HOMETOWN TRIVIA · NORWICH, CT

How well do you know Norwich?

Circle the answer you think is right. Answers are on the last page.

1. Which famous writer was born in Norwich in 1935?

A. Larry Kramer
B. Michiko Kakutani
C. Annie Proulx

2. Which famous actor was born in Norwich in 1945?

A. Michael Bolton
B. Frank Doubleday
C. Christopher Lloyd

3. In what year was Norwich first settled?

A. 1733
B. 1659
C. 1697

4. Which county is Norwich in?

A. Hartford County
B. Windham County
C. New London County

How well do you know Norwich?

5. About how many people lived in Norwich in 2020?

A. 104,000
B. 40,000
C. 14,000

REMEMBER WHEN · NORWICH

Let's talk about home

Read one aloud and let the stories come. There are no wrong answers on this page.

- Annie Proulx was born right here in Norwich in 1935. Has anyone here read something by Annie Proulx?
- Frank Doubleday was born right here in Norwich in 1945. What's your favorite movie or show with Frank Doubleday in it?
- Where did people in Norwich go for an ice cream cone on a summer night?
- What was downtown Norwich like on a Saturday when you were young?
- Where did you go to school, and how did you get there each morning?
- What did a loaf of bread or a gallon of gas cost when you first went shopping on your own?

WORD SEARCH · NORWICH

Around Norwich

G I E K A D F I R E H O U S E
E L D A E A R P C N Y I N R E
N D N W O A K I F E A O O E T
L O U O O O Y L C D C L Y A E
I U R E H M A I N S T R E E T
B B U W E T N T E M E C E B G
R L A D I C A E F K I M U A M
A E F N I C A N A F A L Y A M
R D U P D N H B F I T T P I L
Y A D H L S E O E I N E A C O
F Y Y S I A T R O L L E Y N L
V E K O T S P A R A D E I N E
P V L U O V S R N P V L G M T
W R B P R O U L X D B N H F Y
F D I G R E B D C I O D I T D

- [ ] BAKERY
- [ ] BANDSTAND
- [ ] DINER
- [ ] DOUBLEDAY
- [ ] FIREHOUSE
- [ ] ICECREAM
- [ ] LIBRARY
- [ ] MAINSTREET
- [ ] NORWICH
- [ ] PARADE
- [ ] PICNIC
- [ ] POSTOFFICE
- [ ] PROULX
- [ ] TROLLEY

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Answers and sources

1. Annie Proulx Annie Proulx was born in Norwich in 1935.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q229840 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Annie_Proulx

2. Frank Doubleday Frank Doubleday was born in Norwich in 1945.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q3751801 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frank_Doubleday_(actor)

3. 1659 Norwich was settled in 1659.

Sources: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/sots/register-manual-_-bluebook/sectionviii/dates-of-establishment-of-towns.pdf · https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q631402

4. New London County Norwich is in New London County, Connecticut.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q631402

5. 40,000 The 2020 census counted 40,125 people in Norwich.

Sources: https://portal.ct.gov/sots/register-manual/section-vii/population-1900-1960 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norwich,_Connecticut

Word search answers. Every word reads left to right, top to bottom, or diagonally downward. None run backwards.

G	I	E	K	A	D	F	I	R	E	H	O	U	S	E
E	L	D	A	E	A	R	P	C	N	Y	I	N	R	E
N	D	N	W	O	A	K	I	F	E	A	O	O	E	T
L	O	U	O	O	O	Y	L	C	D	C	L	Y	A	E
I	U	R	E	H	M	A	I	N	S	T	R	E	E	T
B	B	U	W	E	T	N	T	E	M	E	C	E	B	G
R	L	A	D	I	C	A	E	F	K	I	M	U	A	M
A	E	F	N	I	C	A	N	A	F	A	L	Y	A	M
R	D	U	P	D	N	H	B	F	I	T	T	P	I	L
Y	A	D	H	L	S	E	O	E	I	N	E	A	C	O
F	Y	Y	S	I	A	T	R	O	L	L	E	Y	N	L
V	E	K	O	T	S	P	A	R	A	D	E	I	N	E
P	V	L	U	O	V	S	R	N	P	V	L	G	M	T
W	R	B	P	R	O	U	L	X	D	B	N	H	F	Y
F	D	I	G	R	E	B	D	C	I	O	D	I	T	D

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