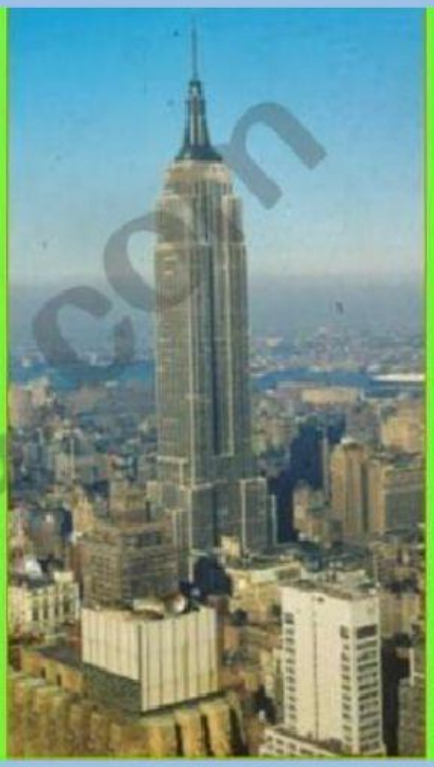
# THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING IN NEW YORK

- It's 1,250 feet tall and there are 102 floors.
- Building finished in 1930. It took only 1 year and 45 days to plan and build. That's fast.
- Lightning hits the building about 100 times per year.
- There are 73 elevators and you can travel from the ground to the 80th floor in 45 seconds.
- There are 6,500 windows. That's a lot to clean!
- The lights at the top of the building change color for different celebrations. On Earth Day, they're green and blue.
- 10 to 20 thousand people visit it every day and 15,000 people work there.
- There are 1,860 steps to climb to the top. An Australian Paul Crake, holds the record for the fastest person to get to the top. It took him 9 minutes and 53 seconds!!



# THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSE

- It's 600 feet tall and 394 feet wide.
- 233 people entered a competition to design an opera house and a Danish architect, John Utzon, won. He wanted it to look like the sails of a ship.
- It took fourteen years to build and Queen Elizabeth II, opened it in 1973
- Four million tourists visit it each year and it is open 24 hours a day.
- There are 1,000 rooms and five theaters with seats for 2,679 people.
- There are 15,500 light bulbs that are replaced every year one by one.
- It is one of the most famous performing arts venues in the world. You can see musicals, concerts, movies, exhibitions, opera and ballet.
- Sydney Opera House is a masterpiece of late modern architecture. In its short lifetime, Sydney Opera House has earned a reputation as a world-class performing arts centre and become a symbol of both Sydney and the Australian nation



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## COMPLETE THE TABLES:

| | THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING | THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSE |
|---|---|---|
| HOW TALL IS IT? | | |
| HOW LONG DID IT TAKE TO BUILD? | | |
| WHEN WAS THE BUILDING FINISHED? | | |
| HOW MANY VISITORS VISIT IT PER DAY OR YEAR? | | |
| WHERE IS IT LOCATED? | | |
| WHAT INTERESTING FACTS CAN YOU MENTION... | | |
| HOW MANY ROOMS OR FLOORS ARE THERE? | | |

## Answer True or False.

| | TRUE | FALSE |
|---|---|---|
| 1- THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING HAS 122 FLOORS. | | |
| 2- THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING WAS BUILT IN 410 DAYS | | |
| 3- ELEVATORS IN THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING TAKE 45 SECONNDS FROM THE GROUND TO THE TOP | | |
| 4- THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSE HAS 394 FEET WIDE AND 600 FEET TALL | | |
| 5- THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING HAS 6500 WINDOWS | | |
| 6- LIGHT BULBS IN THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSEARE CHANGED MONTHLY | | |
| 7- THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSE WAS OPENED IN 1973 | | |
| 8- THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSE CLOSES AT 11:00 PM | | |
| 9- PAUL CRAKE RAN AROUND THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSE IN 9 MINUTES AND 53 SECONDS | | |
| 10- THERE ARE 2679 ROOMS AND 1000 SEATS IN THE SIDNEY OPERA HOUSE | | |

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