



EXHIBITION HALL

# Scavenger Hunt!



U.S. CAPITOL  
*Visitor Center*



*The motto is found on U.S. coins. What does it mean to you?*

**HINT**

**Want to learn more about Congress and the U.S. Capitol?**

You will find interesting stories, objects and pictures in Exhibition Hall. **BEGIN** in the center of the exhibit.

**FIND** the Latin phrase, “E Pluribus Unum” or “Out of Many, One”, that is the name of the exhibit.

Now, turn to your **right** and walk to the end of the exhibit where you see the **Constitution**.

**LOOK** for the first two challenges here:





CLUE

We are a nation of diverse people and land, yet all are proud to call ourselves American.

CHALLENGE

**FIND** the first phrase of the U.S. Constitution, “We the People of the United States.”

*We are a representative democracy in which the people rule through their representatives.*

HERE'S  
A FACT!



**CLUE**

Checks and balances  
are surely key in keeping  
America independent  
and free.

**CHALLENGE**

**FIND** an illustration of the  
three branches of government.

**HERE'S  
A FACT!**

*The U.S. Constitution calls for three branches;  
the legislative, executive and judicial.*

After you find the first two challenges, **continue to your left around the corner**. Look for the model of the Capitol.

You will find some things on the wall of pictures and others in the Senate (left) and House of Representatives (right) cases. Check other areas, too, and have fun!

**HINT**

The dates will help you find the correct area within the exhibit to look for the challenges!



CLUE

Our rights as citizens must be made clear; read the Bill of Rights for what we hold dear.

CHALLENGE

**FIND** an image of Representative James Madison and the Bill of Rights from 1789.



HERE'S  
A FACT!

*The first Congress sent to the states 12 amendments or changes to the Constitution to protect our freedoms. Ten were agreed to by the states and together are called the Bill of Rights.*



CLUE

Indians were often forced to give up land even after peace pipes had been passed hand to hand.

CHALLENGE

**FIND** the Native American pipe tomahawk and peace medals.

*Treaties were signed between the U.S. and Indian nations; however, many Indians had to abandon their land after Congress passed the 1830 Indian Removal Act.*

HERE'S  
A FACT!



CLUE

As the nation expanded and grew, the Capitol did too!  
We designed a new Dome for our nation's large home.

**CHALLENGE**

**FIND** the drafting tools used by Thomas U. Walter, the architect who in 1855 designed the new Capitol Dome.

**HERE'S  
A FACT!**

*More states joined the union, requiring larger spaces for Congress to meet.*





CLUE

Many were born into slavery, but when free were elected to serve their country.

**CHALLENGE**

**FIND** a print (1872) of the first African American Representatives and Senator.

*Joseph Rainey of South Carolina served in the House from 1870-1879 and Hiram Revels, representing Mississippi, was the first African American to serve in the Senate.*

**HERE'S  
A FACT!**

CLUE

For more than 70 years  
“the vote for women”  
was the call; they refused  
to give up the fight for  
what was right.

CHALLENGE

**FIND** a colorful sash worn in about  
1912 by women marching for the right to vote.

HERE'S  
A FACT!

*Congress passed, and the states ratified,  
the 19th amendment to the Constitution  
in 1920 giving women the right to vote.*





**CLUE**

“I’m a child;  
can’t I run and play?  
‘No,’ you have to  
work today.”

**CHALLENGE**

**FIND** the Lewis Hine photo of a child working in a factory surrounded by large spools of thread.

*By 1910, Congress began to consider legislation to limit child labor.*

**HERE'S  
A FACT!**

CLUE

The Medal of Honor is awarded for acts of bravery. Declaring war is one of Congress' most solemn responsibilities.

## CHALLENGE

**FIND** three medals presented in the name of the Congress of the United States.

HERE'S  
A FACT!

*The Medal of Honor is the nation's highest award for bravery and was given first in the Civil War.*





CLUE

The Fifteenth Amendment states that the right to vote cannot be denied. But to all people was it applied?

**CHALLENGE**

**FIND** the desk and pen used to sign the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

*Congress fulfilled the promise of the Fifteenth Amendment (1870) by passing the Voting Rights Act of 1965.*

**HERE'S  
A FACT!**

**THINK ABOUT IT!**

Name three ways  
in which the  
work of Congress  
affects our lives.

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