HOMETOWN TRIVIA · BRIDGEWATER, MA

How well do you know Bridgewater?

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

1. Which famous baseball player was born in Bridgewater in 1903?

A. Lawrence Whitney
B. Mickey Cochrane
C. John Chase

2. Which famous writer was born in Bridgewater in 1932?

A. Sylvia Plath
B. Brenda Maddox
C. Daniel Dennett

3. About how many people lived in Bridgewater in 1950?

A. 9,500
B. 3,800
C. 22,000

4. Did Bridgewater have more people in 1960 or in 2020?

A. More in 2020
B. More in 1960

How well do you know Bridgewater?

5. Between 2010 and 2020, did Bridgewater grow or shrink?

A. It shrank
B. It grew

REMEMBER WHEN · BRIDGEWATER

Let's talk about home

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

- Mickey Cochrane was born right here in Bridgewater in 1903. Did you know Mickey Cochrane came from right here?
- Brenda Maddox was born right here in Bridgewater in 1932. Has anyone here read something by Brenda Maddox?
- In 1950 about 9,500 people lived in Bridgewater. What is the biggest change you have seen in town since then?
- Where did people in Bridgewater go for an ice cream cone on a summer night?
- What was downtown Bridgewater like on a Saturday when you were young?
- Where did you go to school, and how did you get there each morning?

WORD SEARCH · BRIDGEWATER

Around Bridgewater

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

- [ ] BAKERY
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- [ ] COCHRANE
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- [ ] FIREHOUSE
- [ ] ICECREAM
- [ ] LIBRARY
- [ ] MADDOX
- [ ] MAINSTREET
- [ ] PARADE
- [ ] PICNIC
- [ ] POSTOFFICE
- [ ] TROLLEY

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Answers and sources

1. Mickey Cochrane Mickey Cochrane was born in Bridgewater in 1903.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q326416 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mickey_Cochrane

2. Brenda Maddox Brenda Maddox was born in Bridgewater in 1932.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q4960732 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brenda_Maddox

3. 9,500 The 1950 census counted 9,512 people in Bridgewater.

Sources: https://www2.census.gov/library/publications/decennial/1960/pc-s1-supplementary-reports/pc-s1-9.pdf · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bridgewater,_Massachusetts

4. More in 2020 Bridgewater counted 10,276 people in 1960 and 28,633 in 2020.

Sources: https://www2.census.gov/library/publications/decennial/1960/pc-s1-supplementary-reports/pc-s1-9.pdf · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bridgewater,_Massachusetts

5. It grew Bridgewater counted 26,563 people in 2010 and 28,633 in 2020.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bridgewater,_Massachusetts

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

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