_, which is used in drilling mud.
- 2 This fine-grained clastic sedimentary rock is composed primarily of clay minerals and quartz and is the raw material for brick, tile, pottery, and the manufacture of cement. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 These types of rocks contain all of the gas, oil, and coal deposits of the State. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 The chemical sedimentary rock called \_\_\_\_\_ is used for making portland cement, agricultural lime, and crushed stone.
- 5 The mineral \_\_\_\_\_, with a hardness of 7 on Moh's scale of hardness, is common in the Ouachita Mountains and is used primarily for glass making.
- 7 A dark-colored, coarse-grained intrusive igneous rock found in the Wichita Mountains. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 The mineral \_\_\_\_\_ is the most important constituent of limestone found in many parts of Oklahoma. A drop of dilute hydrochloric acid applied to this mineral will cause the mineral to bubble or fizz vigorously.
- 12 Thick deposits of this mineral can be found underground in western Oklahoma. This mineral is common table salt and is also used to remove ice from roadways. \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 The oldest rocks exposed at the surface in Oklahoma are in the eastern Arbuckle Mountains and are classified as \_\_\_\_\_ rocks.

SPHALERITE	QUARTZITE	HALITE	COAL
SHALE	QUARTZ	GYPSUM	CHERT
SEDIMENTARY	LIMESTONE	GRANITES	CALCITE
SANDSTONE	IGNEOUS	GALENA	BASALT
RHOLITE	HEMATITE	GABBRO	BARITE

Some of the words may be used more than once.

WORD LIST

# MINERALS AND ROCKS OF OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

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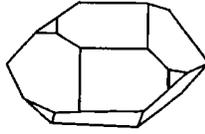
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**CALCITE**



**QUARTZ**

## MINERALS AND ROCKS OF OKLAHOMA—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to minerals and rocks of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to minerals and rocks of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

BARITE  
BASALT  
CALCITE  
CHERT  
COAL  
GABBRO  
GALENA

GRANITES  
GYPSUM  
HALITE  
HEMATITE  
IGNEOUS  
LIMESTONE  
QUARTZ

QUARTZITE  
RHYOLITE  
SANDSTONE  
SEDIMENTARY  
SHALE  
SPHALERITE

## GENERAL GEOLOGY OF OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 2 The \_\_\_\_\_ was declared the official State rock of Oklahoma in 1968.
- 6 Oklahoma is divided into 22 geomorphic (physiographic) provinces based on \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Flat-topped erosional remnant of Tertiary basaltic lava flow extruded from volcanoes in Colorado. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Most of the red beds that crop out in north-central and central Oklahoma are \_\_\_\_\_ in age.
- 10 Rich Mountain (elevation, 2,800 feet) is the highest point in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains of southeastern Oklahoma.
- 11 Sandstone is a type of sedimentary rock formed by the cementation of sand grains composed mostly of this mineral. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 The major mountain belts of Oklahoma occur in the southern third of the State and were formed from faulting and folding primarily during the \_\_\_\_\_ Period of geologic time.
- 16 Limestone is a sedimentary rock composed mostly of this mineral. \_\_\_\_\_
- 17 The oldest rocks on Oklahoma are \_\_\_\_\_ in origin.
- 19 Rocks of \_\_\_\_\_ age are the most important to us, since they crop out over more than 95% of Oklahoma.
- 23 The \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains contain the most diverse suite of mineral resources in Oklahoma.
- 24 The \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains in southeastern Oklahoma represent the central part of a great chain of mountains that include the Appalachian Mountains of the eastern United States and the Marathon Mountains of west Texas and northern Mexico.

**Down**

- 1 The oldest rocks in Oklahoma are granites 1.3 billion years old, found in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.
- 3 Most of the surface rocks in Oklahoma are classified as \_\_\_\_\_ rocks.
- 4 The central Oklahoma region (Noble–Norman area) has become famous for the collecting of \_\_\_\_\_ from Permian-age sedimentary rocks.
- 5 Mt. Scott is the best-known peak in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.
- 8 A scientist who studies the Earth’s materials, surface features, and history is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 13 An upward-bent (convex) fold of the Earth’s crust commonly associated with oil and gas deposits in Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 Continental glaciers during the “Great Ice Age” extended from Canada southward only as far as northeastern \_\_\_\_\_.
- 15 A sedimentary rock commonly collected by Native American Indians to make arrowheads, spear points, and tools. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 The highest elevation (4,973 feet) in Oklahoma is found at \_\_\_\_\_.
- 20 Geologically, \_\_\_\_\_ lies in the Ardmore basin, a basin filled with rocks of Precambrian to Permian ages.
- 21 One of the most spectacular exposures of lower Paleozoic rocks in the world occurs along Interstate Highway 35 in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.
- 22 The word \_\_\_\_\_ means “of fire” or “born of fire” and is applied to all rocks that have cooled from magma or lava.
- 23 “Tombstone topography,” consisting of steeply dipping limestone beds, is a significant geologic feature seen in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.
- 25 The largest exposure of igneous rocks in Oklahoma is in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.
- 26 Rocks of this geologic era contain practically all of the fuel and nonfuel resources in the State.

QUARTZ      PALEOZOIC      KANSAS      FLINT      ARBUCKLE  
 ROSE ROCKS      PENNSYLVANIAN      LAKE MURRAY      GEOLOGIST      ANTICLINE  
 SEDIMENTARY      PERMIAN      LANDFORMS      IGNEOUS      BLACK MESA  
 WICHITA      OUACHITA      CALCITE

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

# GENERAL GEOLOGY OF OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

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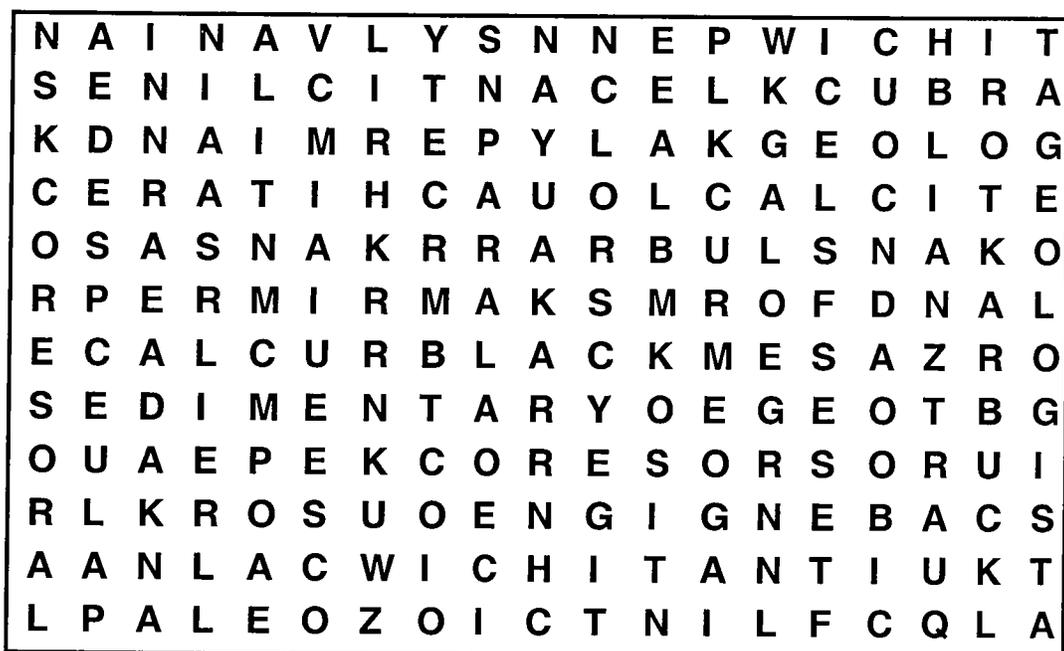
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Anticline

## GENERAL GEOLOGY OF OKLAHOMA—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to the general geology of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to the general geology of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ARBUCKLE  
ANTICLINE  
BLACK MESA  
CALCITE  
FLINT  
GEOLOGIST

IGNEOUS  
KANSAS  
LAKE MURRAY  
LANDFORMS  
OUACHITA  
PALEOZOIC

PENNSYLVANIAN  
PERMIAN  
QUARTZ  
ROSE ROCK  
SEDIMENTARY  
WICHITA

## A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—Crossword Puzzle (Part 1)

**Across**

- 2 The most severe storms in Oklahoma consist of violently, vertically rotating columns of air called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 The largest active oil refinery in Oklahoma is located in this city. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Shannon Lucid from Bethany, Oklahoma, was an \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11 More than 95% of the surface of Oklahoma is covered with \_\_\_\_\_ rocks.
- 13 This geologic agent is most responsible for changing the surface of the State of Oklahoma \_\_\_\_\_.
- 14 This sedimentary rock was collected by Native American Indians to make arrowheads, spear points, and scraping tools. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 Currently in Oklahoma there are no active \_\_\_\_\_.
- 17 Coal deposits in Oklahoma were formed from the accumulation of \_\_\_\_\_ in swamps and marshy areas.
- 18 Each year in Oklahoma tons of rocks are broken up or worn away by water, air, and living things. This process is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 21 This important natural resource is often removed and carried to a new place by natural processes when severe flooding occurs in Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_
- 22 The central Oklahoma area (Noble–Norman) has become famous for the collecting of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 24 The igneous rock granite can be seen in Oklahoma in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.

**Down**

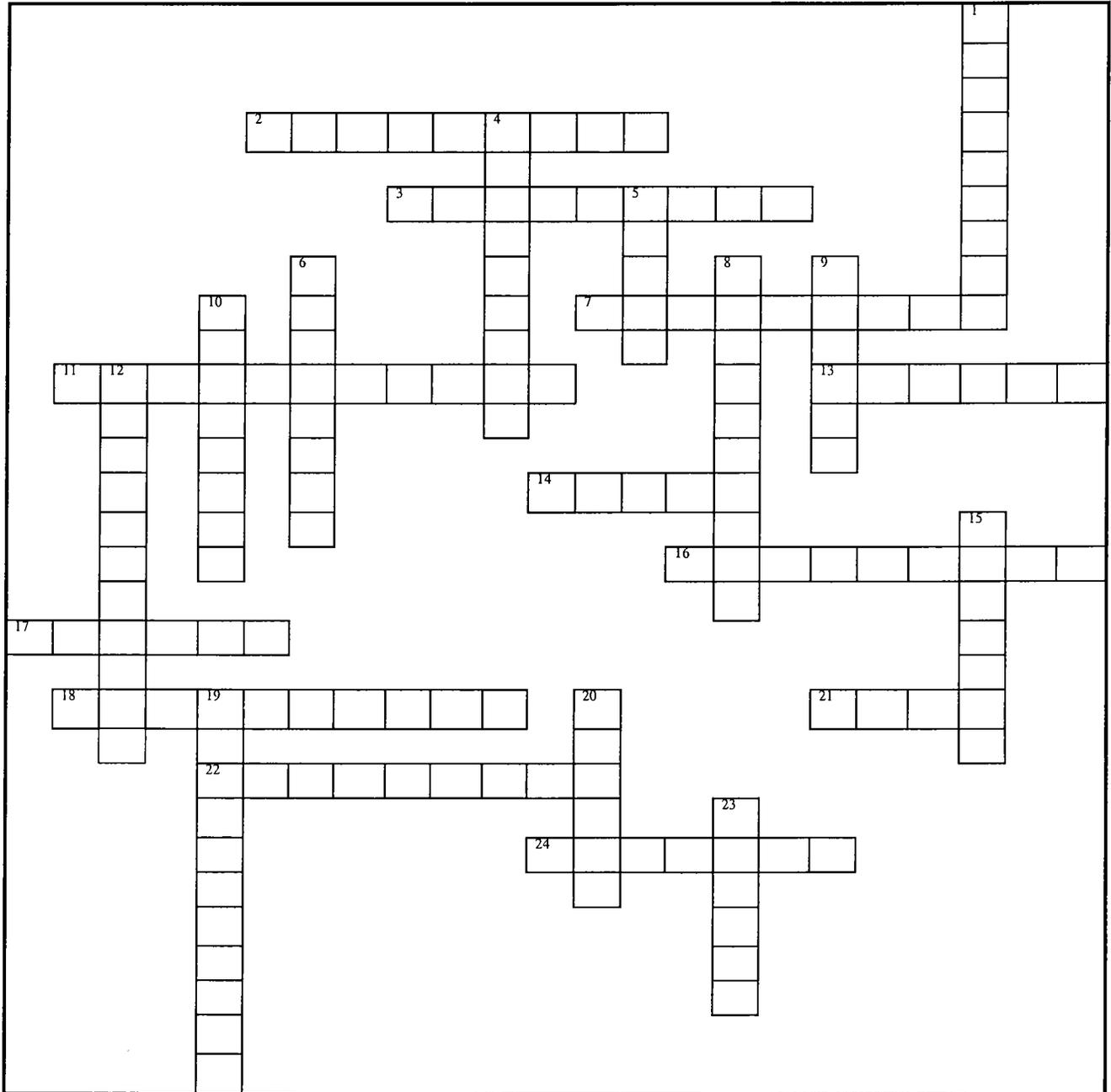
- 1 Name for scientist who studies the Earth’s materials, surface features, and history. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 These large vertebrate animals lived in southeastern Oklahoma during the Cretaceous Period, between 100 and 110 million years ago. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The outer, thinnest layer of the Earth we live on in Oklahoma is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 The \_\_\_\_\_ was declared the official State rock of Oklahoma in 1968.
- 8 In western Oklahoma, farmers and ranchers must provide water for their crops when there is little rainfall. This process is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 Coal, natural gas, and oil are important natural fuel resources produced in Oklahoma to supply \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 In Oklahoma, more erosion (movement of rock and soil) occurs in the spring than in the summer because of greater amounts of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 12 In southern Oklahoma, periodic vibrations occur in the Earth’s crust. These vibrations are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 15 Remains or traces of animals and plants found preserved in sedimentary rocks of Oklahoma are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 19 One of the most impressive waterfalls in Oklahoma, with a vertical fall of about 77 feet, can be seen at \_\_\_\_\_.
- 20 The official State \_\_\_\_\_ of Oklahoma is a Jurassic-age dinosaur.
- 23 Reclamation is the process of restoring the land to its original condition after surface \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma.

WICHITA WEATHERING VOLCANOES TURNER FALLS TORNADOES SOIL	SEDIMENTARY ROSE ROCKS ROSE ROCK RIVERS RAINFALL PONCA CITY	PLANTS MINING IRRIGATION GEOLOGIST FOSSILS FOSSIL	FLINT ENERGY EARTHQUAKES DINOSAURS CRUST ASTRONAUT
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Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

# A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—Crossword Puzzle (Part 1)



## A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—Word Search (Part 1)

Look for the words below, all related to the geology of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to the geology of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ASTRONAUT  
CRUST  
DINOSAURS  
EARTHQUAKE  
ENERGY  
FLINT  
FOSSIL  
FOSSILS

GEOLOGIST  
IRRIGATION  
MINING  
PLANTS  
PONCA CITY  
RAINFALL  
RIVERS  
ROSE ROCK

ROSE ROCKS  
SEDIMENTARY  
SOIL  
TORNADOES  
TURNER FALLS  
VOLCANOES  
WEATHERING  
WICHITA

**A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—Crossword Puzzle  
(Part 2)**

**Across**

- 1 A reading from at least three or more seismograph stations is needed to locate an earthquake's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 To be preserved as fossils, plants and animals must be buried rapidly by \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 What herbivorous dinosaurs ate. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 The name for the actual location of an earthquake below the Earth's surface. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 About 80% of all volcanic and earthquake activity in the world occurs in and around the \_\_\_\_\_ Ocean.
- 11 The Mesozoic Era of geologic time is known as the age of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 12 The average number of earthquakes reported felt each year in Oklahoma is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 13 Fossils are found most commonly in \_\_\_\_\_ rocks.
- 15 This State park in Oklahoma was famous as a former hideout for outlaws. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 Alabaster Caverns in Woodward County is the largest commercial gypsum \_\_\_\_\_ in North America.
- 18 The word \_\_\_\_\_ means "of fire" or "born of fire" and is applied to all rocks that have cooled from magma or lava.
- 19 Most earthquakes originate at \_\_\_\_\_ boundaries.
- 20 The largest fault in North America is located primarily in California and is called the \_\_\_\_\_ fault.

**Down**

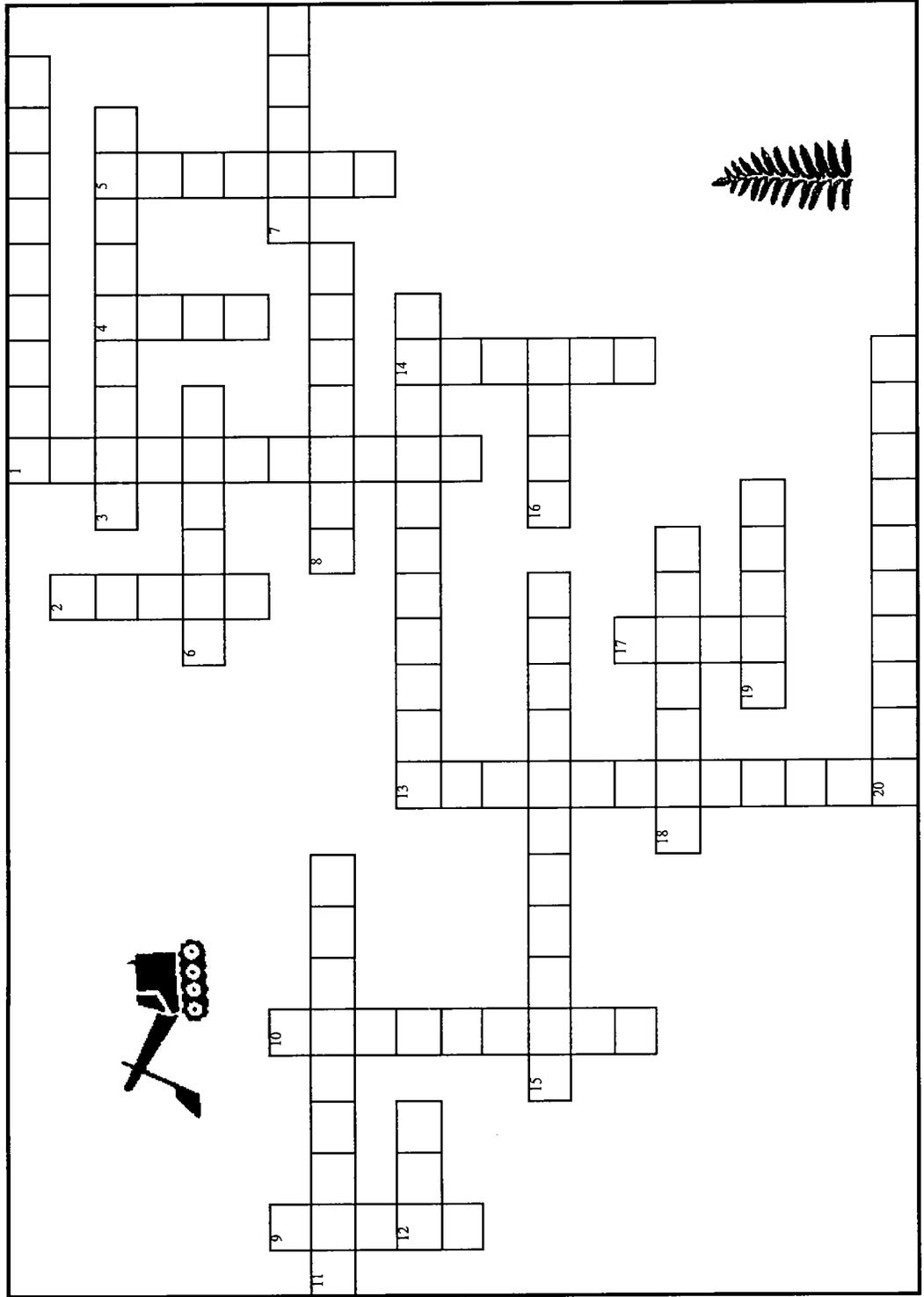
- 1 Coal in Oklahoma is used primarily for the generation of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 A surface or zone of rock fracture along which there has been movement is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 The Earth's largest satellite, which experiences about 3,000 "quakes" per year. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Name for shaking of the ground that is felt just before an earthquake. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Approximate number of earthquakes recorded in Oklahoma each year. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Robbers Cave State Park near Wilburton, Oklahoma, is unique in that caves are developed in the sedimentary rock called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 13 Instruments designed to record earthquake waves are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 14 In Oklahoma, the primary cause of erosion (movement of weathered material) is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 17 A fuel resource in Oklahoma that may cause acid-mine drainage is \_\_\_\_\_.

SANDSTONE	MOON	CAVE
SEDIMENTARY	IGNEOUS	DINOSAURS
SEDIMENTS	PACIFIC	ELECTRICITY
SEISMOGRAPHS	PLANTS	EPICENTER
TREMORS	PLATE	FAULT
TWO	RIVERS	FIFTY
	ROBBERS CAVE	FOCUS
	SAN ANDREAS	

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

# A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—Crossword Puzzle (Part 2)



## A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—Word Search (Part 2)

Look for the words below, all related to the geology of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to the geology of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

CAVE  
COAL  
DINOSAURS  
ELECTRICITY  
EPICENTER  
FAULT  
FIFTY  
FOCUS

IGNEOUS  
MOON  
PACIFIC  
PLANTS  
PLATE  
RIVERS  
ROBBERS CAVE  
SAN ANDREAS

SANDSTONE  
SEDIMENTARY  
SEDIMENTS  
SEISMOGRAPH  
TREMORS  
TWO

## ARBUCKLE MOUNTAINS—Crossword Puzzle

### Across

- 2 The oldest rocks in the Arbuckle Mountain region are \_\_\_\_\_ rocks of Precambrian age.
- 3 Crushed-stone and building-stone resources from primarily the sedimentary rock \_\_\_\_\_ are important mineral resources in the Arbuckle Mountains.
- 5 The black Woodford Shale of Devonian–Mississippian age is exposed in the Arbuckle Mountains and is an important \_\_\_\_\_ source rock.
- 6 A high-purity silica sand in the Arbuckle Mountains is used primarily for \_\_\_\_\_ making.
- 7 Major mountain-building events in \_\_\_\_\_ time are recognized in the Arbuckle Mountains by the deposition of several tectonic conglomerates.
- 8 Steeply dipping beds of limestone/dolomite produce \_\_\_\_\_ topography, resembling rows of tombstones seen in a cemetery.
- 12 The Arbuckle Mountains contain a \_\_\_\_\_ of Precambrian granite and gneiss formed about 1.3 billion years ago.
- 14 The highest elevation in the eastern Arbuckle Mountains is about 1,377 feet on the Arbuckle \_\_\_\_\_.
- 15 The highest elevation in the Arbuckle Mountains is about 1,415 ft in the West \_\_\_\_\_, about 9 miles west-southwest of Davis.

### Down

- 1 The Arbuckle Mountains are in \_\_\_\_\_ Oklahoma.
- 4 The Arbuckle Mountains are primarily in \_\_\_\_\_, Carter, and Johnston Counties.
- 6 The first unroofing (exposure) of Precambrian \_\_\_\_\_ in the Arbuckle Mountains occurred near the close of the Pennsylvanian Period.
- 7 The emplacement of both extrusive and shallow intrusive igneous rocks occurred in late \_\_\_\_\_ time.
- 9 The Arbuckle Mountains contain the most diverse suite of \_\_\_\_\_ resources in Oklahoma.
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_, a popular tourist attraction in the Arbuckle Mountains, is the most impressive waterfall in Oklahoma.
- 11 Extensive erosion of the Arbuckle Mountains area occurred in the \_\_\_\_\_ Period.
- 13 Deep road cuts on Interstate 35 expose some of the thickest limestones and dolomites of early \_\_\_\_\_ age seen anywhere in the world.

SOUTH-CENTRAL	TIMBERED HILLS	TOMBSTONE	TURNER FALLS	MURRAY	PALAEZOIC	PENNSYLVANIAN	PRECAMBRIAN	HYDROCARBON	IGNEOUS	LIMESTONE	MINERAL	ANTICLINE	CORE	CRETACEOUS	GLASS	GRANITES
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Some of the words may be used more than once.

### WORD LIST

# ARBUCKLE MOUNTAINS—Crossword Puzzle

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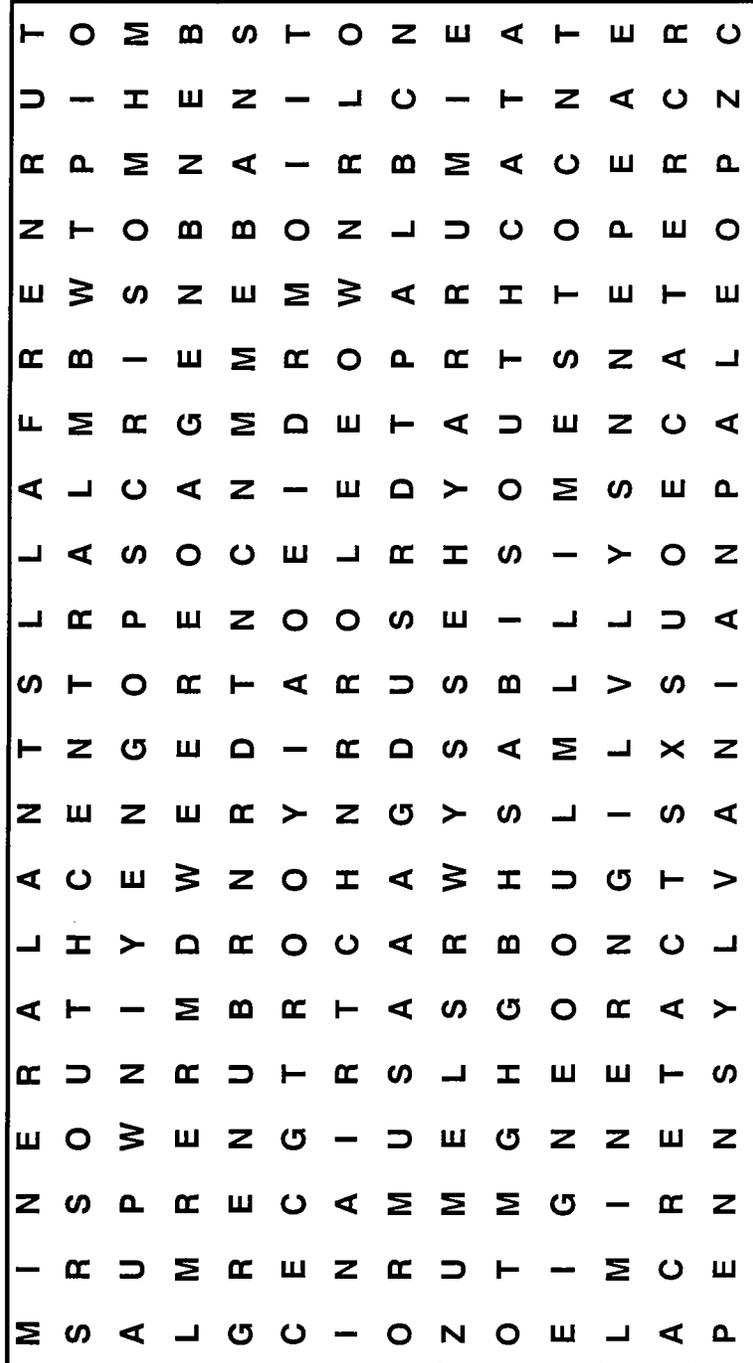
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## ARBUCKLE MOUNTAINS—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to the Arbuckle Mountains of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to the Arbuckle Mountains of Oklahoma is included in the cross-word puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

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| ANTICLINE  | GLASS       | MURRAY        | PRECAMBRIAN    | TOMBSTONE    |
| CORE       | GRANITES    | PALEOZOIC     | SOUTH-CENTRAL  | TURNER FALLS |
| CRETACEOUS | HYDROCARBON | PENNSYLVANIAN | TIMBERED HILLS |              |

## OUACHITA MOUNTAINS—Crossword Puzzle

### Across

- 2 The Ouachita Mountains are an extension of the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains of the eastern United States.
- 3 The greatest period of mountain building in Oklahoma was in \_\_\_\_\_ time, when the Ouachitas were folded, tilted, and faulted.
- 6 The Ouachita Mountains are characterized by long and sinuous ridges of folded Mississippian and Pennsylvanian sandstones towering above subparallel \_\_\_\_\_ valleys.
- 7 The topography of the Ouachita Mountains is controlled by \_\_\_\_\_ type, with valleys underlain by shales and ridges held up by sandstones.
- 9 “Talihina” is a Choctaw word meaning “iron road”; it refers to the 1888 arrival of the Frisco \_\_\_\_\_ to the Ouachita region.
- 10 The Ouachita Mountains are in southeastern Oklahoma and western \_\_\_\_\_.
- 12 Lower Paleozoic limestones and dolomites in the Arbuckle Mountains are equivalent to thick shales and \_\_\_\_\_ in the Ouachita Mountains.
- 13 The highest elevation in the Ouachita Mountains is 2,666 feet on \_\_\_\_\_ Mountain.
- 14 The Ouachita Mountains consist of a thick sequence of largely clastic rocks formed during the \_\_\_\_\_ Era.
- 15 \_\_\_\_\_ resources that are, or have been, produced in the Ouachitas include limestone, quartzite, sand and gravel, asphaltite, lead, and oil and gas.

### Down

- 1 The first successful oil well in the Ouachitas was drilled in 1914 near what later became known as the \_\_\_\_\_ field.
- 2 Early Native Americans used solid hydrocarbons called \_\_\_\_\_ as adhesives to bind stone arrowheads to wooden shafts.
- 4 The Ouachita orogeny (uplift) resulted from the collision of the \_\_\_\_\_ Plate into the central stable region of North America.
- 5 The principal mineral resources of the Ouachita region are \_\_\_\_\_, coalbed-methane gas, and oil.
- 8 The Ouachita Mountains represented a major source area for \_\_\_\_\_ in post-Mississippian rocks.
- 11 The leading thrust fault of the Ouachita fold and thrust belt is the \_\_\_\_\_ fault.

AMERICAN SOUTH  
SHALE  
SANDSTONES  
ROCK

RICH  
REDDEN  
RAILROAD  
PENNSYLVANIAN

PALEOZOIC  
NATURAL GAS  
NATURAL  
CLASTICS

CHOCTAW  
ASPHALTITES  
ARKANSAS  
APPALACHIAN

Some of the words may be used more than once.

WORD LIST

# OUACHITA MOUNTAINS—Crossword Puzzle

The crossword puzzle grid is contained within a rectangular border. It features 15 numbered starting points for words:

- 1: Down, top-left corner.
- 2: Down, middle-left.
- 3: Down, middle-left, below 2.
- 4: Across, middle-left.
- 5: Down, middle-left, below 4.
- 6: Across, middle-left, below 5.
- 7: Down, middle-left, below 6.
- 8: Down, middle-right.
- 9: Across, middle-right, below 8.
- 10: Down, middle-right, below 9.
- 11: Across, middle-right, below 10.
- 12: Down, middle-right, below 11.
- 13: Down, middle-right, below 12.
- 14: Across, middle-right, below 13.
- 15: Down, middle-right, below 14.

Two illustrations are included:

- QUARTZ**: A faceted quartz crystal, with the word "QUARTZ" printed vertically below it.
- Radio Tower**: A lattice tower with a pointed top, located in the upper right quadrant of the grid.

## OUACHITA MOUNTAINS—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to the Ouachita Mountains of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to the Ouachita Mountains of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

APPALACHIAN  
ARKANSAS  
ASPHALTITES  
CHOCTAW  
CLASTICS  
MINERAL

NATURAL GAS  
PALEOZOIC  
PENNSYLVANIAN  
RAILROAD  
REDDEN

RICH  
ROCK  
SANDSTONES  
SHALE  
SOUTH AMERICAN

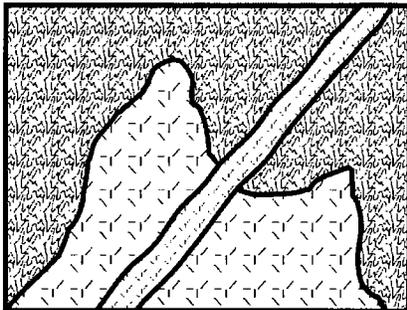
## WICHITA MOUNTAINS—Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 3 The Wichita mountains were formed during the \_\_\_\_\_ Period, caused by 20,000 feet of local uplift of the Earth's crust.
- 6 The metamorphic rock \_\_\_\_\_, one of the few types of metamorphic rocks known in Oklahoma, occurs only in the Wichita Mountains near the town of Meers.
- 7 Important nonfuel resources produced in the area include limestone, sand and gravel, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 The \_\_\_\_\_ fault is an active fault in the Wichita Mountains capable of causing large, damaging earthquakes.
- 10 The uplift of the Wichita Mountains was accompanied by extensive weathering and \_\_\_\_\_, so the mountains probably never reached elevations of more than 3,000 to 5,000 feet above the surrounding area.
- 11 The best known peak in the Wichita Mountains is \_\_\_\_\_, with a summit elevation of 2,464 feet.
- 12 The Wichita Mountains are composed mainly of \_\_\_\_\_ rock types.

**Down**

- 1 The Meers fault, an integral part of the Wichita Mountain frontal fault system, is considered to represent the best known surface expression of \_\_\_\_\_ faulting in the eastern United States.
- 2 The highest elevation in the Wichita Mountains is about 2,475 feet above sea level on an \_\_\_\_\_ peak 4 miles east-southeast of Cooperton.
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ rocks that surround the Wichita Mountains produce oil and gas.
- 5 The \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains are in southwestern Oklahoma.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Mountain State Park and Great Plains State Park are in the Wichita Mountains.
- 8 The igneous rock granite is quarried in the Wichita Mountains and polished for use as \_\_\_\_\_ and building trim.
- 9 Most of the Wichita Mountains is in the Wichita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge and the \_\_\_\_\_ Military Reservation.



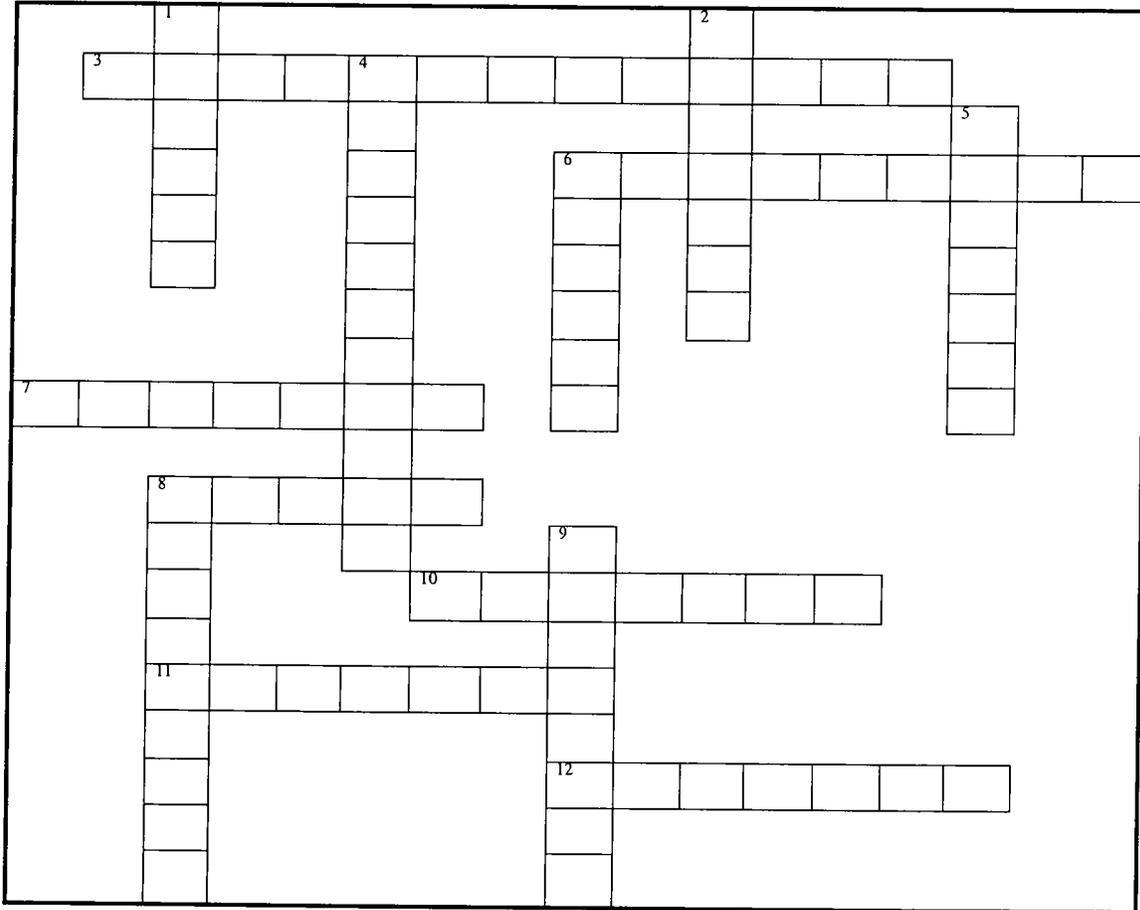
**Relationship of igneous rock bodies**

WICHITA  
 UNNAMED  
 SEDIMENTARY  
 RECENT  
 QUARTZITE  
 QUARTZ  
 PENNSYLVANIAN  
 MT. SCOTT  
 MONUMENTS  
 MEERS  
 IGNEOUS  
 GRANITE  
 FORT SILL  
 EROSION

Some of these words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

# WICHITA MOUNTAINS—Crossword Puzzle



## WICHITA MOUNTAINS—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to the Wichita Mountains of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to the Wichita Mountains of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

EROSION  
FORT SILL  
GRANITE  
IGNEOUS  
MEERS

MONUMENTS  
MT. SCOTT  
PENNSYLVANIAN  
QUARTZ  
QUARTZITE

RECENT  
SEDIMENTARY  
UNNAMED  
WICHITA

## THERE'S A WHOLE LOTTA SHAKIN' GOIN' ON— OKLAHOMA EARTHQUAKES—Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 3 Most earthquakes originate at \_\_\_\_\_ boundaries.
- 4 The Oklahoma Geological Survey in Norman operates a geophysical observatory to measure earthquake activity near \_\_\_\_\_, Oklahoma, in southern Tulsa County.
- 6 The approximate distance North America moves west from Europe each year is \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 This instrument, designed and operated to record earthquake waves, has operated in Oklahoma since 1961. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 Of the more than 800 earthquakes recorded in Oklahoma from 1977 through 1993, most had magnitudes of less than \_\_\_\_\_.
- 12 Approximate number of earthquakes located in Oklahoma each year. \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 What unreinforced concrete does under intense earthquake activity. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 Japanese city proclaimed "earthquake-proof" because of strict building codes. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 Spot on the Earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 The 25-mile-thick granitic skin of the earth. \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 Direction the North and South American plates are moving. \_\_\_\_\_
- 21 An earthquake that exceeds a magnitude of 7.0 is considered to be a \_\_\_\_\_ earthquake.
- 22 These two counties have recorded the most earthquakes in Oklahoma since 1979.  
\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_
- 25 Earthquake that follows a large earthquake and originates at or near the focus of the larger earthquake. \_\_\_\_\_
- 26 The actual location of an earthquake below the Earth's surface. \_\_\_\_\_
- 28 The average number of earthquakes reported felt each year in Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_
- 29 In Oklahoma, ground motion is recorded at 11 widely separated \_\_\_\_\_ stations.
- 30 Readings from at least three seismograph stations are needed to locate the earthquake's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Down**

- 1 Geologic features often associated with earthquake activity. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 The largest known Oklahoma earthquake (magnitude of 5.50) occurred on April 9, 1952, in Canadian County near this city. \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Probably the earliest historical earthquake tremor felt in Oklahoma was the \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ earthquake of 1811–1812.
- 7 About 80% of all volcanic and earthquake activity occurs in and around the \_\_\_\_\_ Ocean.
- 8 Earthquake rating system developed by Charles Richter. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Name of an active fault in the relatively recent past in the Wichita Mountains. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 Shaking of the ground that precedes an earthquake. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 Primary wave, which travels first and fastest. \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_
- 17 Deadly surface waves that roll the Earth's surface like flipping a carpet. \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 Geologic feature formed when an oceanic plate slides under another oceanic plate. \_\_\_\_\_
- 23 The significance of the 8.9 Alaskan earthquake of March 27, 1964. \_\_\_\_\_
- 24 The biggest fault in North America, nearly 800 miles in length. \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_
- 27 The Earth's largest satellite, which experiences about 3,000 "quakes" per year. \_\_\_\_\_

WEST	TOKYO	PLATE	L WAVES	FAULTS
TWO INCHES	THREE	PACIFIC	LEONARD	EPICENTER
TWO	SEISMOGRAPH	NEW MADRID	LARGEST	EL RENO
TRENCH	SAN ANDREAS	MOON	GARVIN/MCCLEAIN	CRUST
TREMORS	RICHTER SCALE	MEERS	FOCUS	CRUMBLES
	P WAVE	MAJOR	FIFTY	AFTERSHOCK

Some of the words may be used more than once.

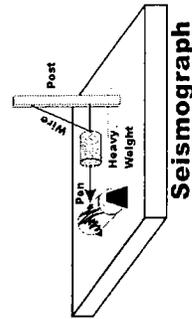
**WORD LIST**

# THERE'S A WHOLE LOTTA SHAKIN' GOIN' ON—OKLAHOMA EARTHQUAKES

## Crossword Puzzle

The crossword puzzle grid consists of 20 rows and 20 columns. The starting points for the words are numbered as follows:

- 1: Row 1, Column 1
- 2: Row 1, Column 10
- 3: Row 1, Column 15
- 4: Row 2, Column 10
- 5: Row 2, Column 15
- 6: Row 3, Column 10
- 7: Row 3, Column 15
- 8: Row 4, Column 10
- 9: Row 4, Column 15
- 10: Row 5, Column 10
- 11: Row 5, Column 15
- 12: Row 6, Column 10
- 13: Row 6, Column 15
- 14: Row 7, Column 10
- 15: Row 7, Column 15
- 16: Row 8, Column 10
- 17: Row 8, Column 15
- 18: Row 9, Column 10
- 19: Row 9, Column 15
- 20: Row 10, Column 10
- 21: Row 10, Column 15
- 22: Row 11, Column 10
- 23: Row 11, Column 15
- 24: Row 12, Column 10
- 25: Row 12, Column 15
- 26: Row 13, Column 10
- 27: Row 13, Column 15
- 28: Row 14, Column 10
- 29: Row 14, Column 15
- 30: Row 15, Column 10



## THERE'S A WHOLE LOTTA SHAKIN' GOIN' ON— OKLAHOMA EARTHQUAKES—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to earthquakes of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to earthquakes of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

AFTERSHOCK  
CRUMBLES  
CRUST  
EL RENO  
EPICENTER  
FAULTS  
FIFTY  
FOCUS  
GARVIN/MCCLAIN  
LARGEST

LEONARD  
L WAVES  
MAJOR  
MEERS  
MOON  
NEW MADRID  
PACIFIC  
PLATE  
P WAVE  
RICHTER SCALE

SAN ANDREAS  
SEISMOGRAPH  
THREE  
TOKYO  
TREMORS  
TRENCH  
TWO  
TWO INCHES  
WEST

## WATER RESOURCES IN OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 1 Modern drainage systems today were primarily initiated about 2 million years ago during the \_\_\_\_\_ Epoch of geologic time.
- 4 Unique in being one of the few lakes in Oklahoma with no rivers or streams flowing into it. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The largest river in Oklahoma is the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Lake Texoma is fed by the \_\_\_\_\_ and Red Rivers.
- 9 Most of the lakes and \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma were made mainly for flood control, water supply, recreation, fish, wildlife, and hydroelectric power.
- 11 Each major drainage system in Oklahoma consists of a principal \_\_\_\_\_ with smaller tributaries.
- 12 Historically, flooding in Oklahoma has decreased owing to the development of man-made \_\_\_\_\_ on major streams.
- 13 Major rivers and their tributaries flow mainly to the southeast and \_\_\_\_\_ across Oklahoma.
- 15 Most of the ground water in Oklahoma is used for \_\_\_\_\_.
- 17 The entire State of Oklahoma is drained by the Arkansas and \_\_\_\_\_ Rivers and their tributaries.
- 18 The source of the \_\_\_\_\_ River is in the Rocky Mountains of central Colorado.

**Down**

- 2 The lowest elevation in Oklahoma is 287 feet, where \_\_\_\_\_ enters Arkansas in the southeast corner of the State.
- 3 Oklahoma's major water-bearing strata (aquifers) are \_\_\_\_\_ deposits.
- 4 The largest water reservoir in Oklahoma is at \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 About 80% of all water used by cities and industries in Oklahoma is taken from \_\_\_\_\_ sources.
- 8 A most impressive waterfall in Oklahoma with a vertical fall of about 77 feet is in the Arbuckle Mountains at \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_ Lake, in eastern Oklahoma, has the largest surface area and the second largest volume of water in the State.
- 14 These areas adjacent to major streams are not considered to be good sites for urban development. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 The Ogallala Formation in the Oklahoma Panhandle and the Garber-Wellington Formations in central Oklahoma must be environmentally protected, as these two major \_\_\_\_\_ are major suppliers of water.

WASHITA TURNER FALLS SURFACE-WATER STREAM	LITTLE RIVER PLEISTOCENE RED RESERVOIRS	RIVER LAKE TEXOMA LAKE MURRAY IRRIGATION FLOOD PLAINS EUFULA	EAST DAMS ARKANSAS AQUIFERS
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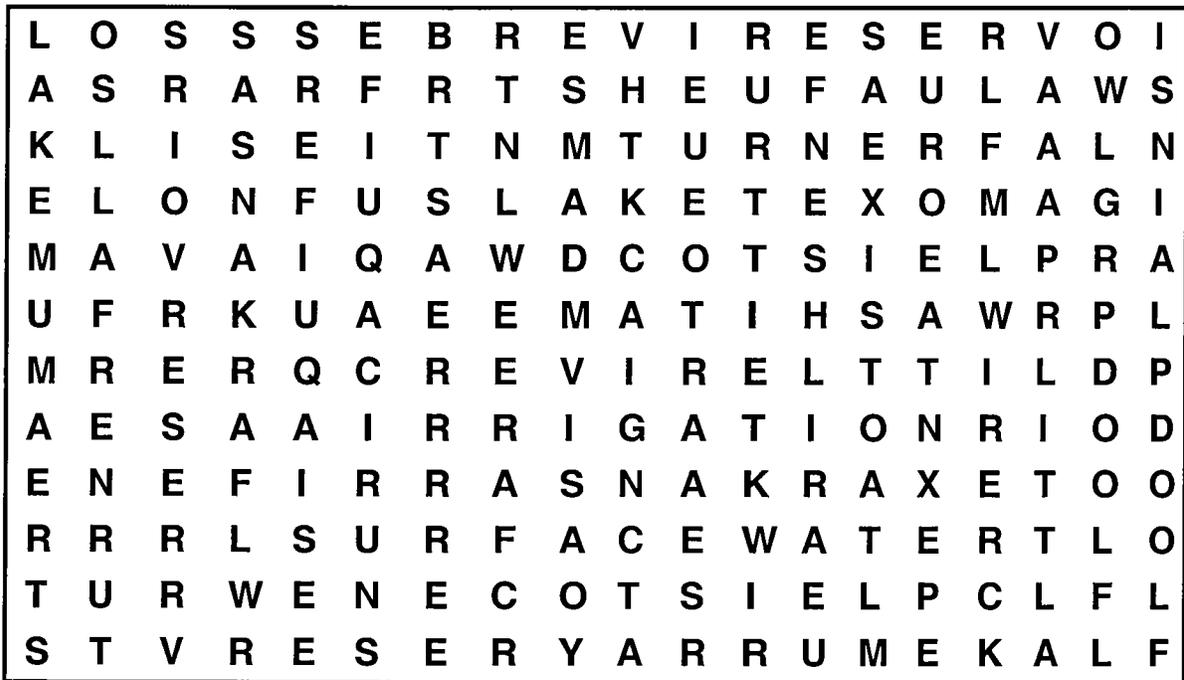
Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**



## WATER RESOURCES IN OKLAHOMA—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to the water resources of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to the water resources of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

AQUIFERS  
ARKANSAS  
DAMS  
EAST  
EUFAULA  
FLOOD PLAINS

IRRIGATION  
LAKE MURRAY  
LAKE TEXOMA  
LITTLE RIVER  
PLEISTOCENE  
RED

RESERVOIRS  
RIVER  
STREAM  
SURFACE-WATER  
TURNER FALLS  
WASHITA

## NONFUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 2 Igneous rock quarried near Tishomingo and Troy, Oklahoma, as a building stone and used in the construction of the State Capitol building. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 This rock-forming mineral has a hardness of 6 and is used in bath tiles, abrasives in cleansers, and roofing shingles. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Oklahoma ranks no. 1 nationally in the production of this element from natural oil-field brines. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Oklahoma is one of the very few places in the world where sand rosettes composed of the mineral \_\_\_\_\_ are found.
- 12 Sand and gravel deposits in Oklahoma are used mostly in the \_\_\_\_\_ industry.
- 13 Sedimentary rock formed by the lithification of clay-size particles. It is mined in Oklahoma for use in the brick and tile industry. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 McCurtain County in southeastern Oklahoma produces some of the finest and most diverse specimens of this mineral found anywhere in the world. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 Extensive subsurface salt deposits are found in the \_\_\_\_\_ part of Oklahoma.
- 17 A mineral with a hardness of 2 that is used in wallboard, plaster of Paris, and caulking compound mined in western Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 Important ore minerals were once mined in the Oklahoma lead-zinc district in the \_\_\_\_\_ Plateau.
- 19 A variety of the mineral gypsum called \_\_\_\_\_ occurs in unique hourglass crystals that can be collected at the Great Salt Plains National Refuge in Alfalfa County, Oklahoma.
- 20 Sand and \_\_\_\_\_ are important resources in the construction industry.

**Down**

- 1 In the Lawton area, deposits of the mineral \_\_\_\_\_ have been worked in the past for making a red-paint pigment.
- 3 Mineral with cubic cleavage used as a food additive, water-softening agent, and for ice control on roads. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Appreciable concentrations of worked pieces of the rock \_\_\_\_\_ can be interpreted as indications of former campsites of early Indians in Oklahoma.
- 6 Sedimentary rock extensively quarried in Oklahoma and used for road surfacing, making cement, and agricultural lime. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 This mineral resource is known as halite. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Boulders called \_\_\_\_\_ are often used on steep slopes to hold the soil in place, preventing erosion.
- 11 The tri-state area of \_\_\_\_\_ County is the most mineral-productive area of Oklahoma.
- 12 Leading nonfuel construction resource by value in Oklahoma in 1996. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 In the 1920s, Oklahoma was the largest producer in the world of this metal. \_\_\_\_\_
- 17 Pure silica sand from the Arbuckle Mountains is used primarily for making \_\_\_\_\_.
- 19 The raw material for brick, tile, and pottery is provided by this sedimentary rock. \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 Oklahoma ranks no.1 nationally in the production of this mineral commodity. \_\_\_\_\_

ZINC	RIPRAP	HEMATITE	FLINT
WESTERN	QUARTZ	HALITE	FELDSPAR
SHALE	OZARK	GYPNUM	CRUSHED STONE
SELENITE	OTTAWA	GRAVEL	CONSTRUCTION
SALT	LIMESTONE	GRANITE	BARITE
	IODINE	GLASS	

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

# NONFUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

The crossword puzzle grid is contained within a rectangular border. It features 20 numbered starting points for words:

- 1: Down, top right
- 2: Across, top right
- 3: Down, top right
- 4: Down, top center
- 5: Across, top center
- 6: Down, top center
- 7: Across, top center
- 8: Across, middle right
- 9: Across, middle left
- 10: Down, middle left
- 11: Down, middle left
- 12: Across, middle left
- 13: Across, middle left
- 14: Across, bottom center
- 15: Down, bottom center
- 16: Across, middle left
- 17: Across, middle left
- 18: Across, middle left
- 19: Across, middle left
- 20: Across, middle left

Two illustrations are placed within the grid area:

- Clay:** An illustration of a bulldozer pushing a pile of earth, with the word "Clay" written below it.
- River bars:** An illustration of a river with a crane on the bank. The crane is lifting a large, textured rock or sediment bar from the riverbed. The words "River bars" are written above the crane.

## NONFUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to nonfuel resources of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to nonfuel resources of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

BARITE  
CONSTRUCTION  
CRUSHED STONE  
FELDSPAR  
FLINT

GLASS  
GRANITE  
GRAVEL  
GYPSUM  
HALITE  
HEMATITE

IODINE  
LIMESTONE  
OTTAWA  
OZARK  
QUARTZ  
RIPRAP

SALT  
SELENITE  
SHALE  
WESTERN  
ZINC

## ENERGY FACTS ABOUT OKLAHOMA-(OIL AND GAS)— Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 1 The deepest producing \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma is about 22,850 feet.
- 2 The demand for petroleum products on a worldwide basis is \_\_\_\_\_ at a record rate.
- 4 Approximately 500,000 oil and gas wells have been \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma.
- 6 Oklahoma consumes less than \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the gas produced in the State.
- 7 Historically, Oklahoma's total \_\_\_\_\_ production is worth about \$80 billion.
- 10 The average cost of drilling an \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma is about \$340,000.
- 11 Oklahoma's daily production of natural gas is about 5.5 \_\_\_\_\_ cubic feet.
- 13 Oklahoma's daily oil production is less than one-half of \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the world oil supply.
- 14 Oklahoma is the largest exporter of \_\_\_\_\_ to out-of-state markets.
- 17 Oklahoma entered \_\_\_\_\_ in 1907 as the nation's no. 1 oil-producing State.
- 19 The average cost of drilling a \_\_\_\_\_ well in Oklahoma is about \$570,000.
- 20 By the end of 1907, Oklahoma was the nation's largest oil-producing area and supplied \_\_\_\_\_ % of the world's oil needs.
- 23 Oklahoma's \_\_\_\_\_ production of oil is about 250,000 barrels.

**Down**

- 1 The "million dollar elm" was a shade tree under which oil leases were auctioned in the 1920s on the \_\_\_\_\_ reservation in Pawhuska.
- 2 Name of the first major oil field in Oklahoma, discovered in 1905 about 10 miles southwest of Tulsa. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Oklahoma ranks \_\_\_\_\_ in national oil production after Texas, Alaska, California, and Louisiana.
- 5 Oklahoma's first waterflood project to extend the life of an oil reservoir began in \_\_\_\_\_ County.
- 8 Prior to the 1970s, most Oklahoma wells were \_\_\_\_\_ feet or shallower.
- 9 Oklahoma produces about \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the domestic natural-gas supply.
- 12 Oklahoma's production of oil per day is less than \_\_\_\_\_ % of the U.S. production.
- 13 The \_\_\_\_\_ Capitol is the only State Capitol with producing wells on its grounds.
- 15 In 1995, of Oklahoma's 77 counties, \_\_\_\_\_ were producing petroleum.
- 16 The Bertha Rogers No. 1 well, drilled in \_\_\_\_\_ County in 1974, reached a depth of 31,441 feet and was proclaimed the world's deepest hole.
- 18 The peak production year for \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma was 1927.
- 21 During most of the 1920s, Oklahoma ranked as the no. \_\_\_\_\_ oil-producing State in the Southwest.
- 22 Oklahoma ranks \_\_\_\_\_ in national gas production after Texas and Louisiana.

WASHITA	SEVENTY	OIL WELL	FOUR
TWENTY	ROGERS	OIL	FORTY
THIRD	PETROLEUM	NATURAL GAS	FIFTH
TEN THOUSAND	OSAGE	GROWING	DRILLED
TEN	ONE	GLEN POOL	DAILY
STATEHOOD	OKLAHOMA	GAS	BILLION

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

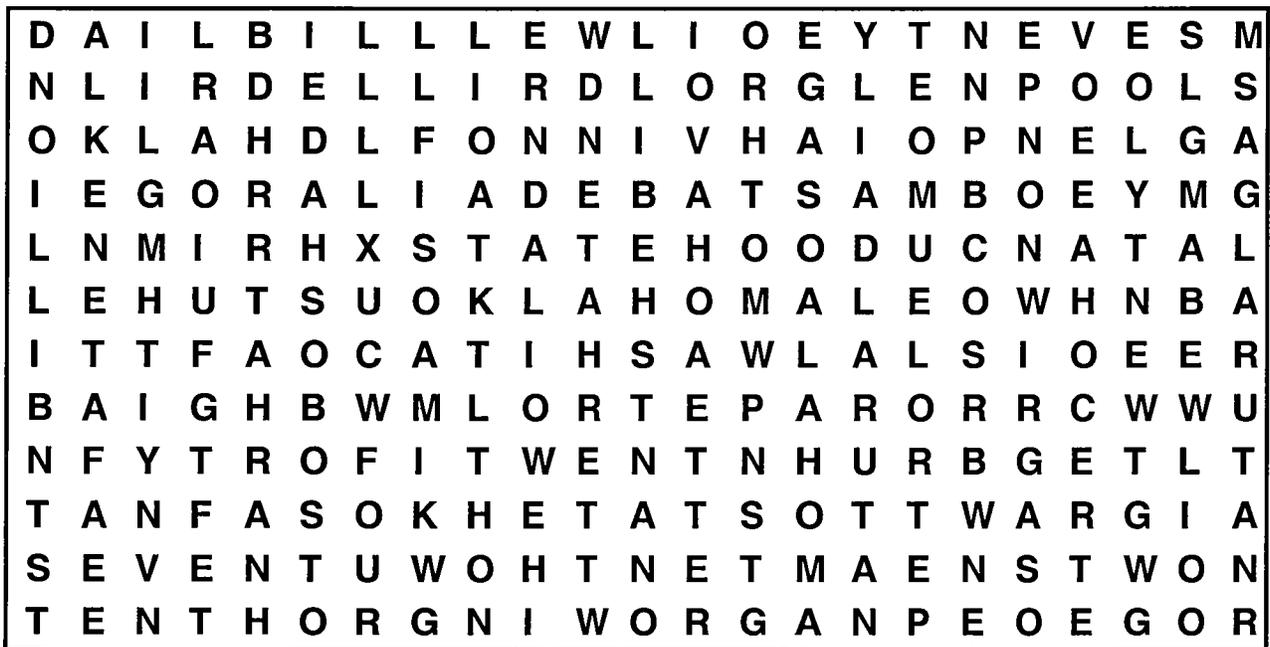
# ENERGY FACTS ABOUT OKLAHOMA—(OIL AND GAS)— Crossword Puzzle

*With a daily production rate at Statehood (1907) of 121,000 barrels, Oklahoma was the largest oil-producing entity in the world.*

*Oklahoma's peak oil production of 762,000 barrels per day was reached in 1927.*

## ENERGY FACTS ABOUT OKLAHOMA—Word Search (OIL AND GAS)

Look for the words below, all related to energy facts about Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to energy facts about Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

BILLION	GAS	OKLAHOMA	STATEHOOD
DAILY	GLEN POOL	ONE	TEN
DRILLED	GROWING	OSAGE	TEN THOUSAND
FIFTH	NATURAL GAS	PETROLEUM	THIRD
FORTY	OIL	ROGERS	TWENTY
FOUR	OIL WELL	SEVENTY	WASHITA

## FUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 2 Deep underground in Oklahoma, sandstone beds are important \_\_\_\_\_ for oil and gas.
- 5 Oklahoma was the leading producer of \_\_\_\_\_ in the nation from 1907 through 1923.
- 7 The first field test of the \_\_\_\_\_ seismograph was conducted in 1921 near Belle Isle, a suburb of Oklahoma City.
- 9 In 1924, \_\_\_\_\_ drilling was introduced to Oklahoma.
- 10 The Oklahoma Capitol is the only Capitol with producing \_\_\_\_\_ on its grounds.
- 11 One of the largest active oil refineries in Oklahoma is located in this city. \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 The mineral fuels coal, petroleum, natural gas, and uranium provide the primary sources of \_\_\_\_\_ currently consumed in the world.
- 15 The discovery well for one of the world's greatest oil fields was drilled in June 1928 in \_\_\_\_\_.
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ presently provides two-thirds of the total revenue from petroleum production in Oklahoma.
- 20 In 1996, Oklahoma ranked \_\_\_\_\_ in the production of petroleum among the producing states.
- 21 The process of restoring the land to its original condition after surface mining in Oklahoma is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 22 Earth material overlying a coal bed is called \_\_\_\_\_ and must be removed before the coal can be "stripped."
- 23 The Burbank field, one of the oldest and most productive large oil fields in Oklahoma, is in \_\_\_\_\_ County, the largest county in the State.
- 25 Fuel resource in Oklahoma that may cause acid-mine drainage. \_\_\_\_\_
- 28 In 1996, Oklahoma's \_\_\_\_\_ production was just over 85 million barrels, the lowest total production for the State since 1914.

**Down**

- 1 In the early days of coal mining, miners used \_\_\_\_\_ to detect deadly gases.
- 3 Coal in Oklahoma is used primarily for the generation of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 The first commercial \_\_\_\_\_ well in Oklahoma was completed at Bartlesville, Washington County, in 1897.
- 6 In 1996, Oklahoma was the \_\_\_\_\_ largest producer of natural gas among the producing states.
- 8 The first exploratory \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma was drilled in 1884.
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_ beds are mined either by surface stripping or by underground mining in Oklahoma.
- 14 \_\_\_\_\_ are sedimentary rocks rich in organic material that were changed into petroleum through pressure, heat, and time.
- 16 The most common rank (type) of coal mined in Oklahoma is called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 18 A prolific oil- and gas-producing basin in western Oklahoma with as much as 40,000 feet of sediment. \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 Almost all Oklahoma coal has been mined by \_\_\_\_\_ methods.
- 24 Perhaps the largest \_\_\_\_\_-burning cogeneration plant in the world is near the town of Spiro in Le Flore County, Oklahoma.
- 26 Vast resources of bituminous \_\_\_\_\_ are present in eastern Oklahoma.
- 27 The \_\_\_\_\_ industry has been the greatest single source of revenue in Oklahoma every year since Statehood.
- 28 Of Oklahoma's 77 counties, 70 were producing \_\_\_\_\_ in 1995.

ROTARY	OVERBURDEN	PETROLEUM	SECOND	SOURCE ROCKS	SURFACE	WELLS
ANADARKO	FIFTH	NATURAL GAS	OIL	OIL WELL	OKLAHOMA CITY	REFLECTION
BITUMINOUS	NATURAL GAS	PONCA CITY	RECLAMATION	RESERVOIRS	OSAGE	ENERGY
CANARIES	NATURAL GAS	RECLAMATION	OSAGE	RESERVOIRS	OKLAHOMA CITY	ELECTRICITY
COAL	NATURAL GAS	RECLAMATION	OKLAHOMA CITY	RESERVOIRS	OKLAHOMA CITY	ELECTRICITY
ENERGY	NATURAL GAS	RECLAMATION	OKLAHOMA CITY	RESERVOIRS	OKLAHOMA CITY	ELECTRICITY

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

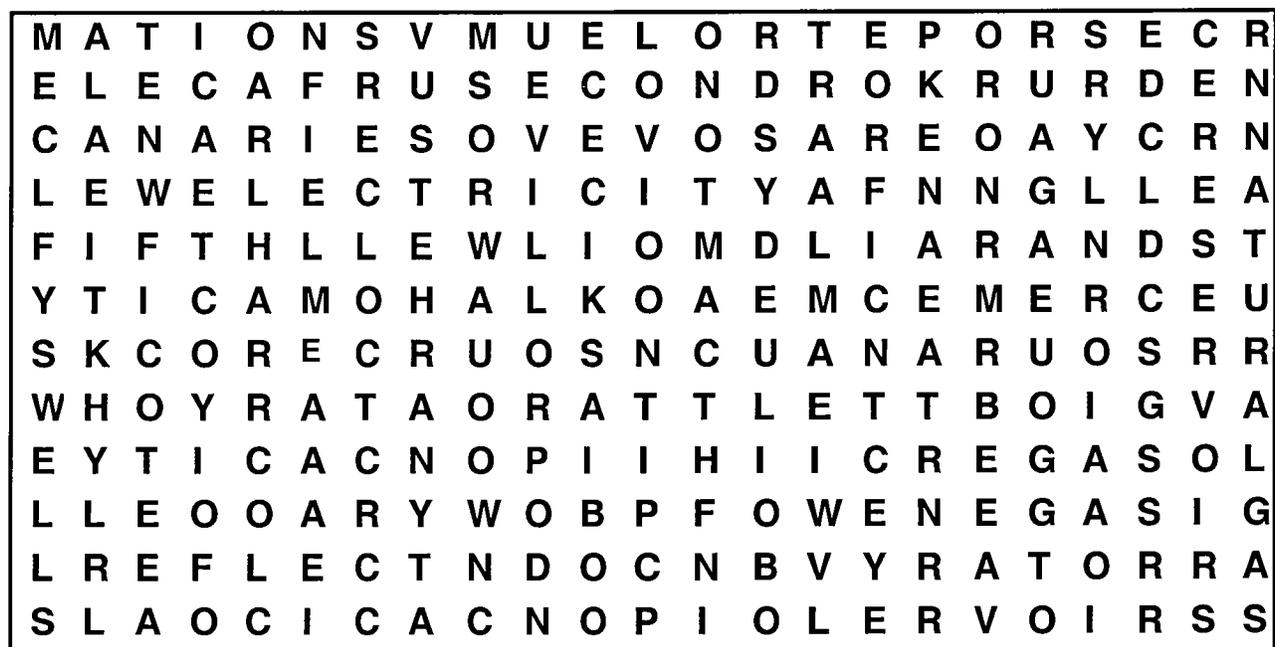
# FUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA—Crossword Puzzle

The crossword puzzle grid contains 28 numbered starting points for words:

- 1: 10 letters, horizontal, top left.
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- 28: 5 letters, horizontal, middle left.

## FUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to fuel resources of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to fuel resources of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ANADARKO  
 BITUMINOUS  
 CANARIES  
 COAL  
 ELECTRICITY  
 ENERGY  
 FIFTH  
 NATURAL GAS

OIL  
 OIL WELL  
 OKLAHOMA CITY  
 OSAGE  
 OVERBURDEN  
 PETROLEUM  
 PONCA CITY  
 RECLAMATION

REFLECTION  
 RESERVOIRS  
 ROTARY  
 SECOND  
 SOURCE ROCKS  
 SURFACE  
 WELLS

## "BLACK GOLD"—OKLAHOMA OIL TRIVIA Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 3 One of the most prolific gas provinces in North America in which some of the world's deepest wells have been drilled. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 The world's first school of \_\_\_\_\_ geology was established in 1900 on the University of Oklahoma campus, Norman.
- 8 The introduction of \_\_\_\_\_ drilling to Oklahoma was in 1924.
- 9 Location of the State's earliest oil refinery, built in 1905. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 First oil-well site on Spencer Creek, near Chelsea in \_\_\_\_\_ County.
- 11 The first oil-well discovery of the 20th century occurred at Red Fork, just southwest of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 14 In 1930, the \_\_\_\_\_ in the Oklahoma City Field blew out and remained out of control for 11 days.
- 17 A new well in unproved territory. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 In 1996, Oklahoma's oil production was just over 85 \_\_\_\_\_ barrels, which is the lowest total production for the State since 1914.
- 19 Well without commercial quantities of oil or gas. \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 In 1982, Oklahoma \_\_\_\_\_ reached a high point of \$37.60 per barrel.
- 24 Areas on a seismic recording suggesting the possibility of oil or gas. \_\_\_\_\_
- 25 Small-volume well in older field usually producing less than 10 barrels of oil per day. \_\_\_\_\_
- 26 Sampling rock from a well for study. \_\_\_\_\_

**Down**

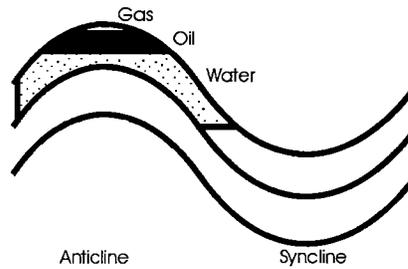
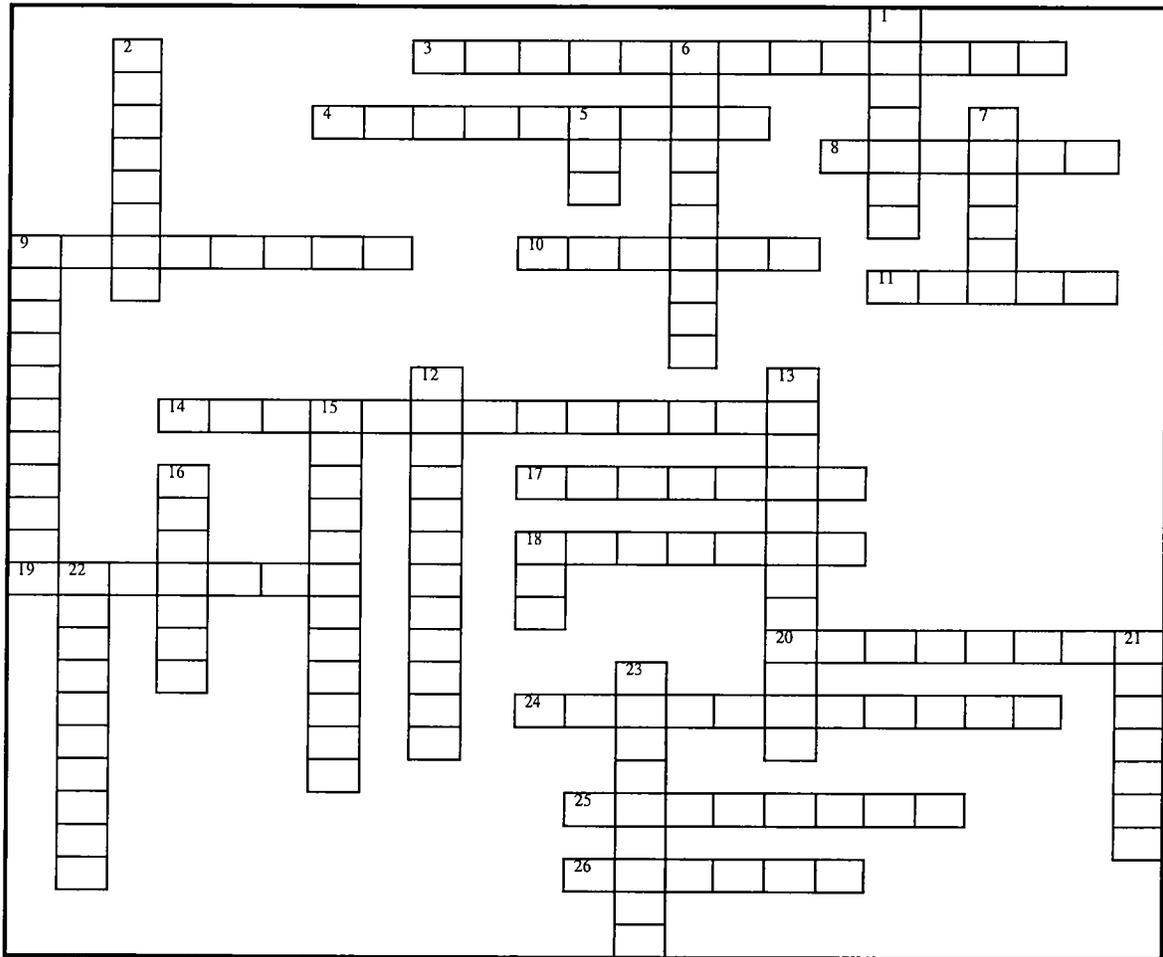
- 1 Underground strata containing petroleum. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Name for crew shelter on drilling rig. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 In 1986, Oklahoma crude oil reached a \_\_\_\_\_ point of \$11.15 per barrel.
- 6 Assistants to the head driller on a rig. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Contains 42 gallons of oil. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 The high-level platform on a derrick. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 The first commercial oil well was the Nellie Johnstone No. 1, discovered in 1897 at \_\_\_\_\_, Indian Territory.
- 13 One of the nation's leading oil fields discovered in 1928. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 Member of a seismic crew. \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 Name for recovering drilling tools lost down the well. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 Drilling lubricant and circulating agent. \_\_\_\_\_
- 21 Collecting geophysical data from inside the well. \_\_\_\_\_
- 22 The first field test of the \_\_\_\_\_ seismograph was conducted in 1921 near Belle Isle, a suburb of Oklahoma City.
- 23 Well about which all information is kept secret. \_\_\_\_\_

WILD MARY SUDIK	ROGERS	MONKEY BOARD	DOGHOUSE
WILDCAT	REFLECTION	MILLION	CRUDE OIL
TULSA	PETROLEUM	LOW	CORING
TIGHT HOLE	PAY ZONE	LOGGING	BRIGHT SPOTS
STRIPPER	OKLAHOMA CITY	FISHING	BARTLESVILLE
ROTARY	MUSKOGEE	DRY HOLE	BARREL
ROUGHNECKS	MUD	DOODLEBUGGER	ANADARKO BASIN

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

# "BLACK GOLD"—OKLAHOMA OIL TRIVIA Crossword Puzzle



## "BLACK GOLD"—OKLAHOMA OIL TRIVIA Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to oil trivia of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to oil trivia of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ANADARKO BASIN  
BARREL  
BARTLESVILLE  
BRIGHT SPOTS  
CORING  
CRUDE OIL  
DOGHOUSE  
DOODLEBUGGER  
DRY HOLE  
FISHING

LOGGING  
LOW  
MILLION  
MONKEY BOARD  
MUD  
MUSKOGEE  
OKLAHOMA CITY  
PAY ZONE  
PETROLEUM  
REFLECTION

ROGERS  
ROUGHNECKS  
ROTARY  
STRIPPER  
TIGHT HOLE  
TULSA  
WILDCAT  
WILD MARY SUDIK

## "GEOLOGIC SCENERY"—A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA'S STATE PARKS Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 1 Glass Mountain State Park in Major County is known for its bluffs and slopes littered with crystals and fragments that look like glass but in fact are fragments of the mineral \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 Alabaster Caverns in \_\_\_\_\_ County is the largest known commercial gypsum cave in North America.
- 5 Red Rock Canyon near Hinton, Oklahoma, was formed primarily by \_\_\_\_\_ erosion in sandstones of Permian age.
- 6 The rocks that crop out in Wister State Park are assigned to the \_\_\_\_\_ Period of geologic time.
- 8 Little Sahara Recreation Area in Woods County is a popular place to observe \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 This State park enjoys notoriety as a former hideout for outlaws. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Wister State Park is in the southern part of the coal- and gas-producing \_\_\_\_\_ basin.
- 11 This geologic feature (sandstone butte) near Red Rock Canyon State Park in Caddo County was a landmark for emigrants traveling west during the California gold rush. \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 Beavers Bend State Park in McCurtain County is noted for a volcanic rock called \_\_\_\_\_, which is made up of volcanic ash and pumice.
- 16 Magnificent \_\_\_\_\_ cliffs surround Lake Tenkiller State Park in eastern Oklahoma.
- 17 Unusual rock formations referred to as "The Old Maid's Profile" and "The Wedding Party" can be seen at \_\_\_\_\_ State Park in Cimarron County.
- 18 Beavers Bend State Park is in the southeastern corner of Oklahoma in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.
- 19 At Sequoyah State Park in Cherokee County, common marine fossils found are crinoids in sedimentary rocks formed during the \_\_\_\_\_ Period of geologic time.

**Down**

- 2 Robbers Cave State Park near Wilburton is unique in that caves are formed in the sedimentary rock \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Caves in gypsum layers at Roman Nose State Park serve as natural outlets for \_\_\_\_\_ in that area.
- 7 "Cathedral Dome," "Devil's Bathtub," and "Gun Barrel Tunnel" are features seen at \_\_\_\_\_ State Park.
- 11 The mineral gypsum is very common at \_\_\_\_\_ State Park in Blaine County.
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_ quartz is a variety of the mineral quartz having a cloudy white appearance that can be collected in the Beavers Bend State Park area.
- 14 In the 1930s, several \_\_\_\_\_ quarries were opened and excavated at Black Mesa State Park.
- 15 The dam at Wister State Park impounds waters of Fourche Maline and the \_\_\_\_\_ River.

WOODWARD  
TUFF  
STREAM  
SANDSTONE  
SAND DUNES

ROMAN NOSE  
ROCK MARY  
ROBBERS CAVE  
POTEAU  
PENNSYLVANIAN

OUACHITA  
MISSISSIPPIAN  
MILKY  
LIMESTONE  
GYPSUM

GROUND WATER  
DINOSAUR  
BLACK MESA  
ARKOMA  
ALABASTER CAVERNS

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

**"GEOLOGIC SCENERY"—A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA'S STATE PARKS**  
**Crossword Puzzle**

**GYPSUM**

**QUARTZ**

## "GEOLOGIC SCENERY"—A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA'S STATE PARKS Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to State parks of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to State parks of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ALABASTER CAVERNS  
ARKOMA  
BLACK MESA  
DINOSAUR  
GROUND WATER

GYPSUM  
LIMESTONE  
MILKY  
MISSISSIPPIAN  
OUACHITA

PENNSYLVANIAN  
POTEAU  
ROBBERS CAVE  
ROCK MARY  
ROMAN NOSE

SAND DUNES  
SANDSTONE  
STREAM  
TUFF  
WOODWARD

## OKLAHOMA FOSSILS—Crossword Puzzle

### Across

- 2 Marine invertebrate fossils, including ammonites, primitive oyster-like clams, and echinoids called “heart urchins,” are common in Cretaceous-age rocks in the \_\_\_\_\_ area.
- 3 The earliest preserved shelled invertebrate animals found in Oklahoma rocks are called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 Asphalt-impregnated limestone of \_\_\_\_\_ age near Sulphur in Murray County contains some of the world’s oldest fossils exhibiting pristine preservation, with their shells retaining their original iridescence.
- 8 Fossils of Jurassic-age dinosaurs have been found in the \_\_\_\_\_ of western Oklahoma.
- 10 Scientists who study fossils. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 Pleistocene-age fossils of mammoths and \_\_\_\_\_ that inhabited Oklahoma about 12,000–14,000 years ago have been found throughout Oklahoma.
- 15 The first (earliest) documented terrestrial (land) \_\_\_\_\_ appeared in Oklahoma in Devonian-age rocks, forming an extensive forest in the Ada vicinity.
- 17 Large, fin-backed primitive reptiles, amphibians, and conifer-like plants dominate this geologic period. \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 The earliest record of \_\_\_\_\_ life in Oklahoma occurs in the form of small fish scales and plates in Ordovician-age rocks.
- 20 The first reported fossils of Mesozoic mammals in Oklahoma occur in \_\_\_\_\_ -age rocks.
- 21 Coal deposits are formed primarily from fossil \_\_\_\_\_.
- 23 During the Mesozoic Era (the “Age of Reptiles”) many kinds of \_\_\_\_\_ roamed what is now Oklahoma.

### Down

- 1 Based on skeletal and artifact evidence, \_\_\_\_\_ (the earliest people in North America) lived in Oklahoma about 11,000–12,000 years ago.
- 4 The most common fossils found in Paleozoic-age rocks in Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 White Mound in southeastern Murray County is world famous for its Early \_\_\_\_\_ invertebrate fossils.
- 6 About 50 localities in Oklahoma have yielded the remains of fossil elephants in \_\_\_\_\_-age rocks.
- 7 Fossil structures called stromatolites, formed by \_\_\_\_\_, have been found in Ordovician-age rocks in Oklahoma.
- 9 A spectacular \_\_\_\_\_ trackway is preserved in the Jurassic-age Morrison Formation near Kenton, Oklahoma.
- 11 Fossil leaf impressions from flowering plants called \_\_\_\_\_ are common in Cretaceous-age deposits.
- 12 Any remains, traces, or imprints of a plant or animal preserved in rock is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 13 The Mesozoic Era of geologic time is commonly called the “Age of \_\_\_\_\_.”
- 16 *Stegosaurus*, *Apatosaurus*, and *Acrocanthosaurus* are all examples of fossil \_\_\_\_\_ found in Oklahoma.
- 17 One of the richest deposits of \_\_\_\_\_ -age reptile and amphibian fossils in the world is found in a limestone quarry at Richards Spur, near Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
- 18 1.4-billion-year-old rocks of \_\_\_\_\_ age have yielded no fossils in Oklahoma.
- 22 The largest (up to 3 inches long) fossil \_\_\_\_\_ west of the Mississippi River are found in rocks of Ordovician age in Oklahoma.

PRECAMBRIAN	PANHANDLE	LAKE TENKILLER	DEVONIAN	ANGIOSPERMS
REPTILES	PENNSYLVANIAN	LAKE TEXOMA	DINOSAUR	BRACHIOPODS
TRILOBITES	PERMIAN	MESODOC	DINOSAURS	CENOZOIC
VERTEBRATE	PLANTS	PALAEINDIANS	FOSSIL	CORALS

Some of the words may be used more than once.

### WORD LIST

# OKLAHOMA FOSSILS—Crossword Puzzle

A crossword puzzle grid is shown within a rectangular border. The grid consists of white squares for letters and black squares for empty space. There are 23 numbered starting points for words:

- 1: Down, top-left
- 2: Down, top-left
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- 12: Down, middle-left
- 13: Down, middle-left
- 14: Down, middle-left
- 15: Down, middle-left
- 16: Down, middle-left
- 17: Down, middle-left
- 18: Down, bottom-left
- 19: Down, bottom-left
- 20: Down, bottom-left
- 21: Down, bottom-left
- 22: Down, middle-right
- 23: Down, middle-right

Illustrations include a fern frond in the upper left and a fossil shell in the lower right.

## OKLAHOMA FOSSILS—Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to fossils of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to fossils of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ALGAE  
ANGIOSPERMS  
BRACHIOPODS  
CENOZOIC  
CRETACEOUS  
DEVONIAN

DINOSAUR  
FOSSIL  
LAKE TEXOMA  
MASTODONS  
MESOZOIC  
PALEONTOLOGISTS

PANHANDLE  
PERMIAN  
REPTILES  
TRILOBITES  
VERTEBRATE

## "TREASURES BURIED IN ROCKS"—Oklahoma Fossils Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 2 Fossil bones of camels, elephants, horses, and saber-toothed cats have been found in western Oklahoma from sediments of \_\_\_\_\_ age.
- 3 The Arbuckle Limestone of the Arbuckle Mountains contains excellent "heads" of these primitive plants. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 The most common Paleozoic fossils in Oklahoma are \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 The Cretaceous Period began the rise of modern plants with the early appearance of flowering plants called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 The oldest fossil \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma is *Callixylon* (350 m.y. ago), which can be seen in the restored state at the campus entrance of East Central State University at Ada.
- 12 The official State \_\_\_\_\_ of Oklahoma is a Jurassic-age dinosaur.
- 13 A type of sedimentary rock formed from the consolidation of fossil plant material. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 One type of extinction of animals may have been caused by a change in the \_\_\_\_\_ in which the animals may not have been able to adapt.
- 16 Specimens of the genus *Isotelus* found in Ordovician rocks of the Criner Hills represent the largest \_\_\_\_\_ west of the Mississippi River.
- 17 \_\_\_\_\_ resources are, in fact, the result of highly altered remains of plants and animals that populated the Earth in the geologic past.
- 19 The first unquestioned land plants occurred in Oklahoma with the beginning of the \_\_\_\_\_ Period.
- 20 Fossils occur most commonly in \_\_\_\_\_ rocks.
- 22 Permian-age rocks in central Oklahoma have yielded extensive collections of these vertebrates. \_\_\_\_\_

**Down**

- 1 Large, coiled invertebrate fossils (now extinct) of Cretaceous age called \_\_\_\_\_ can be collected in the vicinity of Lake Texoma.
- 4 These extinct invertebrate fossils are found commonly preserved as black carbon films resembling saw blades in lower Paleozoic rocks in the Arbuckle Mountains. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Commonly found in Pennsylvanian and Permian rocks of north-central Oklahoma are small wheat-grain-shaped ("football-shaped") fossils called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 The oldest fossil tree was collected from the Devonian-age Woodford Formation in the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains.
- 9 The climate of the Pennsylvanian Period in Oklahoma, as evidenced from plants, was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 Scientist who studies life from the geologic past. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 An aquatic shelled animal collected from creeks and streams was a common food staple for native American Indians in Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 Occasionally in Oklahoma, specimens of mammoth or mastodon teeth and tusks (fossil elephants) are dug out of sand or gravel terrace deposits of \_\_\_\_\_ age.
- 18 Native American Indians in Oklahoma collected these invertebrate fossils (animals without backbones) to make ceremonial necklaces and bracelets. \_\_\_\_\_
- 21 Fossils commonly found when mining coal in Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_

REPTILES	FOSSIL	CLAM	ALGAE
SEDIMENTARY	FUSULINIDS	COAL	AMMONITES
TREE	GRAPTOLITES	CRINIDS	ANGIOSPERMS
TRILOBITES	PALEONTOLOGIST	DEVONIAN	ARBUCKLE
TROPICAL	PLANTS	ENERGY	BRACHIOPODS
	PLEISTOCENE	ENVIRONMENT	CENOZOIC

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

**"TREASURES BURIED IN ROCKS"—OKLAHOMA FOSSILS**  
**Crossword Puzzle**

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## "TREASURES BURIED IN ROCKS"—OKLAHOMA FOSSILS

### Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to fossils of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to fossils of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ALGAE  
AMMONITES  
ANGIOSPERMS  
ARBUCKLE  
BRACHIOPODS  
CENOZOIC  
CLAM  
COAL

CRINOIDS  
DEVONIAN  
ENERGY  
ENVIRONMENT  
FOSSIL  
FUSULINIDS  
GRAPTOLITES  
PALEONTOLOGIST

PLANTS  
PLEISTOCENE  
REPTILES  
SEDIMENTARY  
TREE  
TRILOBITES  
TROPICAL

## THOSE TERRIBLE "LIZARDS"—DINOSAURS OF OKLAHOMA Crossword Puzzle

**Across**

- 2 Remains of these large vertebrate fossils have been collected in the Oklahoma Panhandle and in southeastern Oklahoma. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 The \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains stood high during the time dinosaurs roamed coastal areas in what is now southeastern Oklahoma.
- 7 Dinosaurs, along with flying reptiles, many swimming reptiles, and giant clams, disappeared at the end of the \_\_\_\_\_ Period.
- 9 The age of the dinosaurs was the \_\_\_\_\_ Era.
- 10 What herbivorous dinosaurs ate. \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 Some workers have suggested that dinosaurs may be more like these than reptiles. \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 Supposedly the most ferocious dinosaur that ever lived. \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 One of the largest collections of \_\_\_\_\_ fossils in the United States is housed at the Oklahoma Museum of Natural History in Norman.
- 16 The name of the geologic formation in which specimens of the dinosaur *Acrocanthosaurus* were found. \_\_\_\_\_
- 17 Scientist who coined the word "dinosaur" in 1841. \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 Sauropods—herbivorous dinosaurs with huge bodies and very long necks and tails—were \_\_\_\_\_ to *Acrocanthosaurus*.
- 19 *Stegosaurus* had one the size of a walnut. \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 *Acrocanthosaurus* was one of the largest \_\_\_\_\_ that lived during the Early Cretaceous.

**Down**

- 1 The name *Acrocanthosaurus*, which means "high-spined \_\_\_\_\_," comes from the ridge of bony spines extending upward from vertebrae of the backbone.
- 3 Two specimens of this general dinosaur group, which may represent some of the last of this group native to North America, were discovered in rocks representing the same time period in Oklahoma when *Acrocanthosaurus* lived. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 During the Early Cretaceous, the southern coastline of North America was much farther \_\_\_\_\_ than it is today.
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ footprints can be observed in a stream bed near Kenton, Oklahoma.
- 8 To be preserved as fossils, animals must be buried rapidly by \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11 Abbreviation for workers who assisted scientific field parties in the collecting of dinosaur bones in Oklahoma during the Great Depression. \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 Southeastern Oklahoma was a \_\_\_\_\_ during the days of *Acrocanthosaurus*.
- 16 The meat-eating dinosaur *Acrocanthosaurus atokensis* was collected from Cretaceous-age deposits in \_\_\_\_\_ County.

WPA	OWEN	CRETACEOUS
VERTEBRATE	OUACHITA	COASTAL PLAIN
TYRANNOSAURUS REX	NORTH	CARNIVORES
SEDIMENTS	MESOZOIC	BRAIN
SAUROPODS	LIZARD	BIRDS
PREY	DINOSAURS	ATOKA
PLANTS	DINOSAUR	ANTLERS

Some of the words may be used more than once.

**WORD LIST**

# THOSE TERRIBLE "LIZARDS"—DINOSAURS OF OKLAHOMA

## Crossword Puzzle

The crossword puzzle grid consists of 20 numbered starting points for words:

- 1: 10 letters (down)
- 2: 4 letters (across)
- 3: 6 letters (across)
- 4: 4 letters (across)
- 5: 6 letters (across)
- 6: 4 letters (across)
- 7: 4 letters (across)
- 8: 10 letters (across)
- 9: 4 letters (across)
- 10: 4 letters (across)
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- 12: 4 letters (across)
- 13: 4 letters (across)
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- 15: 6 letters (across)
- 16: 6 letters (across)
- 17: 4 letters (across)
- 18: 4 letters (across)
- 19: 4 letters (across)
- 20: 6 letters (across)



## THOSE TERRIBLE "LIZARDS"—DINOSAURS OF OKLAHOMA

### Word Search

Look for the words below, all related to dinosaurs of Oklahoma. The words may read forward, backward, across, down, or diagonally. Further information on these words and their relation to dinosaurs of Oklahoma is included in the crossword puzzle.



### WORD LIST

Some of the words may be used more than once.

ANTLERS  
ATOKA  
BIRDS  
BRAIN  
CARNIVORES  
COASTAL PLAIN  
CRETACEOUS

DINOSAUR  
DINOSAURS  
LIZARD  
MESOZOIC  
NORTH  
OUACHITA  
OWEN

PLANTS  
PREY  
SAUROPODS  
SEDIMENTS  
TYRANNOSAURUS REX  
VERTEBRATE  
WPA

## GEODETECTIVES

### INDUSTRIAL MINERALS

Fill in the blanks with the correct answer. The first letter of each correct answer will give you clues to the name for nonfuel, nonmetallic minerals that have potential for economic use.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Oklahoma is now the sole source of domestic \_\_\_\_\_ in the United States, which is used for pharmaceuticals and disinfectants.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Some examples of \_\_\_\_\_ commodities include crushed stone, portland cement, and gypsum.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Oklahoma has a variety of sandstones, limestones, and granites suitable for \_\_\_\_\_ stone.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Asphalt forms where crude oil migrates \_\_\_\_\_ near the land surface, leaving a heavy residue.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Material called \_\_\_\_\_ represents deposits suitable for the manufacture of brick and tile products.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Important \_\_\_\_\_ deposits are present in northeastern Oklahoma, and this mineral is used as a mild abrasive or in buffing and polishing compounds.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Crushed granite is used mainly for \_\_\_\_\_ ballast (stone in railroad beds).
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Most shale deposits in Oklahoma contain \_\_\_\_\_ as the dominant clay mineral.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ An oil-based commodity used mainly as a road-surfacing and tar material in Oklahoma.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Oklahoma is the \_\_\_\_\_ producer of crude gypsum in the United States.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Gemstone production in Oklahoma includes fresh-water \_\_\_\_\_ shells and fresh-water pearls.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ Numerous and varied \_\_\_\_\_-mineral industries are active in 69 of Oklahoma's 77 counties.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ A number of major \_\_\_\_\_ salt springs have been used commercially since the turn of the 20th century.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ Oil, natural gas, and coal are all major sources of \_\_\_\_\_ to extract industrial-mineral resources.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ Limestone is used mainly as aggregate (crushed stone) in concrete, but it also is used in \_\_\_\_\_ construction.
16. \_\_\_\_\_ The major sources of rock asphalt and \_\_\_\_\_ are sedimentary rocks in and around the Arbuckle and Ouachita Mountains.
17. \_\_\_\_\_ Used as an aggregate in concrete, making cement, dimension stone, and road construction.
18. \_\_\_\_\_ Used primarily in recharging water softeners, for stock feed, food additives, and ice removal.

UPWARD  
TRIPOLI  
SHALE  
SALT

ROAD  
RAILROAD  
NONFUEL

NATURAL  
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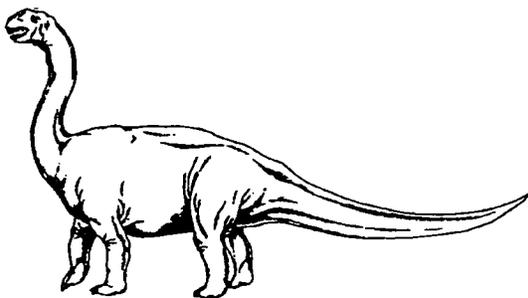
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# GEODETECTIVES

## OKLAHOMA DINOSAURS

Fill in the blanks with the correct answer. The first letter of each correct answer will give you clues to the name of the geologic period in which flying and many swimming reptiles, dinosaurs, and giant clams disappeared.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ *Acrocanthosaurus* was one of the largest \_\_\_\_\_ that lived during the Early Cretaceous.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Dinosaurs, along with flying and swimming \_\_\_\_\_, disappeared at the close of the Cretaceous Period.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ The “age of the dinosaurs” was the Mesozoic \_\_\_\_\_.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Supposedly the most ferocious dinosaur that ever lived was \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Cretaceous-age deposits in \_\_\_\_\_ County have yielded important dinosaur skeletons.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Southern Oklahoma was a \_\_\_\_\_ during the reign of *Acrocanthosaurus*.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Dinosaurs developed protective armor to prevent being attacked and \_\_\_\_\_ by predators.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ The name of the scientist who first used the word “dinosaur” in 1841 was \_\_\_\_\_.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ One of the largest collections of dinosaur skeletons in the \_\_\_\_\_ States is housed at the Oklahoma Museum of Natural History in Norman.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ This armor-plated dinosaur had a brain believed to be the size of a walnut.



UNITED  
TYRANNOSAURUS  
STEGOSAURUS  
REPTILES  
OWEN

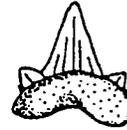
ERA  
EATEN  
COASTAL PLAIN  
CARNIVORES  
ATOKA

WORD LIST

**FOSSILS—DIGGING UP THE PAST  
PART 1**

Draw a line matching the fossil picture with the correct fossil name.

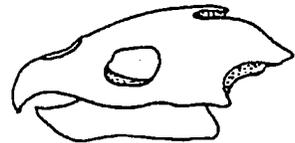
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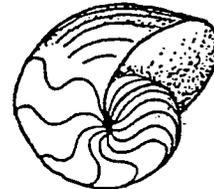
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SHARK TOOTH



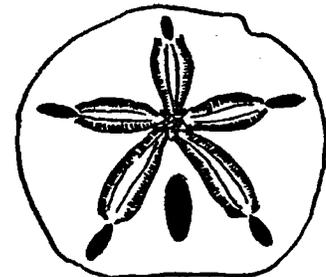
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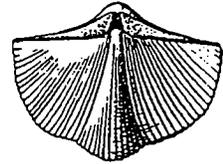
FOSSILS—DIGGING UP THE PAST  
PART 2

Draw a line matching the fossil picture with the correct fossil name.

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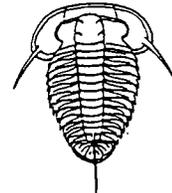
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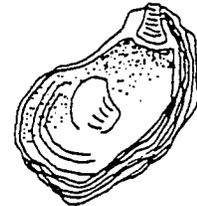
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TRILOBITE



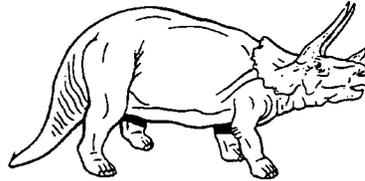
OYSTER



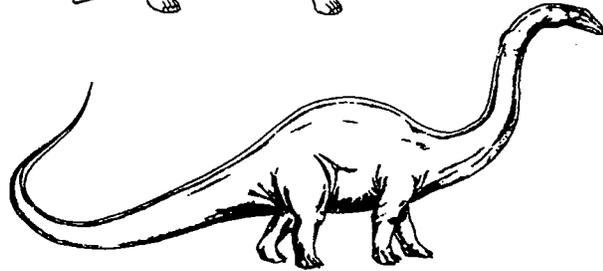
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Draw a line matching the dinosaur picture with the correct name of the dinosaur.

*Dromaesaurid*



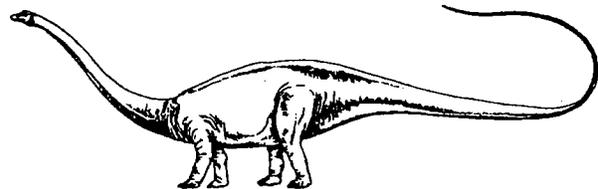
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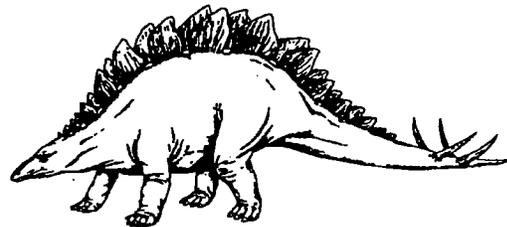
*Tyrannosaurus*



*Apatosaurus*



*Triceratops*



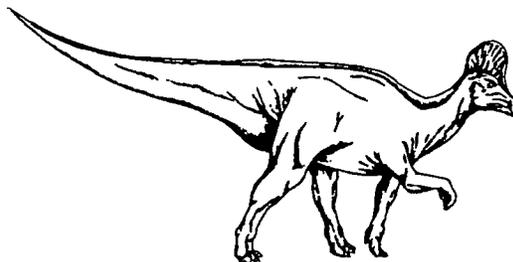
*Diplodocus*



# DINOSAURS IDENTIFIED PART 2

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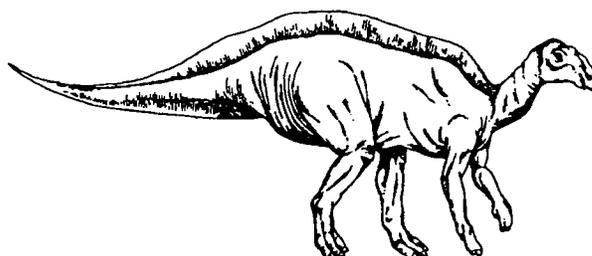
*Hadrosaurus*



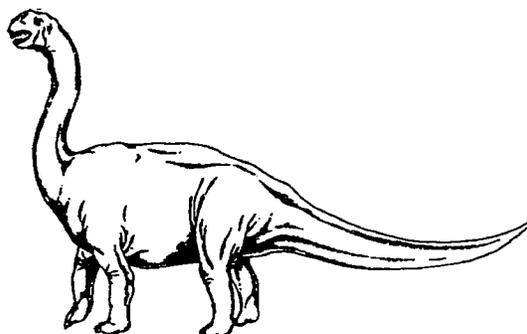
*Chasmosaurus*



*Camarasaurus*



*Corythosaurus*



*Deinonychus*



## SOME FACTS ABOUT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY— Word Unscramble

Unscramble the words in the sentences below to learn more about Oklahoma geology.

The highest elevation in Oklahoma is about 4,973 feet and is located at \_\_\_\_\_  
ablkc easm

in western Oklahoma. The three major mountain ranges in Oklahoma are the Arbuckles,  
Ouachitas, and \_\_\_\_\_. The two major rivers in Oklahoma are the Red and the  
tiswicha

\_\_\_\_\_. Most of the outcropping (exposed) rocks in Oklahoma are \_\_\_\_\_ in  
kasarnas demsirytnae

origin. The major source of ground \_\_\_\_\_ in Oklahoma is precipitation. The weathering  
rwate

of rocks is responsible for most of the \_\_\_\_\_ content of natural water. The light-colored,  
lirinmae

coarsely crystalline igneous rock \_\_\_\_\_ is also the name of an Oklahoma town. The  
egiantr

chemical element \_\_\_\_\_ is the name of an Oklahoma town and is used in making  
lusfru

matches. The official State rock is the \_\_\_\_\_ rock, commonly found in the Norman–Noble  
oers

area. Currently in Oklahoma there are no active \_\_\_\_\_. The official State \_\_\_\_\_  
cnsvloaoe ssflio

for the State of Oklahoma is a Jurassic-age dinosaur. Coal deposits in eastern Oklahoma were  
formed from the accumulation of \_\_\_\_\_ in swamps. The most severe storms in  
aptnls

Oklahoma consist of violently rotating columns of air called \_\_\_\_\_.  
sotondrea

The major geologic agents responsible for changing the surface of the State of Oklahoma  
through time are \_\_\_\_\_. The largest river in Oklahoma is the \_\_\_\_\_. The  
iervsr asaskarn

most common rank (type) of \_\_\_\_\_ produced in Oklahoma is bituminous. Most of the  
laoc

ground water in Oklahoma is used for \_\_\_\_\_. Oklahoma's major ground-water  
itiongarri

aquifers (permeable rocks or deposits that are water-bearing) are \_\_\_\_\_ deposits.  
tmeasr

## OKLAHOMA'S NATURAL RESOURCES— Word Unscramble

Unscramble the words in the sentences below to learn more about Oklahoma's natural resources.

The rock-forming mineral \_\_\_\_\_ has a hardness of 6 and is used in bath tiles, abrasives in cleansers, and roofing shingles. A common mineral extracted in the Oklahoma Panhandle with cubic cleavage and used as a food additive and for ice control on roads: \_\_\_\_\_.

The mineral \_\_\_\_\_ is mined in western Oklahoma and is used in wallboard and plaster of Paris.

The igneous rock \_\_\_\_\_ is quarried near Troy, Oklahoma, and is used as building trim and monuments. Oklahoma ranks no. 1 in the production of \_\_\_\_\_ from natural oil-field brines.

Oklahoma is one of the very few places in the world where sand rosettes (State rock) composed of the mineral \_\_\_\_\_ are found. High-purity silica sand from the \_\_\_\_\_ Mountains is used primarily for glass making. Oklahoma ranks no. 1 in the production of the mineral \_\_\_\_\_.

The fuel resource in Oklahoma that may cause acid-mine drainage is called \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ industry has been the greatest single source of revenue in Oklahoma every year since Statehood.

Most Oklahoma coal has been mined by \_\_\_\_\_ methods. Oklahoma is the largest exporter of \_\_\_\_\_ to out-of-state markets.

Oklahoma's production of oil per day is less than \_\_\_\_\_ % of U.S. production. Crushed granite is used mainly for \_\_\_\_\_ ballast.

The sedimentary rock \_\_\_\_\_ is used for the manufacture of brick and tile products. Some examples of \_\_\_\_\_ commodities include crushed stone, portland cement, and gypsum.

## EVERYDAY USE OF OKLAHOMA RESOURCES

The following mineral and rock resources are common to Oklahoma. Match the name of the mineral/rock with its everyday use by putting the correct number in the blank next to its common economic use.

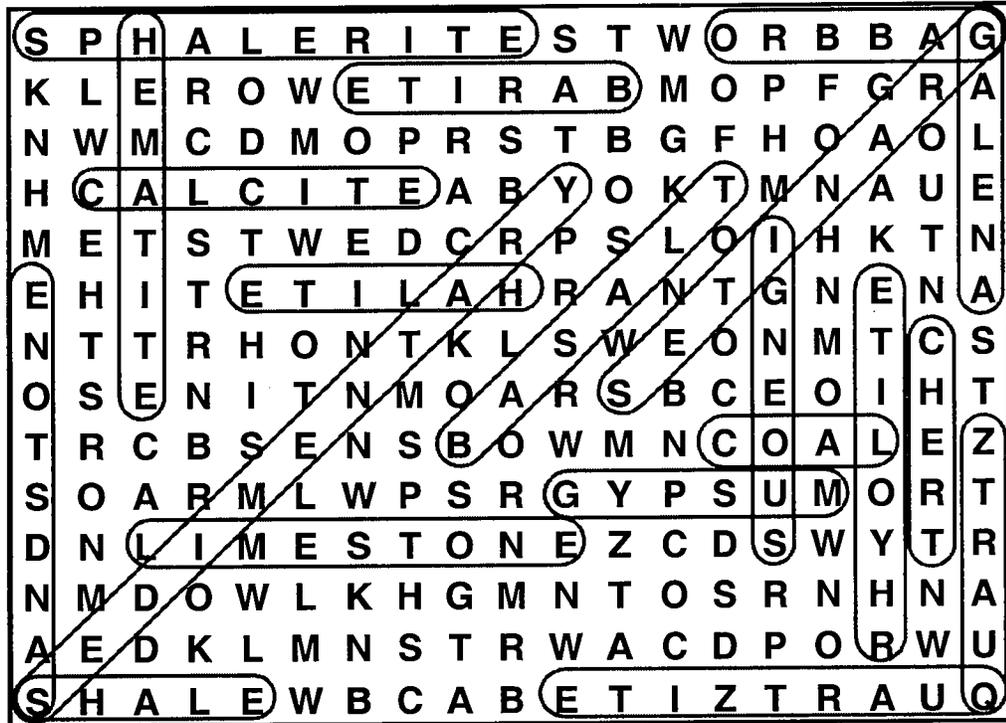
<u>MINERAL/ROCK RESOURCES</u>	<u>ECONOMIC USE</u>
1. Silica sand	_____ Building construction
2. Galena (lead)	_____ Building stone; abrasive
3. Gypsum	_____ Road aggregate; brick making; ceramics
4. Sphalerite (zinc)	_____ Building stone; monuments; headstones
5. Clay	_____ Combs; clothing; energy
6. Sand/gravel	_____ Road deicer; food preservative
7. Granite	_____ Wallboard; plaster of Paris
8. Shale	_____ Ceramics; glossy paper; pottery
9. Sandstone	_____ Portland cement; road aggregate; riprap; building stone
10. Iodine	_____ Glass making; ceramics; transistors
11. Halite (salt)	_____ Chief ore of lead; fishing sinkers; solder; pewter
12. Petroleum	_____ Generating electricity; methane gas; coke for steel manufacturing
13. Limestone	_____ Principal ore of zinc; used to galvanize steel for rain gutters
14. Coal	_____ Pharmaceuticals; salt

***ANSWERS  
FOR  
ACTIVITIES***



MINERALS AND ROCKS OF OKLAHOMA

Word Search (page 3)



# GENERAL GEOLOGY OF OKLAHOMA

Crossword Puzzle (pages 4-5)

1A: A

2R: ROCKS

3S: SEDIMENTARY

4R: ROCKS

5W: WICHITA

6L: LANDFORMS

7B: BLACCK

8G: GEOLOGIST

9P: PERMIAN

10O: OLIGIST

11Q: QUARTZ

12P: PALEOZOIC

13A: ANIMALS

14K: KANSAS

15F: FLINT

16C: CLINE

17I: IGNEOUS

18B: BLACKMESSA

19P: PRAIRIE

20L: LAKE

21A: RABBIT

22I: IZO

23A: ROCKS

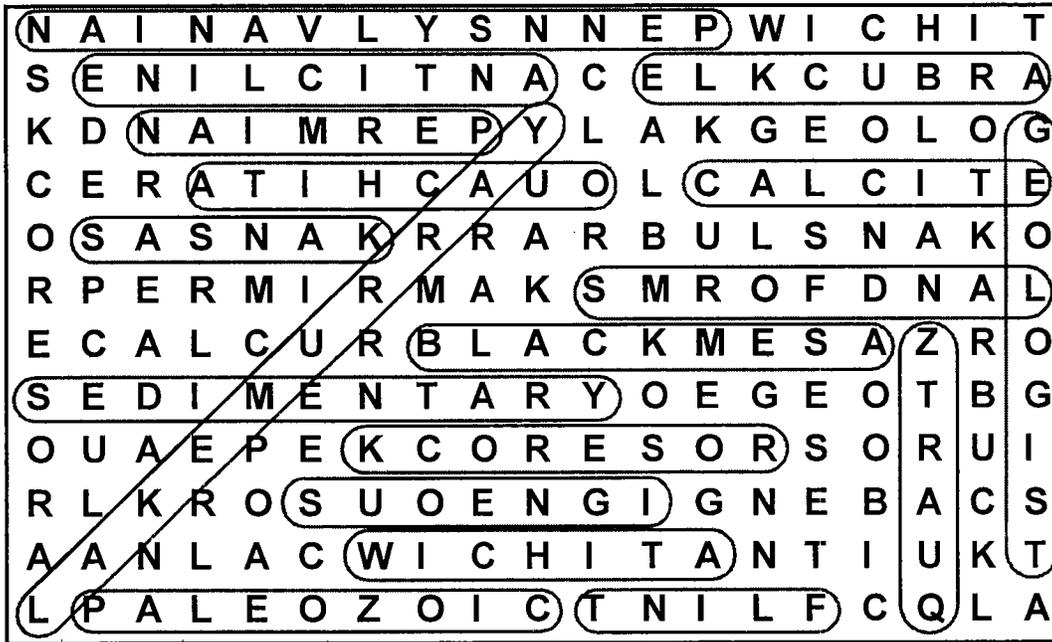
24O: OUS

25W: WICHITA

26P: PALEOZOIC

# GENERAL GEOLOGY OF OKLAHOMA

## Word Search (page 6)





A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—(Part 1)

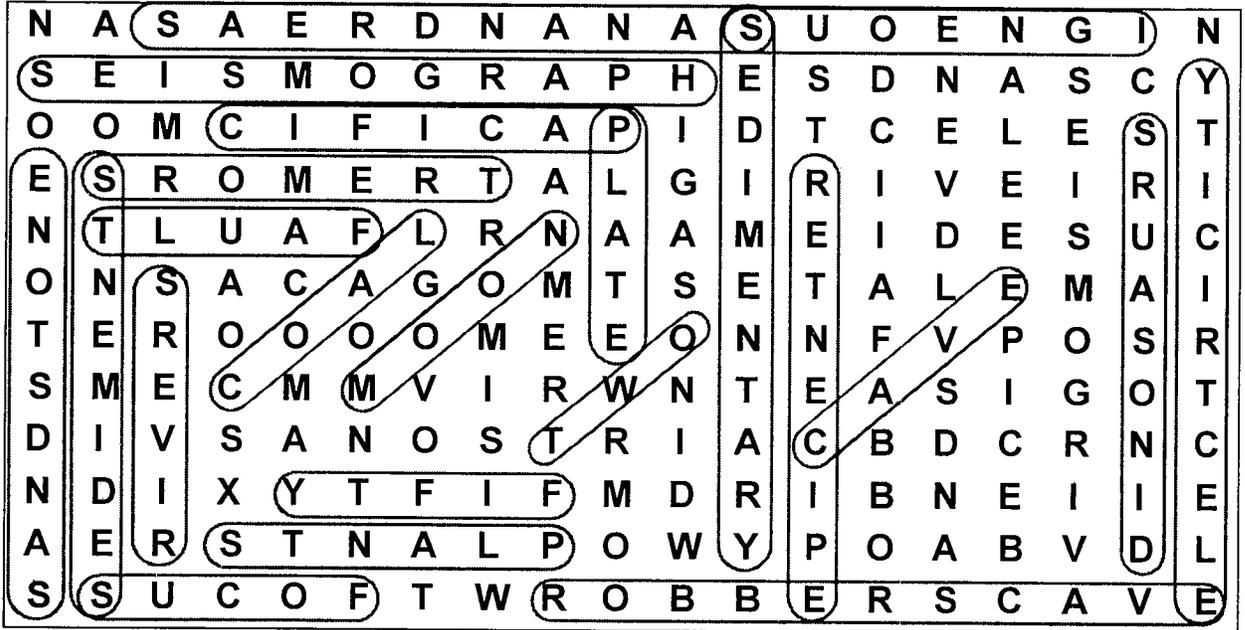
Word Search (page 9)

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A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY—(Part 2)

Word Search (page 12)





ARBUCKLE MOUNTAINS

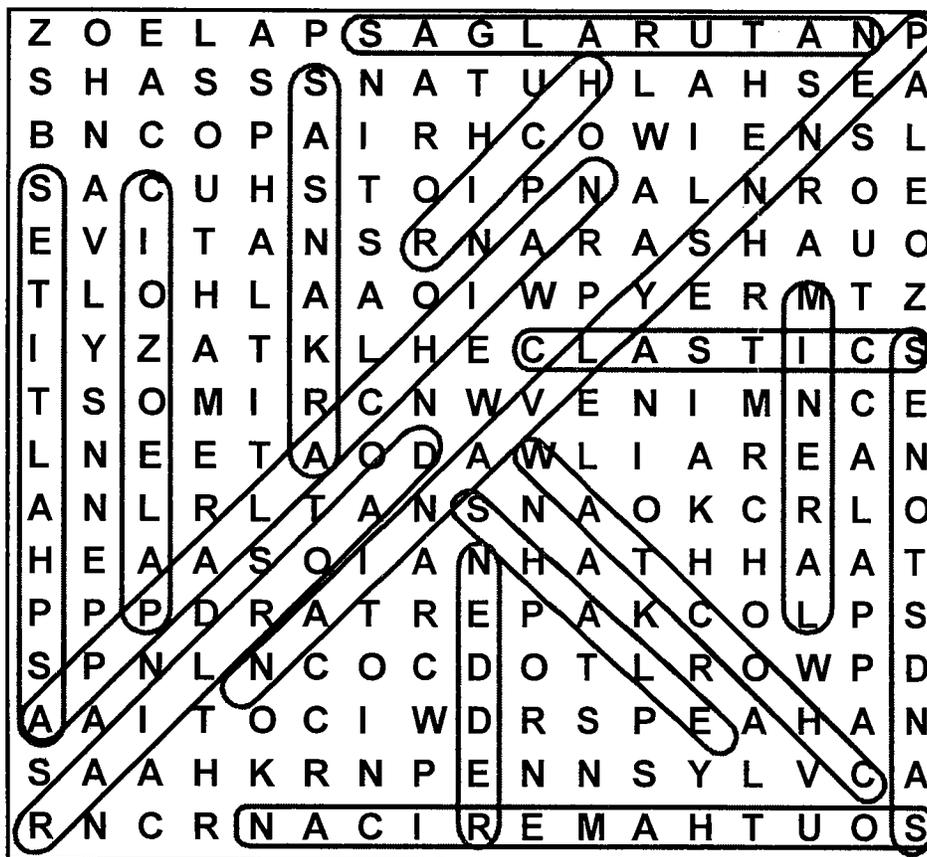
Word Search (page 15)

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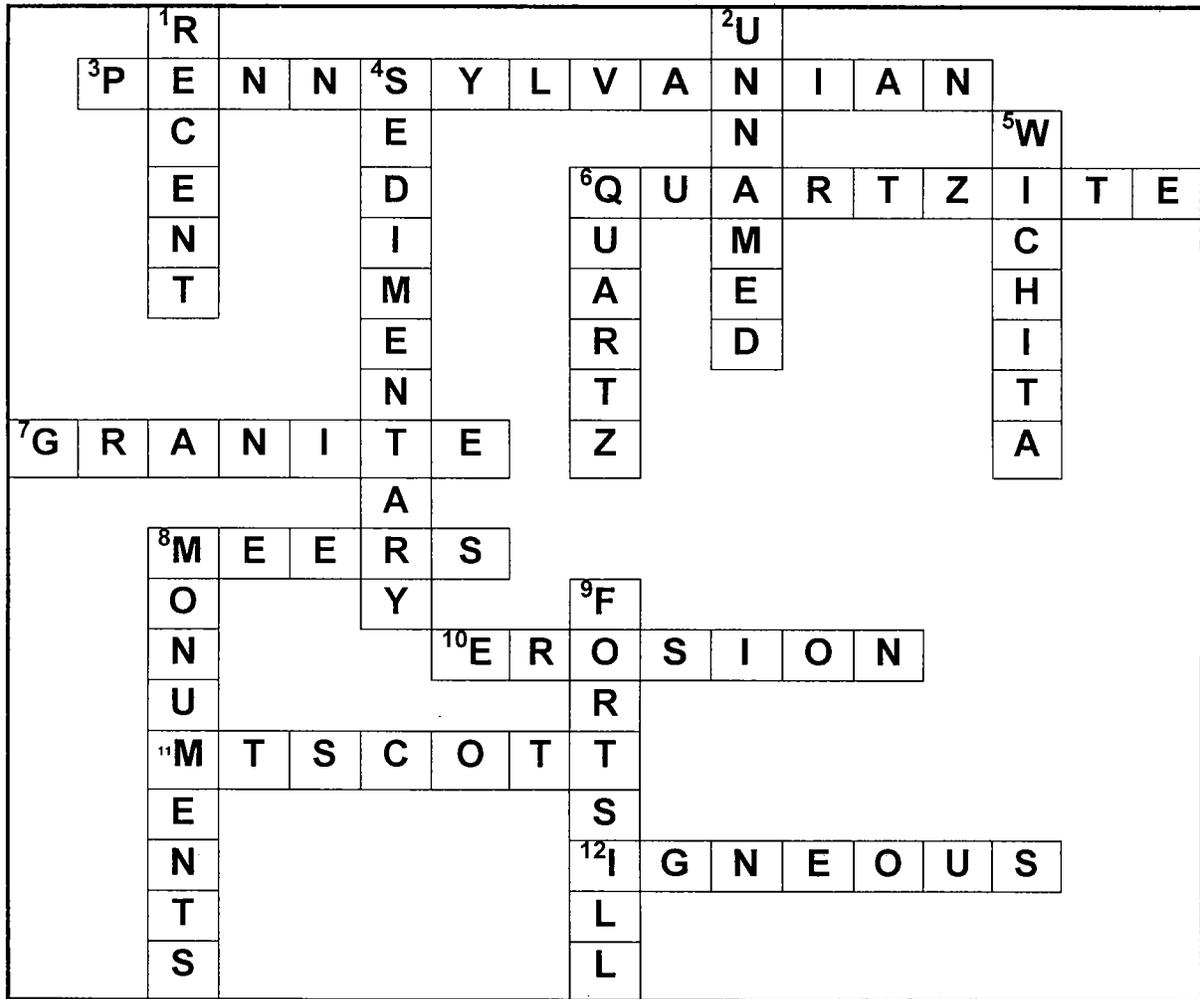
# OUACHITA MOUNTAINS

## Word Search (page 18)



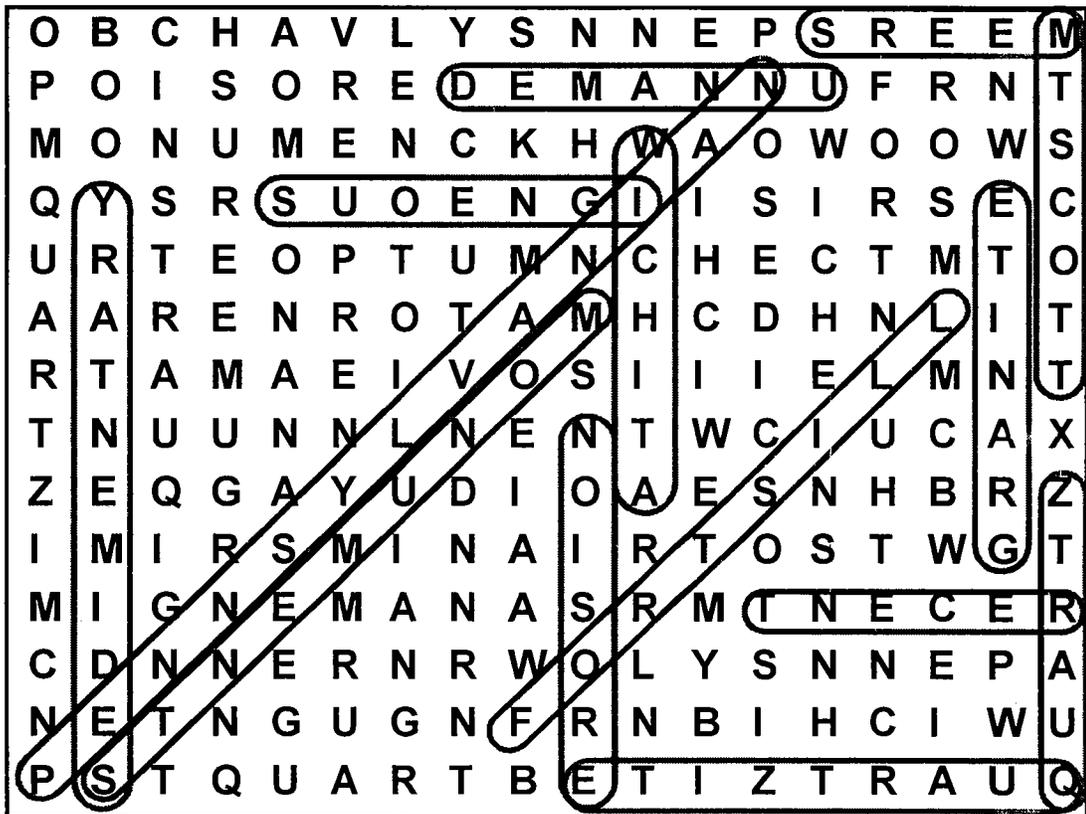
# WICHITA MOUNTAINS

## Crossword Puzzle (pages 19-20)



# WICHITA MOUNTAINS

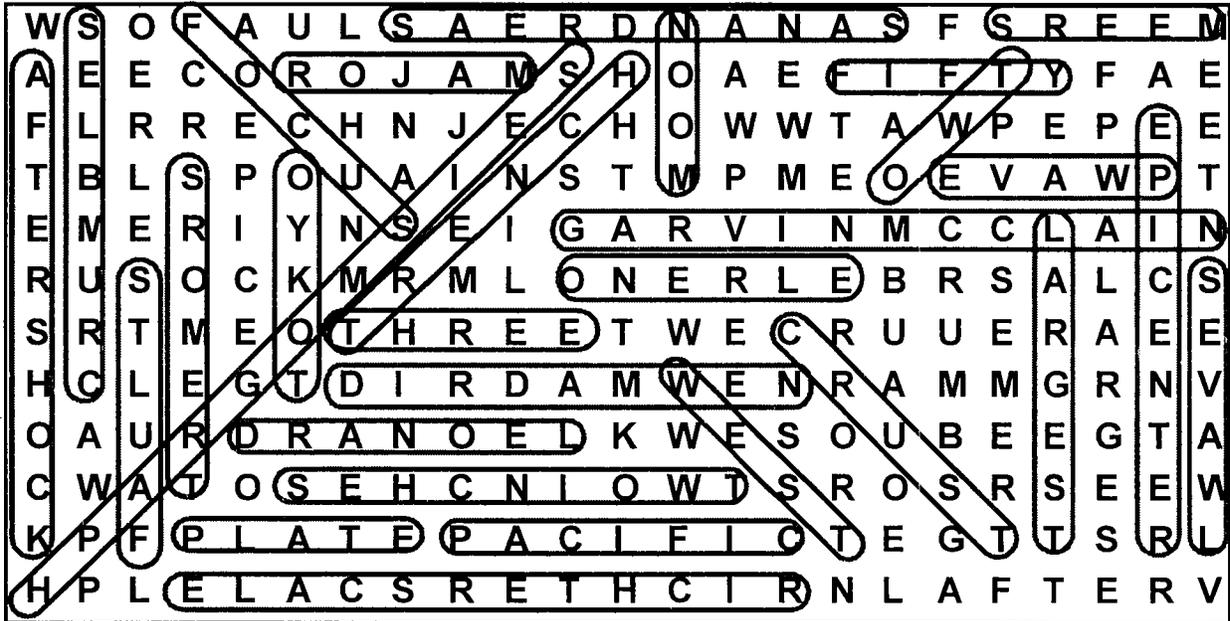
Word Search (page 21)





THERE'S A WHOLE LOTTA SHAKIN' GOIN' ON—  
OKLAHOMA EARTHQUAKES

Word Search (page 24)





# WATER RESOURCES IN OKLAHOMA

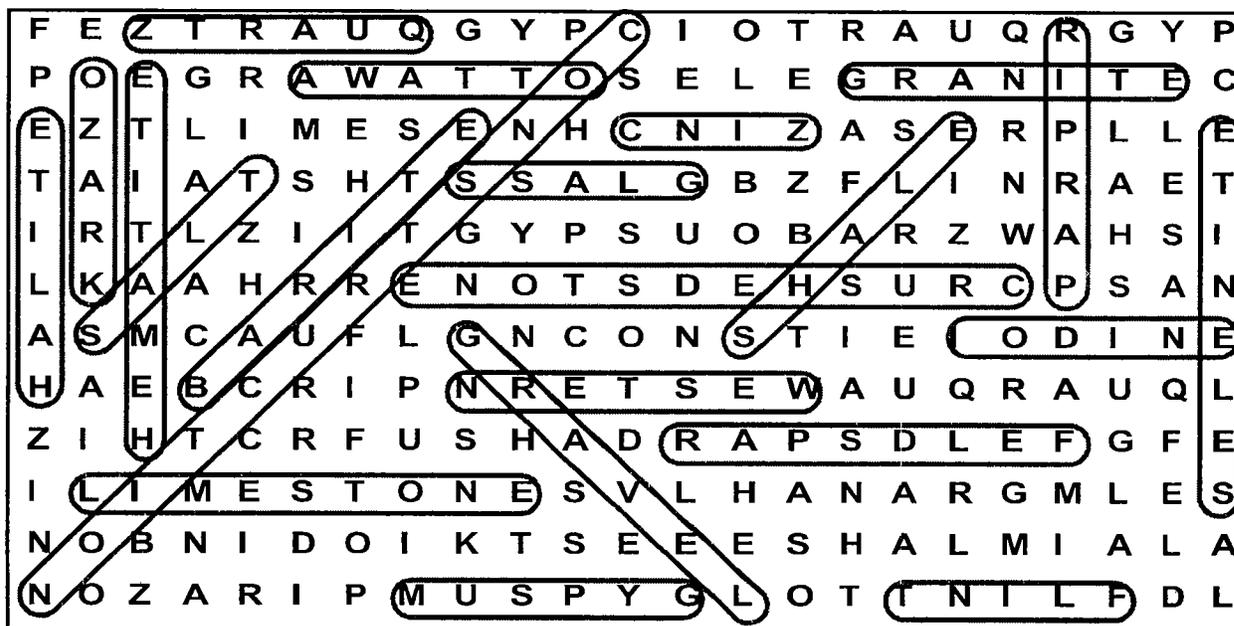
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# NONFUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA

## Word Search (page 30)



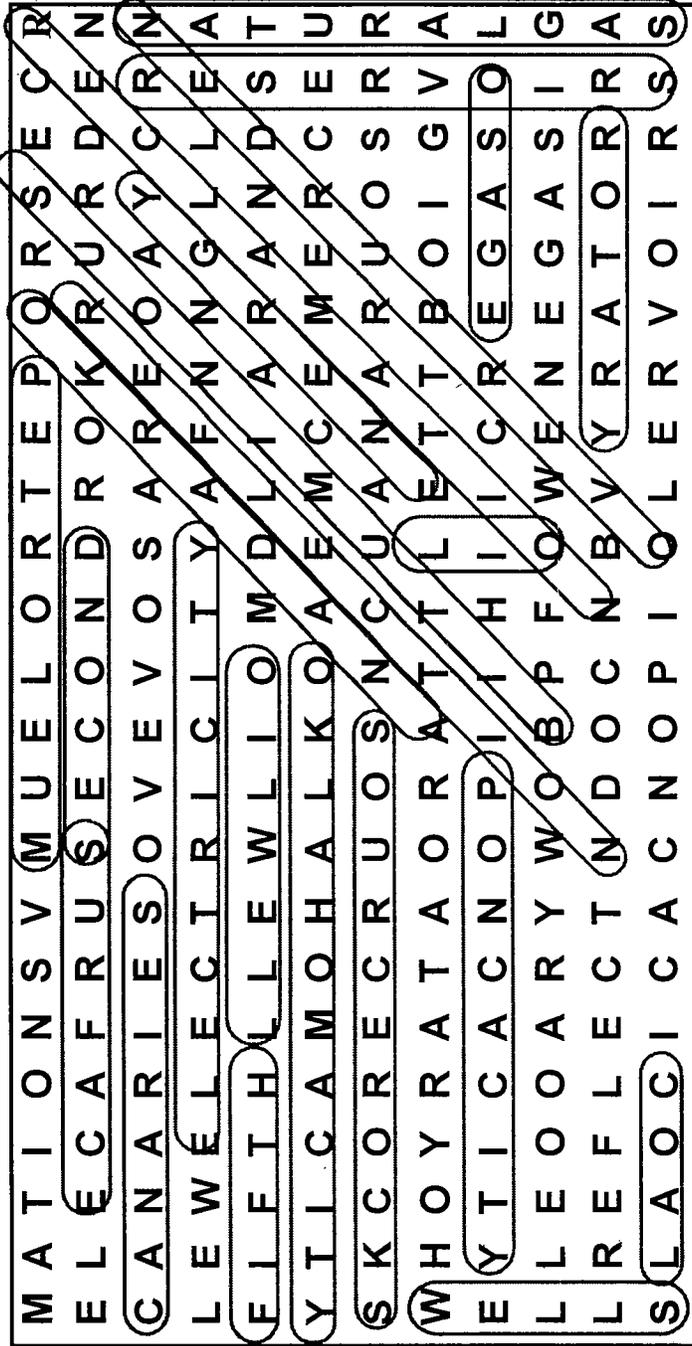






FUEL RESOURCES OF OKLAHOMA

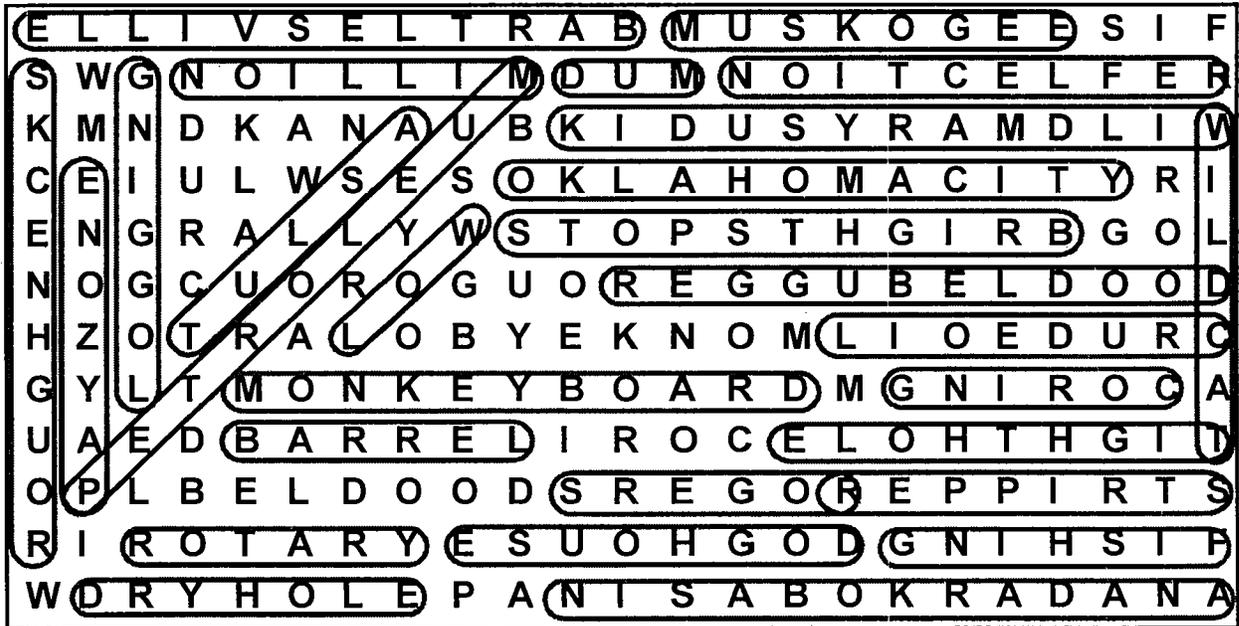
Word Search (page 36)





"BLACK GOLD"—OKLAHOMA OIL TRIVIA

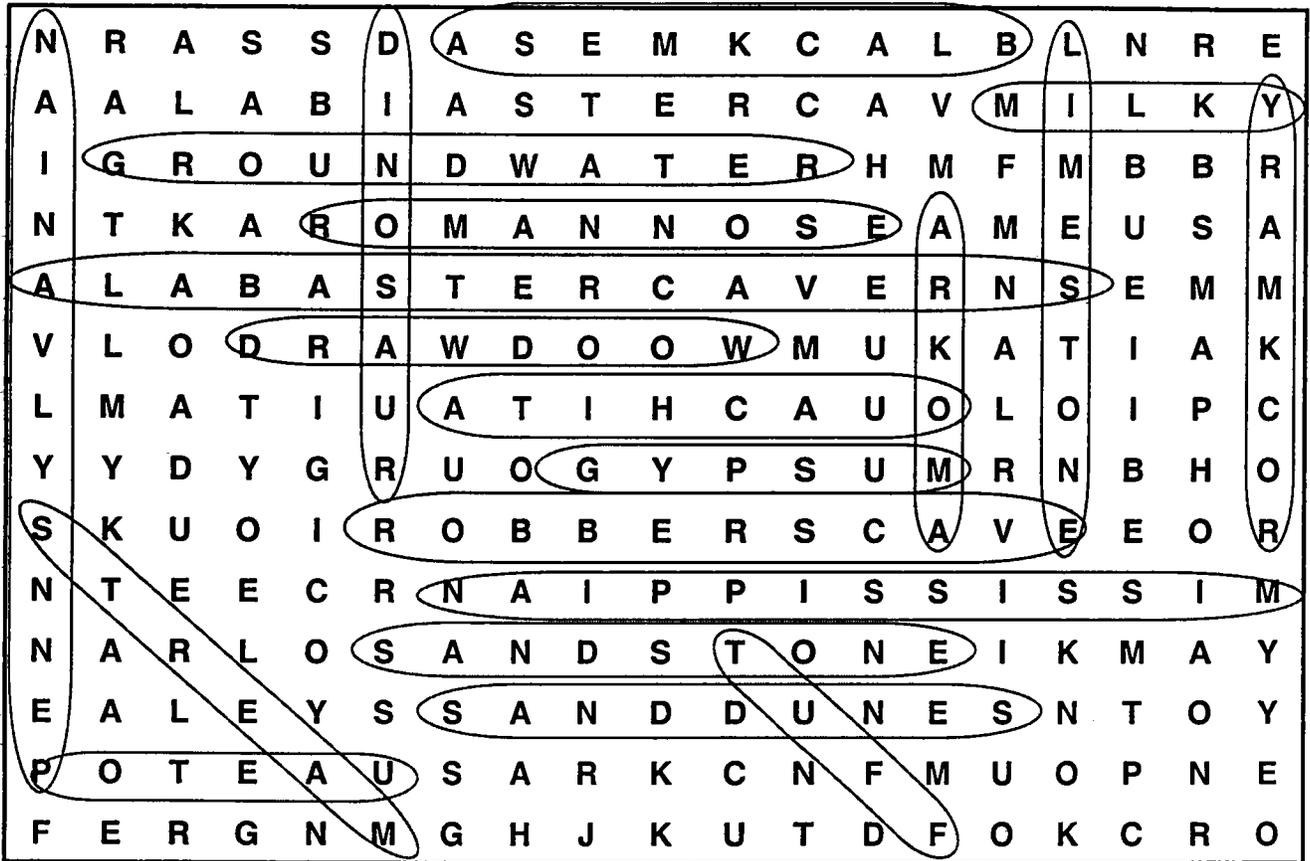
Word Search (page 39)





"GEOLOGIC SCENERY"—A LOOK AT OKLAHOMA'S STATE PARKS

Word Search (page 42)



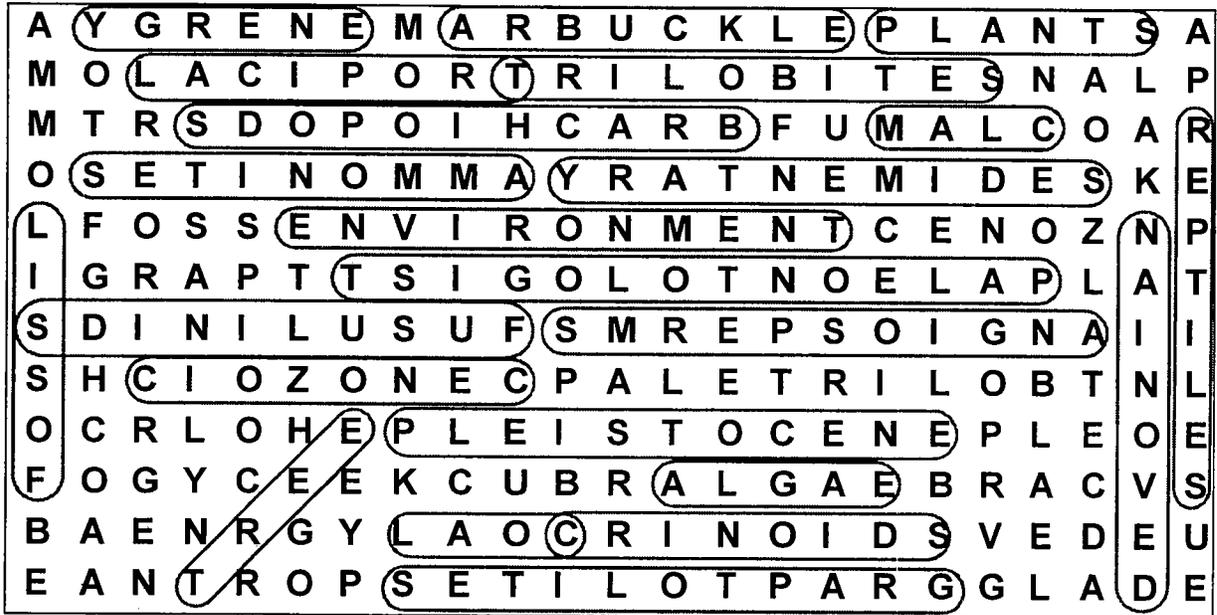






TREASURES BURIED IN ROCKS"—OKLAHOMA FOSSILS

Word Search (page 48)





# THOSE TERRIBLE "LIZARDS"—DINOSAURS OF OKLAHOMA

Word Search (page 51)

A	T	O	K	W	O	N	N	B	A	K	O	T	A	S	A	N	O	W	C	R	N	N
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## GEODETECTIVES

### INDUSTRIAL MINERALS—(page 52)

- |     |   |           |   |
|-----|---|-----------|---|
| 1.  | I | odine     | Oklahoma is now the sole source of domestic _____ in the United States, which is used for pharmaceuticals and disinfectants.                      |
| 2.  | N | onfuel    | Some examples of _____ commodities include crushed stone, portland cement, and gypsum.  |
| 3.  | D | imension  | Oklahoma has a variety of sandstones, limestones, and granites suitable for _____ stone.  |
| 4.  | U | pward     | Asphalt forms where crude oil migrates _____ near the land surface leaving a heavy residue.   |
| 5.  | S | hale      | Material called _____ represents deposits suitable for the manufacture of brick and tile products.  |
| 6.  | T | ripoli    | Important _____ deposits are present in northeastern Oklahoma, and this mineral is used as a mild abrasive or in buffing and polishing compounds. |
| 7.  | R | ailroad   | Crushed granite is used mainly for _____ ballast (stone in railroad beds).  |
| 8.  | I | llite     | Most shale deposits in Oklahoma contain _____ as the dominant clay mineral.   |
| 9.  | A | sphal     | An oil-based commodity used mainly as a road-surfacing and tar material in Oklahoma.  |
| 10. | L | eading    | Oklahoma is the _____ producer of crude gypsum in the United States.  |
| 11. | M | ussel     | Gemstone production in Oklahoma includes fresh-water _____ shells and fresh-water pearls.   |
| 12. | I | ndustrial | Numerous and varied _____-mineral sites are active in 69 of Oklahoma's 77 counties.   |
| 13. | N | atural    | A number of major _____ salt springs have been used commercially since the turn of the 20th century.  |
| 14. | E | nergy     | Oil, natural gas, and coal are all major sources of _____ to extract industrial-mineral resources.  |
| 15. | R | oad       | Limestone is used mainly as aggregate (crushed stone) in concrete, but it also is used in _____ construction.                                     |
| 16. | A | sphal     | The major sources of rock asphalt and _____ are sedimentary rocks in and around the Arbuckle and Ouachita Mountains.                              |
| 17. | L | imestone  | Used as an aggregate in concrete, making cement, dimension stone, and road construction.  |
| 18. | S | alt       | Used primarily in recharging water softeners, for stock feed, food additives, and ice removal.  |

Answer: *Industrial Minerals*

## GEODETECTIVES

### OKLAHOMA DINOSAURS (page 53)

- |     |                       |   |
|-----|-----------------------|---|
| 1.  | <b>C</b> ARNIVORES    | <i>Acrocanthosaurus</i> was one of the largest _____ that lived during the Early Cretaceous.  |
| 2.  | <b>R</b> EPTILES      | Dinosaurs, along with flying and swimming _____, disappeared at the close of the Cretaceous Period.                                     |
| 3.  | <b>E</b> RA           | The “age of the dinosaurs” was the Mesozoic _____.  |
| 4.  | <b>T</b> YRANNOSAURUS | Supposedly the most ferocious dinosaur that ever lived was _____.   |
| 5.  | <b>A</b> TOKA         | Cretaceous-age deposits in _____ County have yielded important dinosaur skeletons.  |
| 6.  | <b>C</b> OASTAL PLAIN | Southern Oklahoma was a _____ during the reign of <i>Acrocanthosaurus</i> .   |
| 7.  | <b>E</b> ATEN         | Dinosaurs developed protective armor to prevent being attacked and _____ by predators.  |
| 8.  | <b>O</b> WEN          | The name of the scientist who first used the word “dinosaur” in 1841 was _____.   |
| 9.  | <b>U</b> NITED        | One of the largest collections of dinosaur skeletons in the _____ States is housed at the Oklahoma Museum of Natural History in Norman. |
| 10. | <b>S</b> TEGOSAURUS   | This armor-plated dinosaur had a brain believed to be the size of a walnut.   |

Answer: *Cretaceous*

# FOSSILS—DIGGING UP THE PAST

## PART 1 (page 54)

Draw a line matching the fossil picture with the correct fossil name

ECHINOID

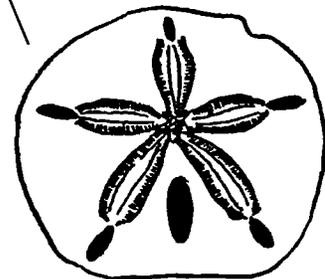
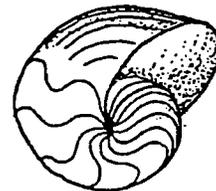
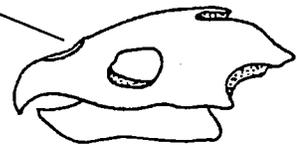
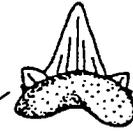
MARINE TURTLE SKULL

SHARK TOOTH

CEPHALOPOD

CLAM

CORAL



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GASTROPOD (SNAIL)

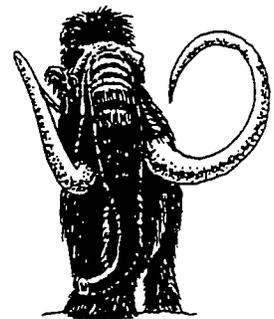
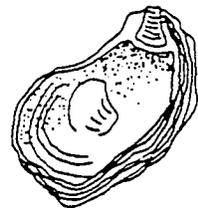
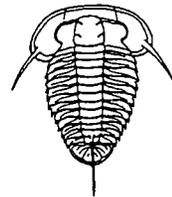
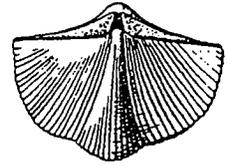
WOOLY MAMMOTH

CRINOID

BRACHIOPOD

TRILOBITE

OYSTER



DINOSAURS IDENTIFIED  
PART 1 (page 56)

*Dromaesaurid*

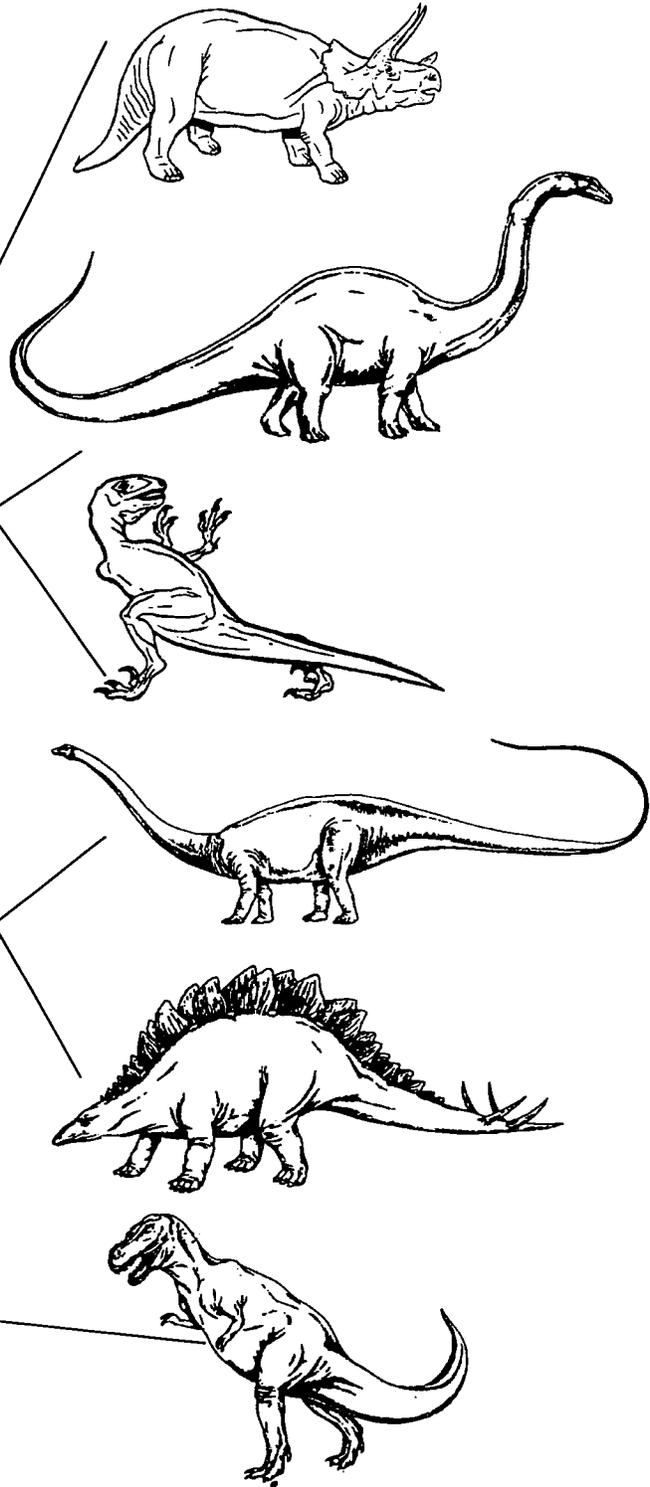
*Stegosaurus*

*Tyrannosaurus*

*Apatosaurus*

*Triceratops*

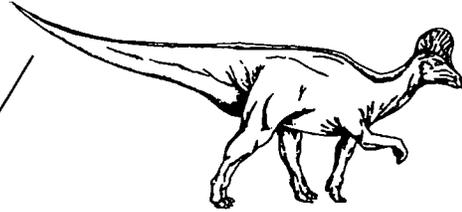
*Diplodocus*



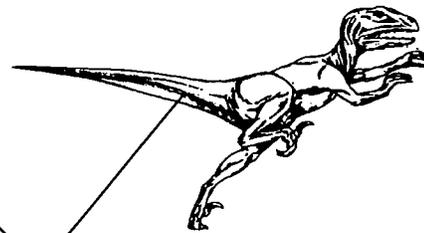
**DINOSAURS IDENTIFIED**  
**PART 2 (page 57)**

Draw a line matching the dinosaur picture with the correct name of the dinosaur.

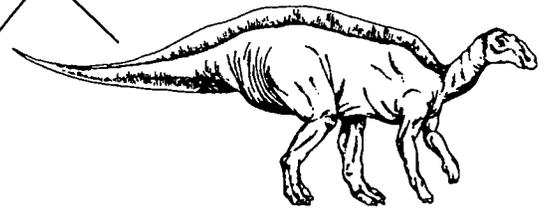
*Hadrosaurus*



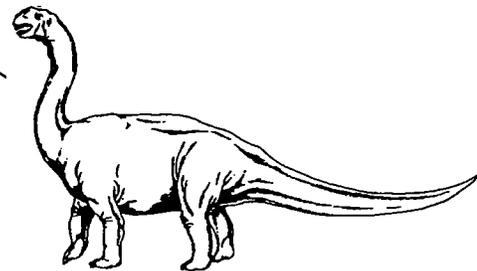
*Chasmosaurus*



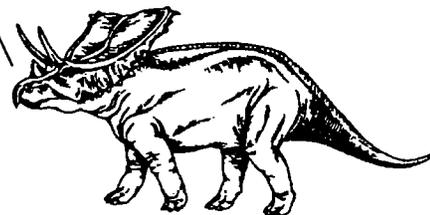
*Camarasaurus*



*Corythosaurus*



*Deiononychus*



## SOME FACTS ABOUT OKLAHOMA GEOLOGY

### Word Unscramble (page 58)

The highest elevation in Oklahoma is about 4,973 feet and is located at Black Mesa in  
ablkc easm  
western Oklahoma. The three major mountain ranges in Oklahoma are the Arbuckles,  
Ouachitas, and Wichitas. The two major rivers in Oklahoma are the Red and the  
tiswicha  
Arkansas. Most of the outcropping (exposed) rocks in Oklahoma are sedimentary in  
kasarnas demsirytnae  
origin. The major source of ground water in Oklahoma is precipitation. The weathering  
rwate  
of rocks is responsible for most of the mineral content of natural water. The light-colored,  
lirinmae  
coarsely crystalline igneous rock granite is also the name of an Oklahoma town. The  
egiantr  
chemical element sulfur is the name of an Oklahoma town (Sulphur) and is used in making  
lusfru  
matches. The official State rock is the rose rock, commonly found in the Norman–Noble  
oers  
area. Currently in Oklahoma there are no active volcanoes. The official State fossil  
cnsvloaee ssflio  
for the State of Oklahoma is a Jurassic-age dinosaur. Coal deposits in eastern Oklahoma  
were formed from the accumulation of plants in swamps. The most severe storms in  
aptnls  
Oklahoma consist of violently rotating columns of air called tornadoes.  
sotondrea  
The major geologic agents responsible for changing the surface of the State of Oklahoma  
through time are rivers. The largest river in Oklahoma is the arkansas. The  
iervsr asaskarn  
most common rank (type) of coal produced in Oklahoma is bituminous. Most of the  
laoc  
ground water in Oklahoma is used for irrigation. Oklahoma's major ground-water  
itiongarri  
aquifers (permeable rocks or deposits that are water-bearing) are stream deposits.  
tmeasr

**OKLAHOMA'S NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**Word Unscramble (page 59)**

The rock-forming mineral feldspar has a hardness of 6 and is used in bath tiles, abrasives in cleansers, and roofing shingles. A common mineral extracted in the Oklahoma Panhandle with cubic cleavage and used as a food additive and for ice control on roads: halite.

The mineral gypsum is mined in western Oklahoma and is used in wallboard and plaster of Paris. The igneous rock granite is quarried near Troy, Oklahoma, and is used as building trim and monuments. Oklahoma ranks no. 1 in the production of iodine from natural oil-field brines.

Oklahoma is one of the very few places in the world where sand rosettes (State rock) composed of the mineral barite are found. High-purity silica sand from the Arbuckle Mountains is used primarily for glass making. Oklahoma ranks no. 1 in the production of the mineral gypsum.

The fuel resource in Oklahoma that may cause acid-mine drainage is called coal. The petroleum industry has been the greatest single source of revenue in Oklahoma every year since Statehood. Most Oklahoma coal has been mined by surface methods. Oklahoma is the largest exporter of natural gas to out-of-state markets. Oklahoma's production of oil per day is less than four % of U.S. production. Crushed granite is used mainly for railroad ballast.

The sedimentary rock shale is used for the manufacture of brick and tile products. Some examples of nonfuel commodities include crushed stone, portland cement, and gypsum.

## EVERYDAY USE OF OKLAHOMA RESOURCES (page 60)

<u>MINERAL/ROCK RESOURCES</u>	<u>ECONOMIC USE</u>
1. Silica sand	<u>6</u> Building construction
2. Galena (lead)	<u>9</u> Building stone; abrasive
3. Gypsum	<u>8</u> Road aggregate; brick making; ceramics
4. Sphalerite (zinc)	<u>7</u> Building stone; monuments; headstones
5. Clay	<u>12</u> Combs; clothing; energy
6. Sand/gravel	<u>11</u> Road deicer; food preservative
7. Granite	<u>3</u> Wallboard; plaster of Paris
8. Shale	<u>5</u> Ceramics; glossy paper; pottery
9. Sandstone	<u>13</u> Portland cement; road aggregate; riprap; building stone
10. Iodine	<u>1</u> Glass making; ceramics; transistors
11. Halite (salt)	<u>2</u> Chief ore of lead; fishing sinkers; solder; pewter
12. Petroleum	<u>14</u> Generating electricity; methane gas; coke for steel manufacturing
13. Limestone	<u>4</u> Principal ore of zinc; used to galvanize steel for rain gutters
14. Coal	<u>10</u> Pharmaceuticals; salt