

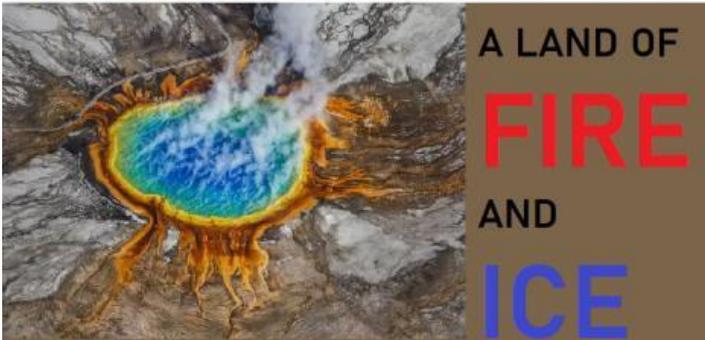
1. What is a national park? Are there any national parks in Russia?

2. Match the words below with the correct definitions.

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- 1) a deep valley \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) very surprising or unusual \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) an organised trip, often to an unknown place \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) a number of different kinds of the same thing \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) a small area of water \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) to make sure something is safe \_\_\_\_\_

3. Complete the article with the correct forms of the words in ex. 2.



In 1809, John Colter, a hunter, travelled to a new part of the United States: the mountains and forests of Wyoming. He discovered an amazing place. It was an \_\_\_\_\_ land of ice and fire. When he returned home, he talked about his adventures - but nobody believed him!

Colter described amazing scenes. There were \_\_\_\_\_ of water - but they boiled! There were trees that appeared to be stone. There were holes in the ground that suddenly exploded, like fountains of boiling water. Everywhere there was the strong smell of sulphur.

Colter walked deep into the forests. He watched and studied an amazing \_\_\_\_\_ of animals, including bears and wolves. He climbed high mountains and explored beautiful lakes and rivers. There were high waterfalls and deep \_\_\_\_\_ with yellow rocks on each side. In fact, the name of this place comes from those rocks: Yellowstone. Fifty years later, the US government organised three scientific \_\_\_\_\_ to Yellowstone. They wanted to find out what was really there. Finally, people started to believe John Colter's stories. They realised Yellowstone was a beautiful and unusual place, and asked government to \_\_\_\_\_ it. So in 1872, President Grant signed a new law: Yellowstone was now the first national park in the world.



4. Read the article. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1) John Colter was the first person to go to Yellowstone -
- 2) Colter talked to nobody about his adventures in Yellowstone -
- 3) Colter noticed a strange smell in Yellowstone -
- 4) The name 'Yellowstone' comes from the colour of the lakes and rivers there -
- 5) The government sent expeditions to Yellowstones in 1972 -

5. Discuss the situation.



You are walking in the forest when you meet a bear. What do you think is the best thing to do?

