



Name that Alabama City

1. Alabama Jubilee Hot Air Balloon Classic- _____

- A Memorial Day celebration where more than 60 balloons take flight

2. FAME Recording Studios- _____

- FAME Recording studios has produced a number of famous hits, including When a Man Loves a Woman by Percy Sledge.

3. Helen Keller Birthplace- _____

- Despite being deaf and blind, Helen Keller inspired people as she traveled the world and spoke out for the blind and deaf, as well as for women's right to vote.

4. The W.C. Handy Festival- _____

- This music festival celebrates William Christopher Handy. Handy was an American blues composer and musician, known as the "Father of the Blues."

5. National Shrimp Festival- _____

- The National Shrimp Festival celebrates Alabama being one of the nation's leading shrimp producers.

6. Talladega 500 NASCAR Race- _____

- The superspeedway is known for its steep banking and is the longest NASCAR oval track at 2.6 miles long.



7. Bridge Crossing Jubilee- _____

- Martin Luther King, Jr. led protestors across the Edmund Pettus Bridge during their march to Montgomery for equal rights.

8. First Veteran's Day Parade- _____

- After World War II, Raymond Weeks asked Washington D.C. to expand Armistice Day (created to honor World War I veterans) to include all veterans. Mr. Weeks led the first National Veterans Day parade in 1947.

9. Space and Rocket Center- _____

- The NASA Space and Rocket Center is known for developing the rockets that launched the first US satellite and also those rockets that sent astronauts to the moon.

10. Boll Weevil Festival- _____

- This city is known for having the only statue honoring an insect. That insect is the Boll Weevil. After the Boll Weevils destroyed cotton crops, the farmers were forced to plant other crops. This change in agriculture led to more success than that from cotton.

11. Bus Boycott- _____

- In 1955, Rosa Parks (an African American woman) refused to give up her seat to a white man. On the day of Parks' hearing, Martin Luther King, Jr. led African Americans and others in a bus boycott. They refrained from riding the city's buses for 381 days until the U.S. Supreme Court ordered the city to integrate its bus system. They opened the Rosa Parks Library and Museum in 2000 to honor this courageous civil rights activist.



12. Tuskegee Airmen-_____

- The Tuskegee Airmen were the first African American military aviators and the only ones in World War II. They were named Tuskegee Airmen because the men received training near this city. Their fight was not only overseas in World War II, but also for the rights of African Americans in the U.S. Armed forces.

13. 911 Call Center-_____

- Located just south of Russellville, this was the first city to have a 911 call center. The first 911 phone call was placed in 1968 by Rankin Fite, Alabama Speaker of the House, and answered by Tom Bevill, Alabama Congressman.

14. To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee-_____

- Nelle Harper Lee wrote the Pulitzer Prize winning novel *To Kill a Mockingbird*. The novel was a bestseller for 88 weeks and in 1995, by the 35th anniversary of its publication, had sold over 30 million copies.

15. Peanut Festival-_____

- Known as the Peanut Capital of the World, this city celebrates the impact the peanut industry had on the southeast with its annual Peanut Festival. It is responsible for 65 percent of all U.S. peanut production. The first festival in 1938 featured special guest George Washington Carver.

16. Mardi Gras-_____

- This is the first US city to celebrate Mardi Gras, the French holiday meaning "Fat Tuesday", which takes places on the Tuesday before Lent.