

The rules are simple and can be easily modified to fit individual use and/or functioning levels. Players throw the **Toss 'n Talk-About™ USA State Trivia Ball** back and forth. When the ball is caught, the player responds to the question, or names three items that fit into the category directly under his or her right thumb. If the ball is caught so that the player's thumb is in a blank space, the player simply tosses the ball to the next player. If player's thumb is touching more than one item, the player may choose between the categories covered.

Variations:

1. Additional points may be given for each additional answer beyond the original 3.
2. Divide players into teams and have them write their answer onto paper. 10 points for each correct answer. The team with the most points wins!
3. More fun than musical chairs! Keep the ball moving from player to player while patriotic music is playing. When the leader stops the music, the player holding the ball must name 3 items that fit into the category, or try to answer the trivia question covered by his/her thumb.
4. Make the game more challenging by offering multiple choice answers for each question. Players receive 10 points for a correct answer, but must deduct 5 points for incorrect answers. Players with the most points win! Answers may not be repeated.
5. Use the blank areas on the ball to write in any additional questions or trivia.

Answer to USA State Trivia Ball Questions:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What state's capital is Montgomery? (Alabama) 2. What state's abbreviation is AK? (Alaska) 3. Where is the Grand Canyon? (Arizona) 4. What state's capital is Little Rock? (Arkansas) 5. Which state has most professional sports teams? (California) 6. What state is home to the mile high city? (Colorado) 7. What do you call a person who lives in Connecticut? (Nutmegger) 8. True or False: The capital of Delaware is Wilmington. (False – It's Dover) 9. What is Florida's Nickname? (The Sunshine State) 10. What is the capital of Georgia? (Atlanta) 11. What was the last state added to the Union? (Hawaii) 12. True or False: The capital of Illinois is Springfield. (True) 13. The capital of this state is Des Moines. (Iowa) 14. This is where Dorothy lived. (Kansas) 15. The Bluegrass State. (Kentucky) 16. Where do you go for Mardi Gras? (Louisiana) 17. Which is the Eastern-most state? (Maine) 18. Home of the U.S. Naval Academy. (Maryland) 19. Where is Plymouth Rock? (Massachusetts) 20. Lansing is the capital of which state? (Michigan) 21. What state is home of the world famous Mayo Clinic? (Minnesota) 22. What is the capital of Mississippi? (Jackson) 23. This is the "Show Me State"? (Missouri) 24. Can you name one of the 3 states included in Yellowstone National Park? (Montana, Wyoming, Idaho) 25. This is the birthplace of President Gerald Ford. (Nebraska) 26. What is the largest gold-producing state in the nation? (Nevada) 27. What state's motto is "Live Free or Die"? (New Hampshire) 28. This is known as the Garden State? (New Jersey) 29. True or false: New Mexico's state bird is the roadrunner? (True) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 30. This state is the birthplace of presidents Martin Van Buren, Millard Fillmore, Theodore Roosevelt and Franklin Delano Roosevelt. (New York) 31. This is where the Wright brother made aviation history. (North Carolina) 32. True or False: Water is the official state beverage of North Dakota? (False – it's milk) 33. Which state is home to over 20 astronauts, including Neil Armstrong and John Glenn? (Ohio) 34. Can you name one of the only 2 states whose capital includes the name of the state? (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Indianapolis, Indiana) 35. Which is the only state in the nation to have an official state nut? (Oregon – It's the hazelnut) 36. In which state did Betsy Ross sew the first American flag? (Pennsylvania) 37. Which is the smallest state in the nation? (Rhode Island) 38. The first battle of the U.S. Civil War took place at this state's Fort Sumter. (South Carolina) 39. Where is Mount Rushmore? (South Dakota) 40. In which state would you visit Elvis' Graceland? (Tennessee) 41. Where would you go to "Remember the Alamo"? (Texas) 42. This is "The Beehive State". (Utah) 43. What is the capital of Vermont? (Montpelier) 44. Which state was home to 8 former presidents, including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and James Madison? (Virginia) 45. Which is the only state to be named after a U.S. President? (Washington) 46. This is "The Mountain State". (West Virginia) 47. Which state's famous residents include Harry Houdini and General Douglas MacArthur? (Wisconsin) |
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