

# Unusual Town Names Puzzle

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Determine the names of these unusual towns from the clues below. The state in which the town is located is given in parentheses.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The town without a frown (Texas)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. His wife wanted a boat (Indiana)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. A popular day-time television game show (New Mexico)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. A place that is perfect – also, the name of a song by Coldplay (Kentucky)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The buck doesn't stop here but your luck might (Kentucky)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Description of Elvis' hair – it was a Pompadour style, dyed black, and \_\_\_\_\_ (Oklahoma)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. A place filled with candy, cake, and other desserts (Idaho)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. This is worth two in the bush (Pennsylvania)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Quaker Oats (Texas)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. You definitely do not want to drink this (Arizona)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. If you are starved and really hungry (Montana)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. A large family of fish with fleshy lips (Tennessee)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Nickname for President Zachary Taylor (California)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Delay of an athlete's participation in order to lengthen his period of eligibility (South Dakota)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Opposite of failure, as in "The secret of my \_\_\_\_\_" (Missouri)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Home of the Dukes (Kentucky)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. This town's motto is "Where the 'odds' are with you." (Missouri)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. It's Valentine's Day all year long (Colorado)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. This town has gone to the dogs (Alabama)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. Triceratops, Tyrannosaurus Rex, or Stegosaurus, for example (Colorado)

## Answers

1. The town without a frown (Texas) – HAPPY
2. His wife wanted a boat (Indiana) – SHIPSHEWANA
3. A popular day-time television game show (New Mexico) – TRUTH-OR-CONSEQUENCES
4. A place that is perfect – also, the name of a song by Coldplay (Kentucky) – PARADISE
5. The buck doesn't stop here but your luck might (Kentucky) – LUCKY STOP
6. Description of Elvis' hair – it was a Pompadour style, dyed black, and \_\_\_\_\_ (Oklahoma) -- GREASY
7. A place filled with candy, cake, and other desserts (Idaho) – SUGAR CITY
8. This is worth two in the bush (Pennsylvania) – BIRD-IN-HAND
9. Quaker Oats (Texas) -- OATMEAL
10. You definitely do not want to drink this (Arizona) – MEXICAN WATER
11. If you are starved and really hungry (Montana) – HUNGRY HORSE
12. A large family of fish with fleshy lips (Tennessee) – SWEET LIPS
13. Nickname for President Zachary Taylor (California) – ROUGH AND READY
14. Delay an athlete's participation to lengthen his period of eligibility (South Dakota) – RED SHIRT
15. Opposite of failure, as in "The secret of my \_\_\_\_\_" (Missouri) -- SUCCESS
16. Home of the Dukes (Kentucky) – HAZARD
17. This town's motto is "Where the 'odds' are with you." (Missouri) -- PECULIAR
18. It's Valentine's Day all year long (Colorado) – LOVELAND
19. This town has gone to the dogs (Alabama) – DOG TOWN
20. Triceratops, Tyrannosaurus Rex, or Stegosaurus, for example (Colorado) – DINOSAUR