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1. Missouri has had many nicknames, e.g., the Cave State, the Lead State, the Bullion State, the ___ State, the Iron Mountain State, among others.

2. The Mo. State motto is: Salus populi suprema ____ esto (i.e., Let the Welfare of the People be the Supreme Law).

3. A ___ in Mo., which must be at least eight feet deep in 5-10% of its area, is eligible and likely to be populated with bluegill and largemouth bass provided by the State.

4. Not B.C.

5. ____-Aid.

6. The most popular story is: Holy water ___.

7. A Great Lake.

8. TV’s Warrior Princess.

9. Pizza ____.

10. A type of kick in football.

11. Backer’s Potato ____.

12. Another story: soldiers from St. Louis, Mo. manned a guard post at a soldier camp in the middle of Tennessee as the Spanish-Am. War was beginning. The guards were strict about not letting anyone leave to go to town unless and until they “showed” a pass. The camp’s ____ soldiers labelled them, and all Missourians, as “show me” people.

13. Well over 100 ___ events are taking place across Mo. this year, in places like Boonville, Palmyra, Sedalia, Rolla, Owensville, Macon, Moberly, Milan, St. James, etc.


15. Cross letters.

16. Letters after the name of one holding a Doctor of Divinity degree.

17. The most popular story of the origin of Mo.’s nickname came from the reaction of a 1890’s Mo. Congressman to a proposed law: “...frothy eloquence neither ____ nor satisfies me. I am from Missouri. You have got to show me.”

18. Internet country letters for Honduras.

19. Letters for Emotional Intelligence; capacity to assess emotions in yourself or others.

20. Your good ____’ grandpa was my best friend.

21. Slangy yes.

22. This suffix to a verb can change it to a present participle, a gerund or independent noun or adjective (or to just about anything it seems).

23. My mother’s praise ____ in my ears for weeks.

24. Short for Dept. of Revenue.

25. Letters for the State where the 1923 dance craze “the Charleston” began. The accompanying song was one of the most popular of the decade.

26. “A rose by any other ____ would smell as sweet,” — from Romeo and Juliet, Wm. Shakespeare.

27. Short for the oil and gas giant British Petroleum, infamous for the largest marine spill in the history of the petroleum industry, in the Gulf of Mexico, in 2010.

28. Although ____ meat has been a tough sell in this country (and Mo.), revenues have doubled because of the demand for the oil derived from these Australian birds. It is marketed for arthritis and for muscle and joint soreness. The 2017 National Convention was held in Springfield, Mo.

29. Regardless of origin, the “Show Me” State nickname stuck and can be found on Mo. ____ plates.

30. Letters for Anorexia Nervosa, an eating disorder.

31. Wealthy man who married the young widow Ruth (Book of Ruth, chapter four). She was an ancestor of David (Matthew 1:5) and so eventually of Jesus.

32. Internet country letters for Honduras.

33. Holy water ____.

34. Another story: Mo.’s nickname is a ____ reference to Mo. miners (from Joplin) who were brought to Colorado mines. Unfamiliar with their mining methods, the pit bosses complained: “That man is from Mo. You’ll have to show him.” The stereotype was extended to all Missourians.

35. A type of wrestling partner.

36. Where ____ could it be?

37. Ship pronoun.

38. The “Show Me” State nickname has come to represent Missourians as people having a stalwart, skeptical attitude and dedication to common cause of the demand for the oil derived from these Australian birds. It is marketed for arthritis and for muscle and joint soreness. The 2017 National Convention was held in Springfield, Mo.

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41. The only ____ to be found in Mo. is in the counties bordering the Mo. River where melting glaciers left flecks of it in sand and gravel deposits.

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43. A Great Lake.

44. TV’s Warrior Princess.

45. Pizza ____.

46. A type of kick in football.

47. Short for National Review, a news and commentary magazine founded by Wm. F. Buckley in 1955 which had a major impact in stimulating the conservative movement.

48. ____-Aid.

49. Something you may have to show when buying liquor.
quarters and plant in Fulton, Mo. since 1931, ships its product across the U.S. and into parts of Canada and Mexico.

23. “__ __ is an island,” —1624 poem by John Donne. He was born into a strong English Catholic family during a time of great anti-Catholicism; his mother was a granddaughter of Catholic martyr Thomas More; his brother died in prison for his “Catholic sympathies.” Donne converted to Anglicism and rose to prominence in the English government (2 wds.).

28. Letters for alternating current, in contrast to direct current.

29. Written messages, esp. in business.

30. 14th letter.


33. Dipper for serving soup.

34. “O ____, where is thy blush?” —Wm. Shakespeare.

36. Somehow he ____ a six point buck, or more, every deer season.

38. Another story: in 1897, hundreds of ____ train passes were given to Mo. legislators. The conductors, when told such a pass was being used, would skeptically say “You have got to show me.”


41. Chicago nickname of

43. ____ no!

46. Yes in Veracruz.