## **Place Name Worksheet**

Locate these words on a U.S. map:

French	Spanish	Native American	English
Beau or Belle Croix: Cross Grand Isle Platte Prairie Rouge	Amarillo Baja Cruz Nuevo Rio San or Santa Sierra	Apache Cherokee Cheyenne Dakota Miami Navajo Sioux	Birmingham Boston Cambridge Dover Flint Newark Portland
After finding these places on the United States map, answer the following questions.			
<ol> <li>What patterns did you notice? Are there similar place names in one section of the country?</li> <li>Do you notice anything odd or unusual?</li> </ol>			
3. Based on the data, what regions did the Spanish, French, and English people explore?  Spanish			
French			
English_			
4. Where o	Where did/do the Native Americans live?		



## Answer Key for Place Name Worksheet

- 1. Answers will vary
- 2. Answers will vary
- 3. Spain Florida, Southwest, Nevada, Colorado, California France – NW Border/Canada, Great Lakes, Louisiana, Mississippi River Valley England- Everywhere, especially in New England
- 4. Everywhere except Hawaii (Polynesian)



## **Name That Place**

## **Summary Writing Prompt**

You are a geographer recording information about place names in the U.S.A. Write a summary of your information for *National Geographic Magazine*. Explain what you observed about place names in your summary.

