

# Maryland



Maryland is known as “mini America.” Here, you can see bays. You can see valleys. Maryland has beaches. Maryland has mountains, too.

If you visit this state, you can take a boat ride on the bay. You can visit the harbor where Francis Scott Key wrote a famous song. He was on a boat when he wrote the national anthem for America. Maryland has things for everybody to do.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Reading Skills

1. What might you see in Maryland?

\_\_\_\_\_ bays

\_\_\_\_\_ a rain forest

\_\_\_\_\_ the tallest mountain



2. Maryland has things to do for

\_\_\_\_\_ everybody. \_\_\_\_\_ a few people.

3. Which of these is Maryland's nickname?

\_\_\_\_\_ "little America" \_\_\_\_\_ "the Bay State"

\_\_\_\_\_ "mini America"

4. Francis Scott Key was on a \_\_\_\_\_ in a harbor when he wrote America's anthem.

\_\_\_\_\_ plane \_\_\_\_\_ boat \_\_\_\_\_ beach

## Thinking Further

1. Would you like to live in Maryland? Why or why not?

2. What would you nickname Maryland?

3. How do you think Maryland got its nickname?

**Directions:**

**Reading Skills—Comprehension and Facts and Details (1-4):** Have students read the question and mark the correct answer.

**Thinking Further (1-3):** Have students read each question and then discuss their responses, or have them write down their thoughts on a separate sheet of paper.