



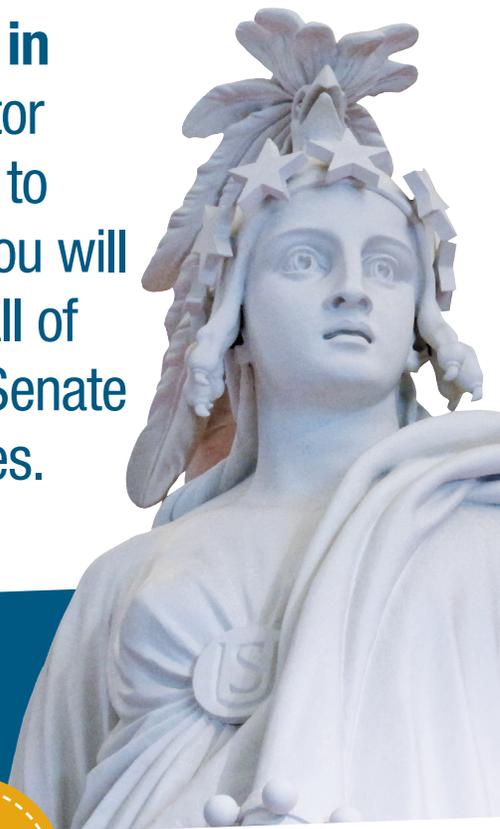
EXHIBITION HALL

Scavenger Hunt!



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Find the objects and pictures described in this booklet in Exhibition Hall. Ask a Visitor Assistant or a Visitor Guide to direct you to the alcoves. You will find some things on the wall of pictures and others in the Senate (left) and House (right) cases. Check other areas too!



HINT

The dates will help you find the correct alcove.

**GOOD
LUCK!**



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.

FUN
FACT!

CLUE

Though a new immigrant,
he responded to the
nation's call to beautify the
Capitol for one and all.

CHALLENGE

FIND the Congressional Gold Medal
given to Constantino Brumidi,
artist of the Capitol.

FUN
FACT!

*Congress honors individuals who have
made significant contributions to the
nation and world.*





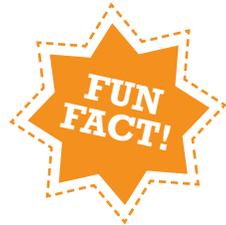
CLUE

What?
Having fun in the snow?
For the hardworking
Congressional pages
it is fun to throw!

CHALLENGE

FIND a 1939 photo of Congressional pages throwing snowballs.

Pages are high school students who, when the Senate is in session, spend part of their day assisting Senators.



CLUE

A photo of importance
from 1969—a small
step for man but giant
leap for mankind.

CHALLENGE

FIND a photo of the first moon
landing, July 20, 1969.



FUN
FACT!

*Congress encourages exploration and science
through funding and other legislation.*



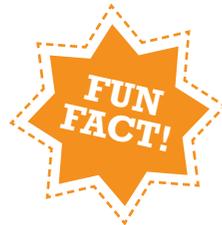
CLUE

The only member to vote “no” against the war, she stood her ground, believing that to her principles she was bound.

CHALLENGE

FIND a political button Jeannette Rankin used when she ran for Congress in 1940.

Jeannette Rankin was the first woman elected to Congress, and in 1917 and 1941 refused to vote for war.



CLUE

After hitting an iceberg, news traveled quickly about the sinking of this great ship. Please, testify mate! Congress needs to investigate!

CHALLENGE

FIND the documents from a 1912 hearing on the sinking of the Titanic.

FUN
FACT!

Congress has the power to investigate tragedies and other events of importance to the nation.





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.

**FUN
FACT!**

CLUE

Go west, young man,
go west! Take the
transcontinental railroad
to aid in your quest!

CHALLENGE

FIND the photo of the Union Pacific
and Central Pacific railroads
meeting in Utah in 1869.

**FUN
FACT!**

*Congress supported completing the
transcontinental railroad, improving
transportation and communication, and
encouraging settlement in the west.*





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.

FUN
FACT!

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.

FUN
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

Members of Congress
come together to legislate.
Their votes determine
a bill's final fate.

CHALLENGE

FIND a chart showing the
way a bill becomes law.

*Article I of the Constitution establishes
Congress to make the nation's laws.*

**FUN
FACT!**

A white marble statue of the Statue of Liberty, shown from the waist up. She is wearing a crown with stars and stripes, and a long, flowing robe. She holds a tablet in her left hand and a torch in her right hand. The background is a solid blue color.

THINK ABOUT IT!

Does “We the People”
mean something different
today than it did in 1787?
If so, in what way(s)?

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