NEW YORK CITY

New York City, often called the Big Apple, is a place everyone thinks they 1)_____. You've seen it in movies, read about it in magazines, and if you haven't been — you know someone who 2)_____. New York is famous for its skyscrapers, yellow 3)_____, and some of the best art museums in the world. However, there are many interesting facts about New York City that might surprise you — this city has layers of stories waiting to be 4) _____.

The origin of New York's nickname is something of a 5) _____. But one thing's for sure: it's not because the city resembles a fruit. Instead, the term "Big Apple" comes from an unlikely source — horse racing 6)_____. Journalist John J. Fitz Gerald coined the term in a 1921 7)_____, stating, "There's only one Big Apple. That's New York." This nickname has since become synonymous with the 8)_____.

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