

A Visit to Long Island

Long Island is west of Rum Cay and East of Exuma. It is located 265 km south-east of Nassau. It is approximately 92km long and 6½ km wide at its widest point. The **Tropic of Cancer** passes through the northern tip of the island.

There are **six** settlements on the island. The main settlements are **Deadman's Cay, Stella Maris, and Clearance Town**. **Clearance Town** is the capital. You can also find the twin churches of St Peter and St Paul built by **Father Jerome**. St Peter is the Catholic Church, and St Paul is the Anglican.

Many **citrus** fruits like oranges and fruits such as bananas grow here. The people of Long Island raise **sheep and goats**. These fruits and cattle are shipped to **Nassau** to be sold. The **silver top plant** also grows on the island. These plants are used in the making of **baskets and mats**. There used to be a **shrimp farm** on the island.

Long Island was called **Yama** by the Lucayans. Lucayan artifacts like the **duhos** have been found in **Cartwright's caves** on the island. The island is also believed to be Christopher Columbus' third stop during his first voyage to the New World. There is also the famous **Dean's Blue Hole**. It has the world's deepest underwater sinkhole at 200m deep. It is located in a bay west of Clearance Town.



The settlement of Salt Pond is home to **Long Island Regatta**. It is held every year on **Whit Monday**. The settlement of Deadman's Cay got its name from a cay just off the coast of the settlement which was used to bury the dead.



duhos

Date: _____

Use the words in the box to answer the questions.

sliver top	Nassau	sheep	goat	oranges
Clearance Town	Stella Maris	six	south-east	banana

1. Long island is _____ of Nassau. (2)
2. How many settlements are on the island? (1) _____
3. Name two main settlements on the island. (2)

4. Name TWO crops that grow on the island. (2)

5. The people raise _____ and _____ (2)
6. Fruits and cattle are shipped to _____ be sold. (1)
7. What is the name of the plant used for making basket? (1)

Directions: Answer the following questions?

8. Who built the twin churches on the island? [1]

9. What denominations are the twin churches? [2]

10. What is the name the Lucayans had given Long Island? [1]

11. What is the name of the artifacts found on Long Island and where was it found? [2]

12. Where is regatta held on Long Island? On which day is it held? [2]

13. Where on Long Island can you find the deepest Blue Hole? What is the name of the blue hole? [2]

14. How did the settlement of Deadman's Cay get its name?

15. Which line of latitude passes through Long Island? [2]

Directions: Find the settlements of Deadman's Cay, Stella Maris, and Clearance Town and label them on the map.

