HOMETOWN TRIVIA · NORWELL, MA

How well do you know Norwell?

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

1. Which famous writer was born in Norwell in 1949?

A. Jan Brett
B. Daniel Dennett
C. Sylvia Plath

2. About how many people lived in Norwell in 1950?

A. 5,800
B. 2,500
C. 1,000

3. Did Norwell have more people in 1960 or in 2020?

A. More in 2020
B. More in 1960

4. Between 2010 and 2020, did Norwell grow or shrink?

A. It shrank
B. It grew

How well do you know Norwell?

5. Which county is Norwell in?

A. Franklin County
B. Hampshire County
C. Plymouth County

REMEMBER WHEN · NORWELL

Let's talk about home

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

- Jan Brett was born right here in Norwell in 1949. Has anyone here read something by Jan Brett?
- In 1950 about 2,500 people lived in Norwell. What is the biggest change you have seen in town since then?
- Where did people in Norwell go for an ice cream cone on a summer night?
- What was downtown Norwell 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 · NORWELL

Around Norwell

B A P A B S N N G L A H W H E
A W D S A W O A U A A P T H V
K D A A M E R P P S V S A R S
E H H T S E I B A W N E M P M
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Y B F S E O E E V T A A I C I
D L E M G S L D L S K D R N N
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- [ ] LIBRARY
- [ ] MAINSTREET
- [ ] NORWELL
- [ ] PARADE
- [ ] PICNIC
- [ ] POSTOFFICE
- [ ] SCHOOLHOUSE
- [ ] TROLLEY

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Answers and sources

1. Jan Brett Jan Brett was born in Norwell in 1949.

Sources: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q6148613 · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jan_Brett

2. 2,500 The 1950 census counted 2,515 people in Norwell.

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

3. More in 2020 Norwell counted 5,207 people in 1960 and 11,351 in 2020.

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

4. It grew Norwell counted 10,506 people in 2010 and 11,351 in 2020.

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

5. Plymouth County Norwell is in Plymouth County, Massachusetts.

Sources: https://api.census.gov/data/2020/dec/pl · https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q2419598

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

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