



Description and Suggestion for Card Use:

This card activity provides students with some information about **Ohio's first cities** and could be used as a springboard for additional research. These cards could be used to write a paragraph about Ohio's beginnings.

It is recommended that these pages be printed on card stock and laminated to extend their durability. After cutting out the cards, an envelope or library pouch may be attached to the back of the map card to "house" the smaller informational cards.

The original intent was for these cards to be placed in a space in the classroom or center for independent or cooperative student work as a pre-writing activity. They were created to meet the needs of 4th graders in the state of Ohio and correlate to the Ohio Academic Content Standards in Social Studies. Depending on how they are used in the classroom, they may also fulfill some of the requirements of standards in Language Arts.

Marietta:

- First town settled in Ohio
- Founded by Rufus Putnam
- Named for the French queen, Marie Antoinette

Cincinnati:

- Originally named Losantiville
- Name changed to honor a Roman dictator, Cincinnatus
- City of innovative transportation: canal, railroads, streetcars

Columbus:

- Settled by Lucas Sullicant a surveyor from Virginia
- Originally named Franklinton
- City was renamed Columbus after explorer, Christopher Columbus
- Became the new state capital on February 14, 1812

Gallipolis:

- Settled by French aristocrats, "French Five Hundred"
- U.S. government helped build log cabins for settlers
- Gallia County named in honor of Gaul (France)

Dayton:

- Named after Captain Jonathan Dayton
- Mad River Road connected Cincinnati and Dayton
- Erie Canal connected Dayton to Lake Erie

Chillicothe:

- Home of ancient Hopewells
- First capital of Ohio
- Early settlers included freed black slaves
- Important stop on Underground Railroad

Steubenville:

- Built on the site of Fort Steuben
- Founded by Bezaliel Wells and James Ross
- Named in honor of Baron Friedrich Wilhelm von Steuben

Cleveland:

- Connecticut Land Company laid out the city and named it after General Moses Cleaveland
- Lorenzo Carter was the first person to live in "Cleaveland"
- Name changed spelling in 1831