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## Discovering North Carolina's Hidden Gems: Tourist Attractions

### Short Answer Key

1. The Outer Banks offer pristine beaches, opportunities for surfing, fishing, and water sports, as well as visits to lighthouses and historical sites like the Wright Brothers National Memorial.
2. The Lost Colony on Roanoke Island is historically significant as the site of the first English attempt at a permanent settlement in the New World. Settlers mysteriously disappeared, leaving behind only the word "CROATOAN" carved on a tree.
3. The North Carolina Zoo is unique because it is one of the largest natural habitat zoos globally, providing animals with more space and natural environments to thrive. It also offers educational programs and conservation initiatives.
4. Chimney Rock State Park offers visitors the opportunity to hike to the summit of a 315-foot granite monolith, providing panoramic views of Lake Lure and the surrounding area. The park also features hiking trails, a nature center, and wildlife.
5. North Carolina's beaches are appealing due to their picturesque coastline, warm waters, and various water activities. Popular destinations include Carolina Beach, Emerald Isle, and the Crystal Coast.

