

American Indian Place Names Worksheet

States in the United States

Name: _____

State Name	Meaning of Name
	From Alibamu, the name of a Muskogean tribe, meaning “those who clear land for agricultural purposes.”
	From the Papago word “Airzonae,” which probably means “small springs.”
	From Akansea, a tribe whose name means “downstream people.”
	Meaning “river whose water is driven by tides or winds.”
	(North and South) – Tribal name of the Sioux, meaning “allies.”
	From a Shoshone word meaning “sun coming over the mountains.”
	Meaning “men,” the name of a confederacy of Algonquian tribes.
	The name of a tribe, meaning “sleepy ones.”
	Said to be derived from the word “Kenta,” meaning “field” or “meadow.”
	Name of an Algonquian tribe meaning “at or about the Great Hill.”
	From the Indian word “Michigamea” meaning “great water.”
	A Dakota word meaning “whitish or sky-tinted water.”
	Algonquian word “misi” meaning “great” and “sipi” meaning “water.”
	From the name of a tribe meaning “great muddy,” which refers to the river.
	From an Oto word meaning “broad water.”
	Name of the Aztec god Meritili.
	Iroquios word meaning “beautiful river.”
	A Choctaw word meaning “red people.”
	The name of a Cherokee settlement, meaning unknown.
	The name of a group of tribes meaning “friends” or “allies.”
	From the tribal name of the Ute, meaning unknown.
	The name of a group of tribes living on the Wisconsin River.