Roger Williams National Memorial

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National Park Service

This Junior Ranger Booklet Belongs to:

DIRECTIONS

As you complete the activities in this booklet, you will learn about Roger Williams and his beliefs about religious freedom.

To the Junior Ranger Candidate:

This booklet uses a numbering system. You will see the number of points you will receive for completing an activity at the bottom of each page.

Write your age in the box below. Whatever your age is, that's the minimum number of points you need to earn to become a Junior Ranger. Before starting, browse through the bookletand pick the activities you may want to complete.

When you are done, find a Roger Williams National Memorial Park Ranger to check your completed activities.

Your Age:

(minimum number of points needed)

Total Points:

(your points added together)

FINISH THE SHIELD

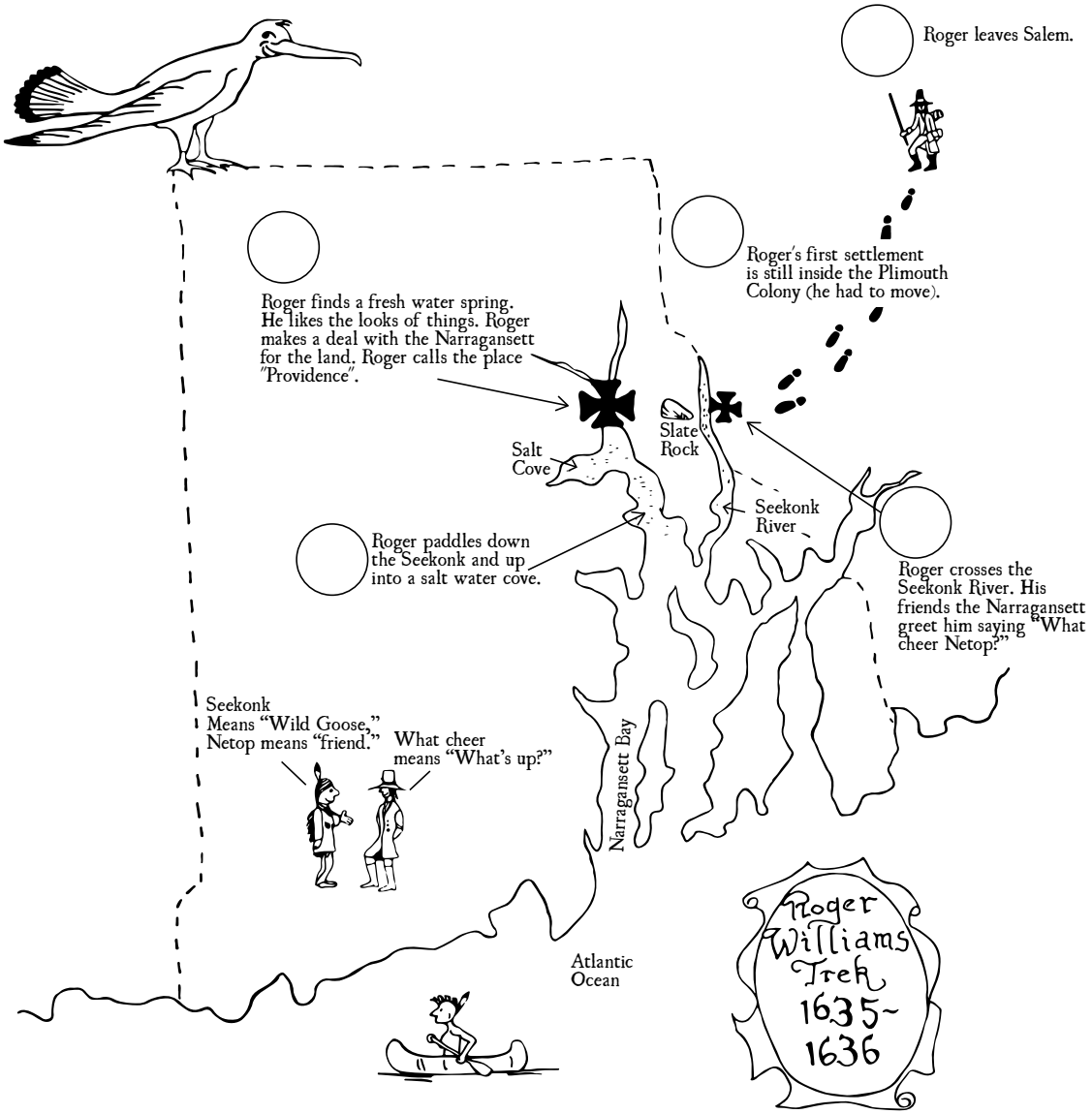
Find a shield in the park and finish drawing the incomplete one shown below.

The National Park Service preserves and protects very special places. Yellowstone, Grand Canyon and Statue of Liberty are a few of the more famous national parks. However, the National Park Service is very diverse and also includes the birthplaces of famous people, significant battlefields, and sites commemorating special events from our nation's history.

1 point

ROGER WILLIAMS VIDEO

Watch the 5 minute video and sequence the places Roger visited on the map in chronological order.



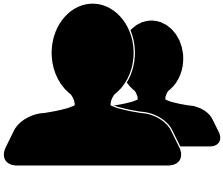
4 points

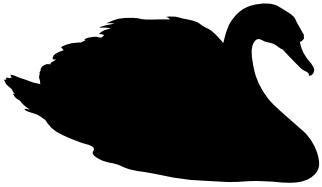
KEY INTO LANGUAGE

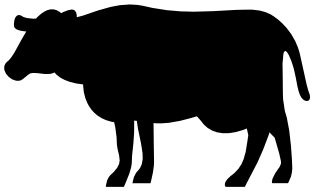
Roger Williams was a friend of the Native Americans, especially the Narragansetts and the Wampanoags. Roger treated them fairly and learned to speak their language. He even wrote a book on the Native American culture called *A Key into the Language of America.*

Draw a line between the Narragansett word in the first column to the English word that you think matches it in the second column.

Cowsnuck	Coin
Honck	Shoes
Mocussinass	Friend
Netop	Goose
Coyne	Cattle





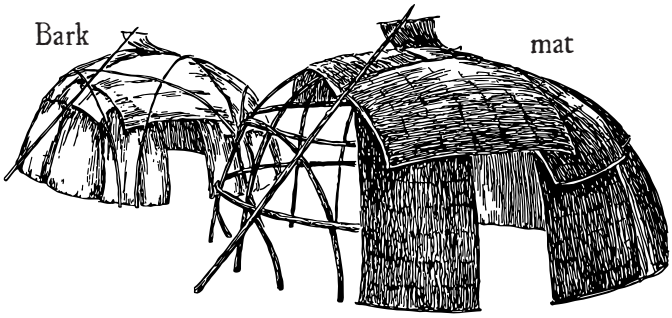


2 points

HOUSES

Wetus (wee-toos) were the homes that the Native Americans lived in. They sheltered one or two families. They were 10 to 16 feet in diameter and 6 to 8 feet tall. The frame was made of saplings and the outside was covered in mats made from reeds or bark.

Look at the picture of the wetus. Why do you think the Mat is open on the roof?



Roger lived in a house that looked like the one in this picture. Why do you think it was called a Stone Ender?

Stone Ender House

2 points

ROGER WILLIAMS WORD SCRAMBLE

1. **What was the name of the settlement Roger founded?**

   DOVRIPNECE ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

2. **What was the name of Roger's wife?**

   YRMA ___ ___ ___ ___

3. **Roger believed that all people should have freedom of...**

   OIGLNERI ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

4. **In what country was Roger Williams born?**

   GELNDAN ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

5. **What style house did Roger live in?**

   DSNTEOENRE ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ - ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

6. **Roger used this tool to help him find his way when he was lost.**

   SMCOAPS ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

3 points

ROGER WILLIAM'S REBUS

Roger Williams and his wife, Mary, sailed to America from in 1631

on a named the Lyon. Roger Williams was friends with the .

He even learned to their language and traded with them.

In Massachusetts Bay Colony, where Roger first lived, people were if they

broke the rules of the Puritan . Roger was a who said

that should have the freedom to choose any religion. Some

people Roger was crazy for religious freedom. Because of his ideas,

Roger was forced to leave his in the Massachusetts Bay Colony

and for a new place to live. So he set off. It was very walking through

ROGER WILLIAM'S REBUS

the in February and Roger was all alone until he met some Native Americans.

Roger's Native American friends gave him shelter and for

the until he could a new home. Roger was given some land from

the Narragansett Indians, and with a group of his , he started a new colony

called Providence. Roger cleared the land, built a , and said that in

Providence people would any way they wanted. The word Providence

means "God's ".

4 points

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Roger Williams National Memorial was established by Congress in 1965 to help people learn about Roger Williams, his ideas about religious freedom, and the founding of Providence. The memorial is one of over 400 units in the National Park Service system which spans all 50 U.S. states and territories such as Puerto Rico and American Samoa.

Out of more than 400 units of the National Park Service, how many have you visited?

On the map below, color in the states in which you have visited a national park.

3 points

STUMP THE RANGER

Come up with three questions you would like to ask the Ranger about Roger Williams or the national memorial.

1. _____

_____

2. _____

_____

3. _____

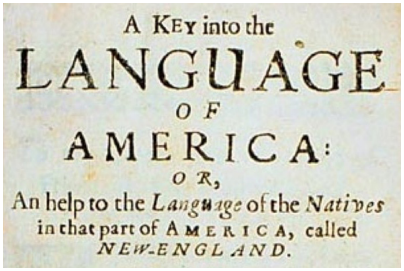
_____

3 points

ROGER'S POEM

This poem was printed in *The Key into the Language of America* in 1642. What is Roger saying in this poem? Put his message into your own words.

"Boast not proud English, of thy birth & blood,
Thy brother Indian as by birth is Good.
Of one blood God made Him, and Thee & All
As wise, as faire, as strong, as personall."


A KEY into the
LANGUAGE
OF
AMERICA:
OR,
An help to the *Language* of the *Natives*
in that part of AMERICA, called
NEW-ENGLAND.

4 points

LETTER TO JOSEPH WILLIAMS

In Roger Williams' time, letters were one of the few ways to communicate. Much of what we know about Roger comes from his letters.

Joseph, Roger's youngest son, lived in Providence with his parents and five brothers and sisters. When he was an adult, he raised his family on a farm where Roger Williams Park and Zoo is today.

Write a letter to Joseph telling him what you have learned about his father.

4 points

BREAKING THE CODE

Discover the names of Roger's neighbors in the original settlement.

3 points

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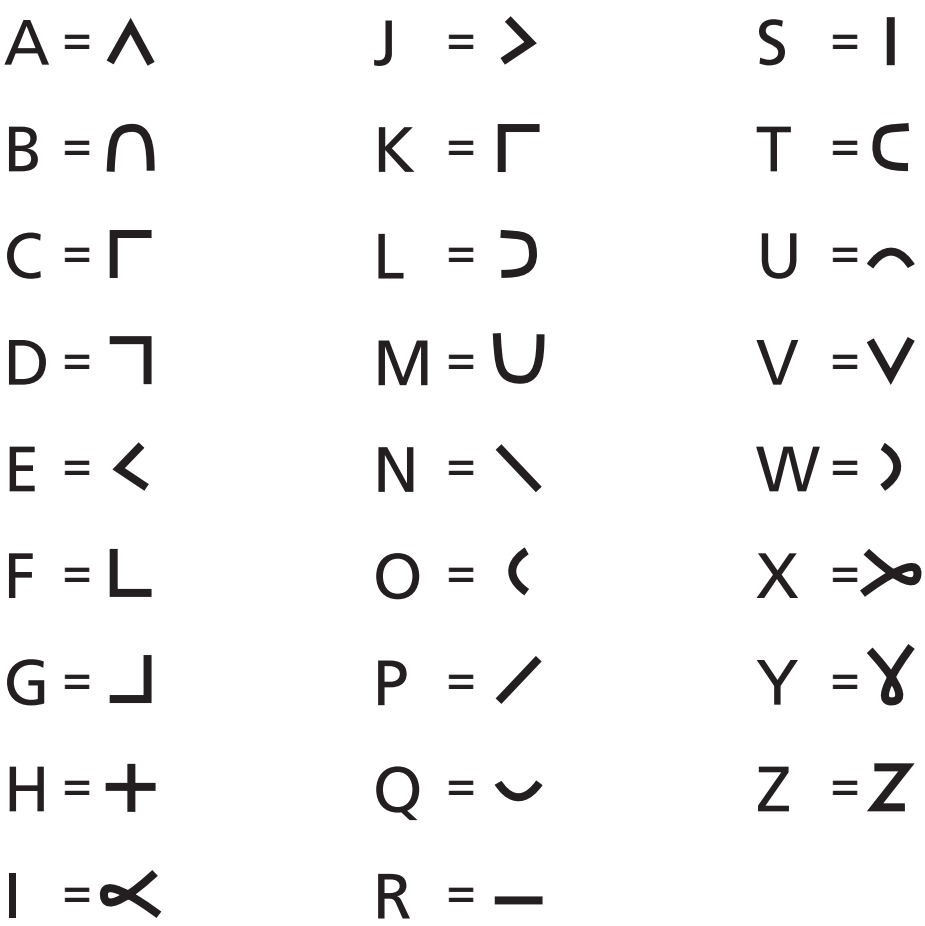
Roger Williams used shorthand, a quick way of writing that used symbols to represent letters, words, or phrases.

Use the key below to crack the codes on the following page.



ROGER WILLIAMS WORD SEARCH

Find and circle the bold works from the pervious page (15 in total)

A N G L I C A N E N T Y M N

B U I O P L M T D J C S I S

Q U A K E R S G H O U H N Y

R W M A R Y I W L S A O I M

O S J A L F E D J E L R S M

G K R E L G I O G P G T T E

E B T R A D E W E H D H E R

R A P L E G H W S P A A R C

F P L A N G U A G E O N C Y

K T R A D I N G B M S D E U

A I D A N I E L O H E P A C

M S P F R E L I G I O N P E

K T L S S F R E E B O R N S

P R O V I D E N C E H I D R

2 points

ROGER WILLIAMS WORD SEARCH

No one knows what Roger really looked like... he never had his portrait painted.

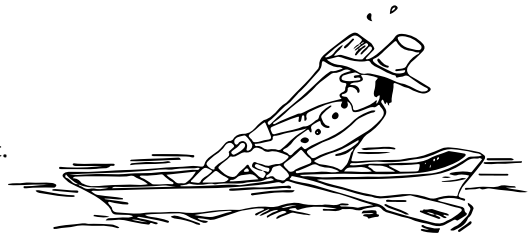
Roger and Mary Williams has 6 children

Mary ***Freeborn*** ***Providence*** ***Mercy*** ***Daniel*** ***Joseph***

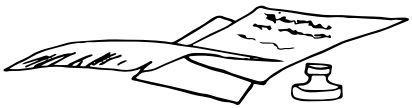
Roger wrote a book about the Native American lifestyle and ***language***.

Roger started out as a ***Anglican minister***. Then became a Puritan. Later he became the founder of the first ***Baptist*** church in America. At the end of his life he was a "seeker"- a person who believed a church wasn't needed to worship God.

In his later years, Roger operated a ***trading*** post.



When he was an old man, Roger once rowed from Providence to Newport (22 miles) to debate ***religion*** with ***Quakers***.



As a boy Roger taught himself ***shorthand***.

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

ROGER BY THE NUMBERS

1. If Roger was born in 1603 and founded Providence in 1636, how old was he then?

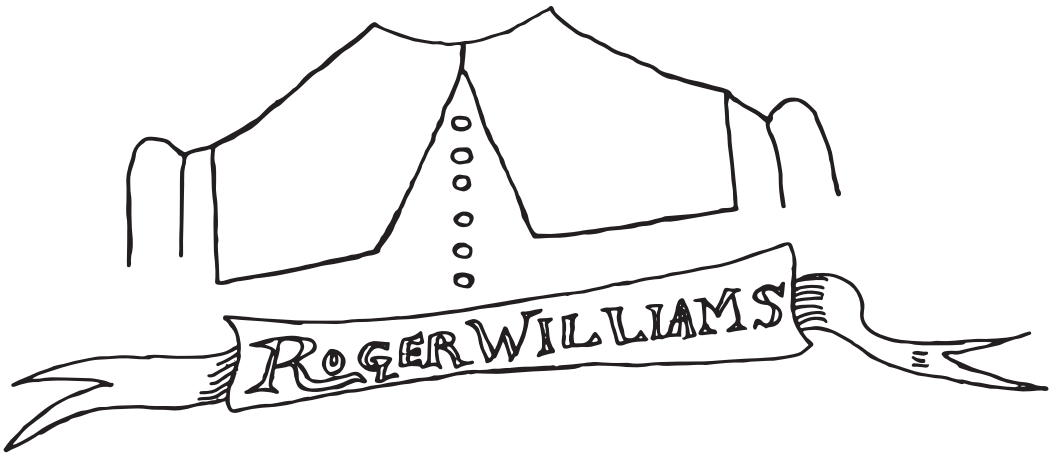
2. Roger Williams crossed the Atlantic ocean five times. Each trip was about 3,150 miles. How many miles did he travel in all?

3. Roger Williams National Memorial was created in 1965. How old is the memorial?

3 points

DRAW ROGER

No one really knows what Roger Williams looked like.



1 point

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

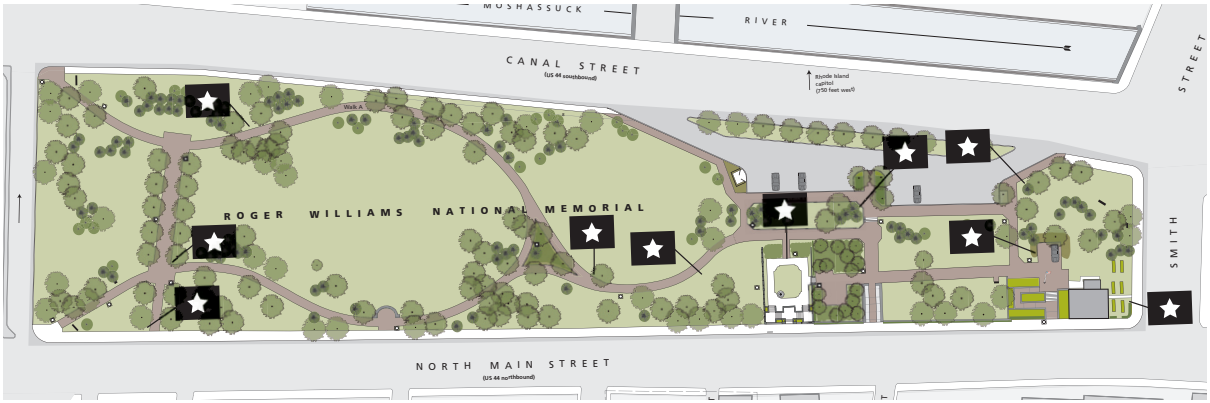
9. _____

10. _____

1 point

STROLL THROUGH THE PARK

Take a stroll through the park along the red brick path, read the ten exhibit signs, and answer the following questions. Use the map below to find each wayside exhibit.



What attracted Roger Williams to this site in 1636? Why was it important to the settlement?

What two documents reflect Williams's ideas? Why did Roger have to leave Massachusetts Bay Colony?

STROLL THROUGH THE PARK

Describe three activities that are taking place in the Seasonal Gathering Wayside.

Describe two ways in which Providence was different from other Puritan settlements in New England.

What is the name of the canal that linked Providence's seaport to Worcester, Massachusetts? What new technology replaced canal 20 years later?

5 points

The cover image is a modern painting of what the town of Providence may have looked like around the year 1650. Artist Jean Blackburn worked with NPS Rangers and examined historical maps and drawings of the settlement to come up with this depiction of Roger William's town.

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