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1. Many of the Native Americans who lived on the Great Plains were nomadic people. Why did they move from place to place?

- A. They were finding new areas to mine.
 - B. They were looking for fertile lands to farm.
 - C. They were trapping fur-bearing animals.
 - D. They were following the buffalo to hunt.
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2. Many of the states in the United States have cold winters with large amounts of snow. To melt the snow, these states often use salt and other chemicals on the roads. Unfortunately, the salt and chemicals

- A. cannot melt the snow completely.
 - B. can pollute the groundwater.
 - C. cannot be kept for long periods of time.
 - D. can pollute the atmosphere.
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3. Maps and globes have lines that provide the reader with important information. For example, one of the lines is the equator. It is a line running east to west that divides the world into

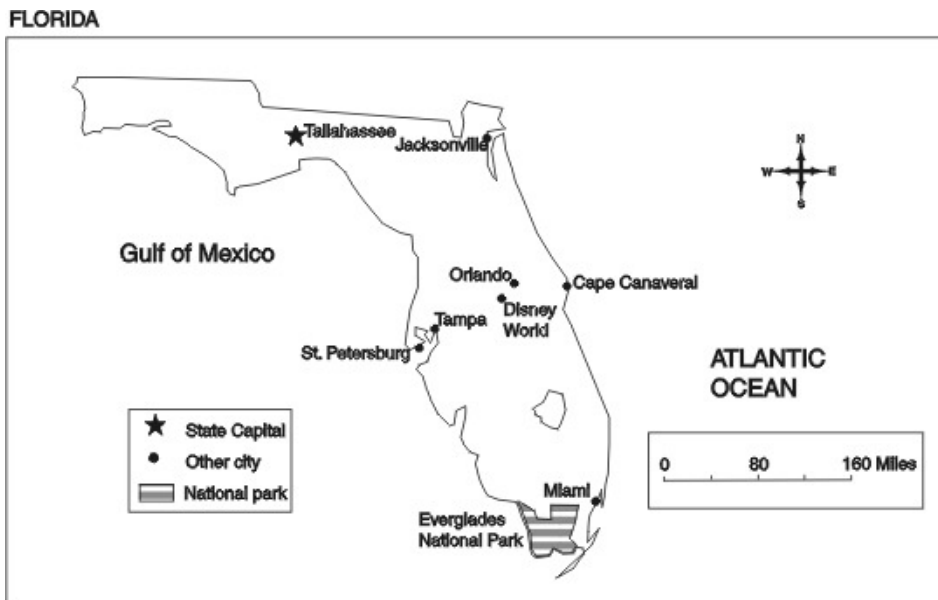
- A. Eastern and Western Hemispheres.
 - B. tropical and arctic regions.
 - C. Northern and Southern Hemispheres.
 - D. arid and wet regions.
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4. In the years after the Civil War, many people moved to the West. The natural resources available often influenced where they settled. Which natural resource would have been MOST important for the settlers to survive?

- A. water
 - B. timber
 - C. fish
 - D. gold
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5.

Use the map below to answer this question.



This is a map of Florida. According to the map, what **geographical features** have made Florida a major vacation spot?

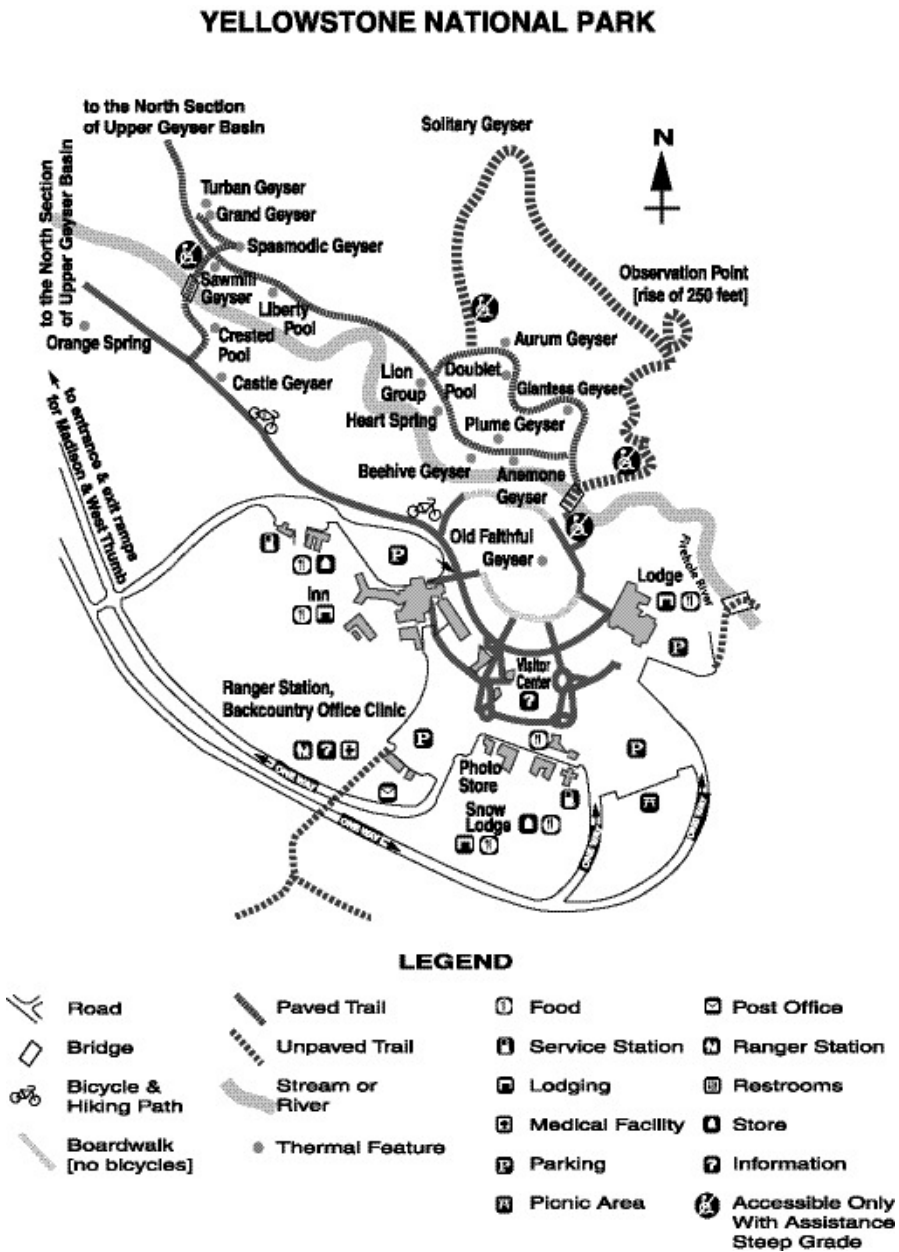
- A. Many of Florida's cities are located in the middle of the state.
 - B. The capital city of Tallahassee is in the northern part of the state.
 - C. Much of Florida is located on or near bodies of water.
 - D. Florida is located in the eastern part of the United States.
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6. Maps and globes have lines that provide the reader with important information. For example, one of the lines is the Prime Meridian. It is a line running north to south that divides the world into

- A. arid and wet regions.
 - B. Northern and Southern Hemispheres.
 - C. arctic and tropical regions.
 - D. Eastern and Western Hemispheres.
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7.

Use the map below to answer this question.



Places have both natural features and cultural features. Which of the following is a natural feature?

- A. Photo Store
- B. Snow Lodge
- C. Castle Geyser
- D. Visitor Center

8. Use the quotation below to answer this question.

"It was dark as the middle of the night, and it stayed that way all day."
Bessie Zentz of Goodwell, Oklahoma

This quotation describes an ecological disaster that struck much of Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas during the 1930s. It is a description of

- A. floods caused by thunderstorms.
 - B. the ice storms that hit the area.
 - C. landslides caused by flooding.
 - D. the dust storms that hit the area.
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9. A natural resource is anything from the natural environment that people use to meet their needs. Some resources are renewable and others are nonrenewable. What are nonrenewable resources?

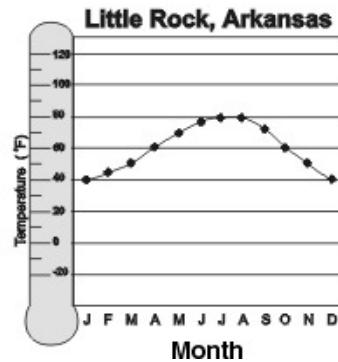
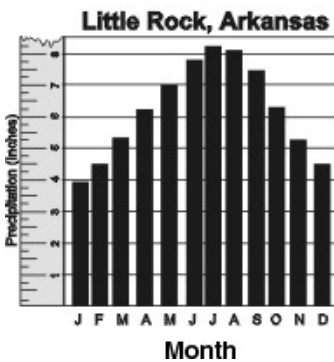
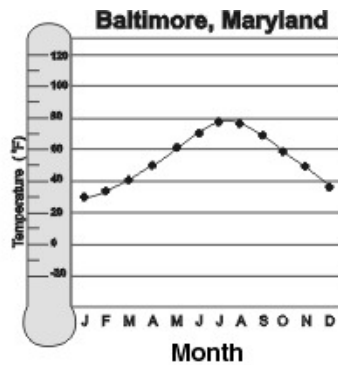
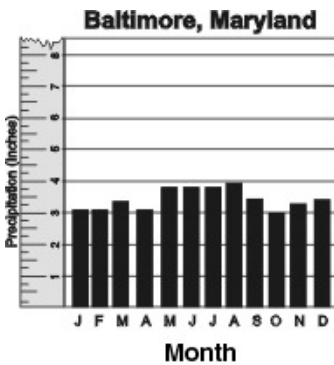
- A. resources such as forests and grasslands
 - B. resources that were formed by nature over thousands of years
 - C. resources such as plants and animals
 - D. resources that can be replaced naturally and grown fairly quickly
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10. The use of natural resources affects the environment. Many human activities cause pollution. What is pollution?

- A. an agreement to restrict the number of resources being used
 - B. the shipping of materials from country to country
 - C. the use of renewable resources such as forests and grasslands
 - D. putting impure substances into the land, water, and air
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11.

Use the graphs below to answer this question.



According to the information in the graphs, which of the following is true?

- A. Little Rock, Arkansas has more rain and higher temperatures than Baltimore, Maryland.
- B. Baltimore, Maryland has more rain than Little Rock, Arkansas.
- C. Little Rock, Arkansas has more rain and lower temperatures than Baltimore, Maryland.
- D. Baltimore, Maryland has higher temperatures than Little Rock, Arkansas.

12. There are many different types of sources for students to use to find information. An atlas is a good source in which to find

- A. a collection of maps.
- B. the meaning of words.
- C. a collection of pictures.
- D. a listing of references.

13. Which of the following is the BEST example of an ecological problem that has been caused by the growth of factories in the United States?

- A. crowded housing
- B. labor strikes
- C. water pollution
- D. rural poverty

14. One major problem facing the world today is the pollution of the soil, water, and air. Which of the following actions could people take to reduce pollution?

- A. recycling paper and plastics
 - B. traveling more often
 - C. exercising on a regular basis
 - D. using garbage bags
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15. Certain regions of the United States are better suited for certain economic activities. Which BEST explains why the midwestern region of the United States is well suited to farming?

- A. There are many mountains located in this region.
 - B. The region has a dry climate throughout the entire year.
 - C. There are many forested areas in this region.
 - D. The region has good soil and an adequate water supply.
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16.

Use the list of physical features below to answer this question.

- Pacific Ocean
- Rocky Mountains
- Cascade Mountains
- Columbia River

Which region of the United States would have states that border or include these physical features?

- A. Midwest
 - B. Northeast
 - C. Southeast
 - D. Northwest
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17. Your map has a scale with 1 inch equal to 500 miles. The distance from Atlanta to Hawaii measures 9 inches. About how many miles is Atlanta from Hawaii?

- A. 2,500 miles
 - B. 3,500 miles
 - C. 4,500 miles
 - D. 6,500 miles
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18. The geographic term for mountains, hills, plateaus, and plains is

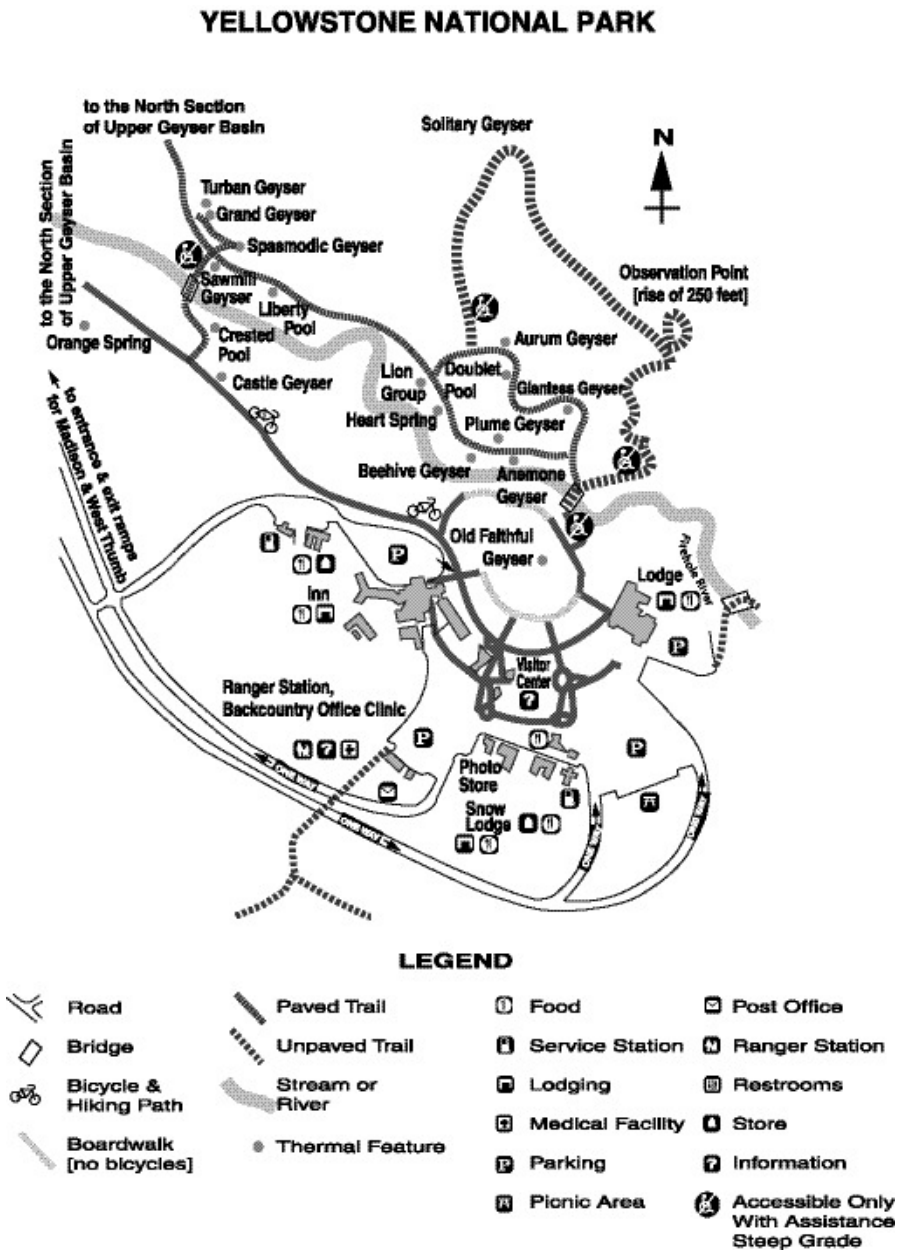
- A. climates.
 - B. peninsulas.
 - C. landforms.
 - D. shapes.
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19. The land, water, and air of the United States have become more polluted during this century. All of the following are reasons why the air has become more polluted EXCEPT the

- A. burning of the rain forests.
 - B. destruction of the ozone layer.
 - C. exhaust fumes from automobiles.
 - D. use of materials that cannot be recycled.
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20.

Use the map below to answer this question.

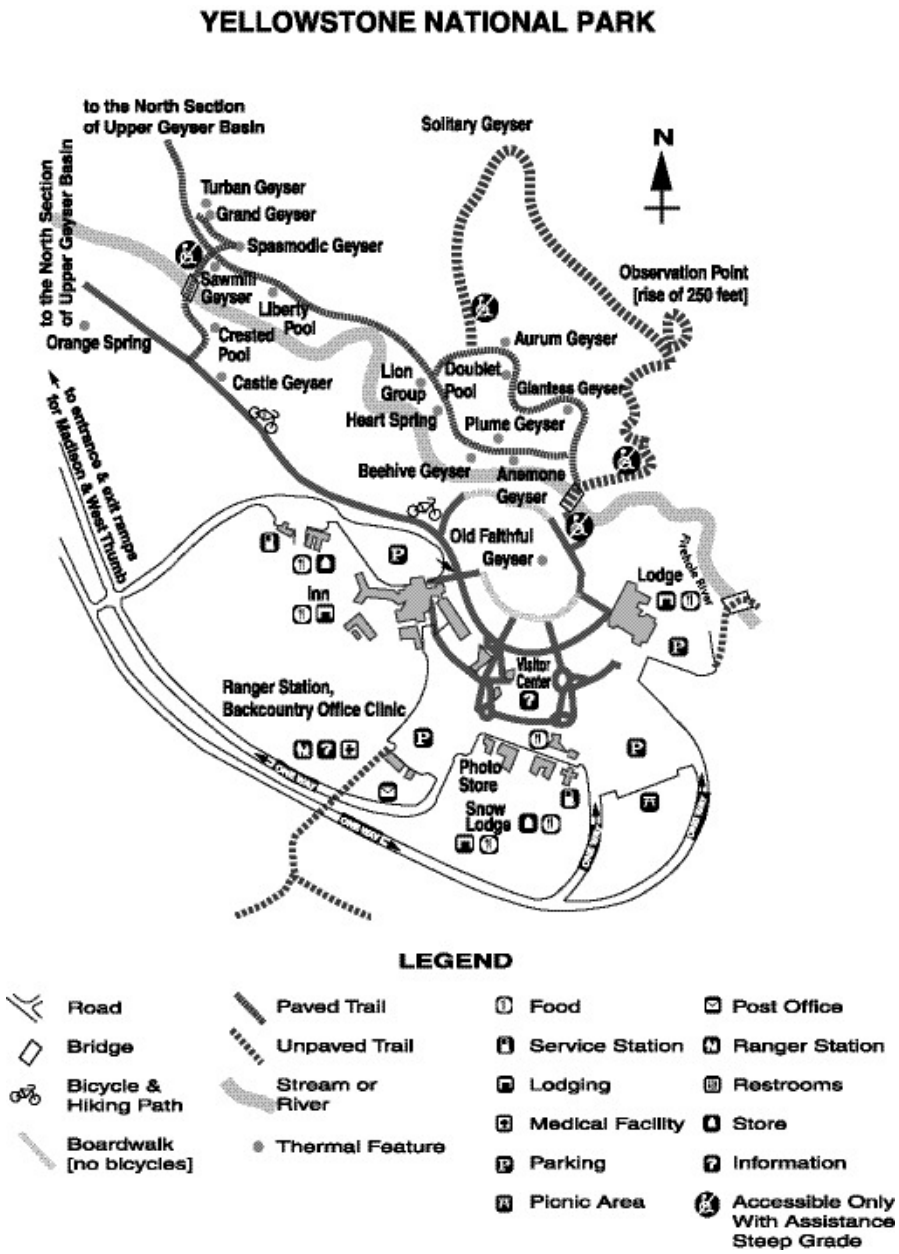


Look at the map. Which natural feature flows through the Old Faithful area?

- A. Orange Spring
- B. Crested Pool
- C. Firehole River
- D. Beehive Geyser

21.

Use the map below to answer this question.



Which of the following is found at the Ranger Station?

- A. a store
- B. restrooms
- C. a picnic area
- D. a medical facility

22. Certain regions of the United States are better suited for certain economic activities. For example, the climate, physical features, and natural resources of the Pacific Northwest are suited for

- A. raising sheep and cattle.
 - B. drilling and mining.
 - C. growing cotton and soybeans.
 - D. commercial fishing.
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23. Many scientists and environmentalists are concerned about the "greenhouse effect." What is the greenhouse effect?

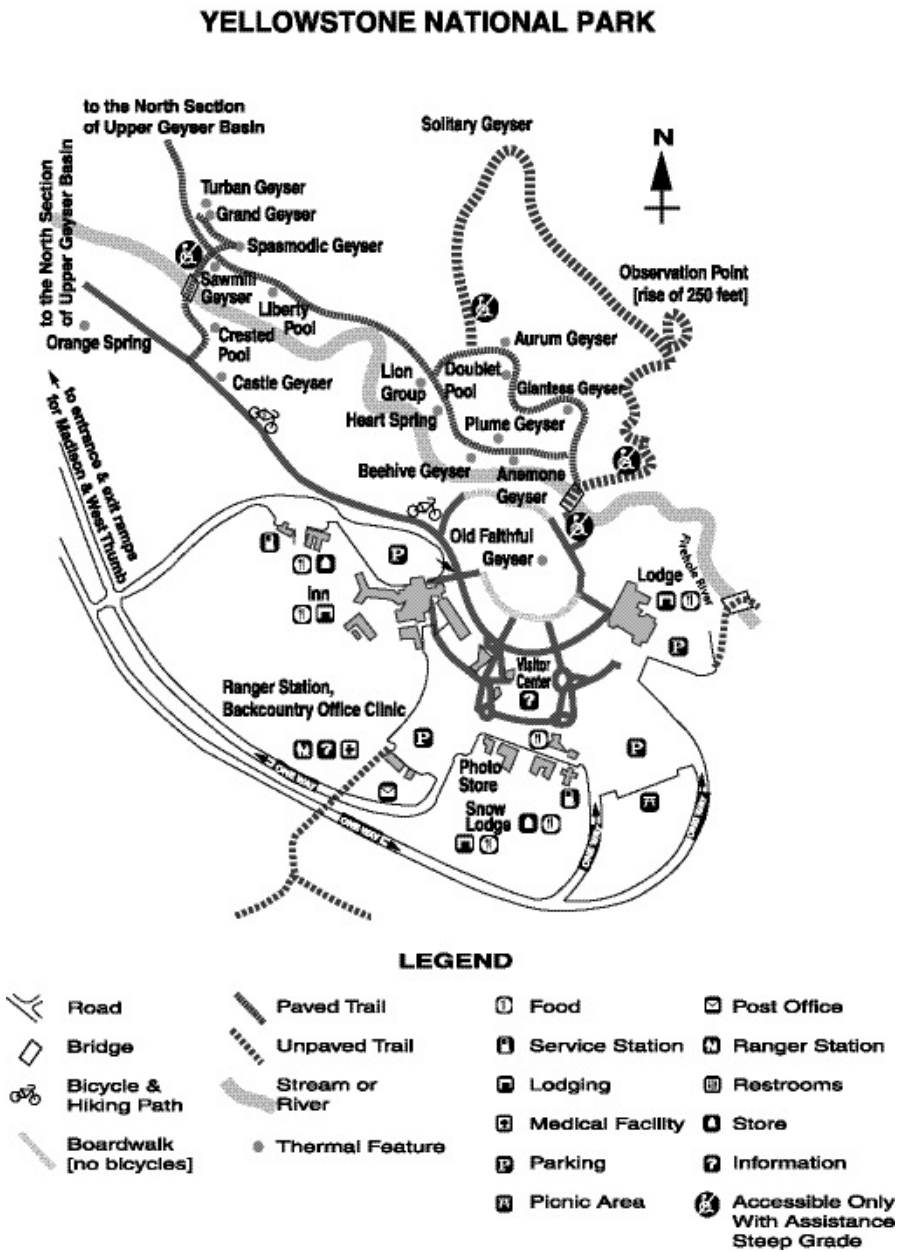
- A. The trapping of gases in the atmosphere and the warming of the planet.
 - B. The construction of buildings that do not use fossil fuels.
 - C. The dumping of trash in the oceans, rivers, and lakes around the world.
 - D. The burning of the rain forests in the jungles of South America.
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24. Many countries are trying to use hydroelectric power and solar energy to make electricity. These are better than using coal, iron, and natural gas because

- A. the power plants are not expensive to build.
 - B. they do not pollute the air.
 - C. the power plants are easy to build.
 - D. they do not cost the customer anything.
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25.

Use the map below to answer this question.



Where would you go in the national park shown above to find a medical facility?

- A. Snow Lodge
- B. Visitor Center
- C. Ranger Station
- D. Observation Point

Answer Key

1. D) They were following the buffalo to hunt.
2. B) can pollute the groundwater.
3. C) Northern and Southern Hemispheres.
4. A) water
5. C) Much of Florida is located on or near bodies of water.
6. D) Eastern and Western Hemispheres.
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8. D) the dust storms that hit the area.
9. B) resources that were formed by nature over thousands of years
10. D) putting impure substances into the land, water, and air
11. A) Little Rock, Arkansas has more rain and higher temperatures than Baltimore, Maryland.
12. A) a collection of maps.
13. C) water pollution
14. A) recycling paper and plastics
15. D) The region has good soil and an adequate water supply.
16. D) Northwest
17. C) 4,500 miles
18. C) landforms.
19. D) use of materials that cannot be recycled.
20. C) Firehole River
21. D) a medical facility
22. D) commercial fishing.

23. A) The trapping of gases in the atmosphere and the warming of the planet.

24. B) they do not pollute the air.

25. C) Ranger Station