The accidentals in a key signature follow a pattern that must be learned and memorized. The examples below show the order and placement for all 7 flats and sharps. For sharps, the first column will always be F# followed by C#, G#, D#, A#, E#, B#. The flats occur in the order: Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, Cb, Fb. A trick for remembering these (until they become part of your psyche) is, for sharps, Fat Cats Go Down Alleys Eating Butter or for flats, BEAD Greatest Common Factor.

Write the key signatures for the indicated major keys:

G          D          A          E          B          F#         C#
F            Bb         Eb         Ab         Db         Gb         Cb
F            Bb         Eb         Ab         Db         Gb         Cb

ANSWERS

Key Signatures II

Name: ____________________