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Gulf Coast Region Scavenger Hunt

Directions: Use Internet resources, maps and atlases, and library resources, the online resources to find the answers to the scavenger hunt questions about the Gulf Coast Region of the U.S.   A list of Online Resources has been provided for you. Answer each question correctly and with as much detail as possible.

Online Resources
- **New Orleans City, Louisiana Statistics and Demographics (US Census 2000)** at
  http://neworleans.areaconnect.com/statistics.htm
- **Gulf Coast of the United States** at
  http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gulf_Coast_of_the_United_States
- **Online Newshour: After Hurricane Katrina** at
  http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/weather/july-dec05/katrina/archive.html

1. What states make up the Gulf Coast Region of the U.S.?

2. List 5 major coastal cities in the Gulf Coast Region.

3. List the major bodies of water in the coastal areas of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama.

4. What is the elevation of each city:

   New Orleans: Biloxi:

   Mobile: Gulfport:

5. What systems are in place to keep a city such as New Orleans from flooding?

6. What are the major industries in the Gulf Coast Region?

7. What are some of the reasons people initially settled in New Orleans 300+ years ago?

8. Who discovered New Orleans/how did it get its name?

9. Throughout history, the Gulf Coast Region, New Orleans in particular, has been strategically important during times of war. Why is this? Explain.

10. What natural resources are available in the Gulf Coast Region?

11. List several Gulf Coast industries that all Americans are dependent upon in some way.

12. How have industries in the Gulf Coast Region been affected economically by Hurricane Katrina, and what economic impact, if any, could this have on all Americans?

13. Complete the table below for each of the cities listed.

City	Population	Major Industries	Tourist Attractions	City Size in miles, including water
New Orleans, LA				
Biloxi, MS				
Gulf Port, MS				
Mobile, AL				

14. Complete the questions related to population on the table below for each of the cities listed.

City	Population (total for area)	Race (percentage)	Poverty Level (percentage)	Average Income (dollar amount)
New Orleans, LA		African American: White:		
Biloxi, MS		African American: White:		
Gulf Port, MS		African American: White:		
Mobile, AL		African American: White:		

15. In what ways is the Port of New Orleans important to people worldwide?