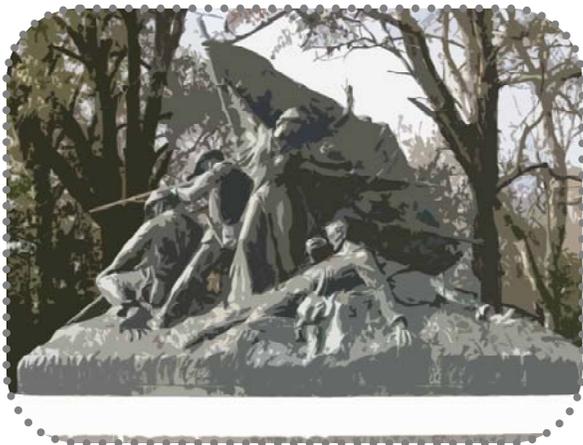
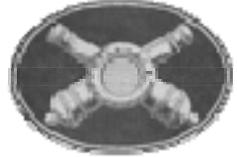
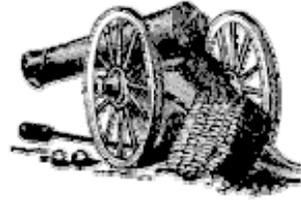




# Junior Ranger Program



# Activity Booklet

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## **National Park Rangers and You**

*Park Rangers have many different jobs. They help you explore nature and learn history. They also keep our parks safe and clean, fight fires, study nature, and research history.*

*As a Junior Ranger, you will step back into history as you explore the Battlefield. Listed below are some things you can do to help park rangers preserve and protect the park.*

***Inform family and friends that walking on the historic earthworks slowly destroys them.***

***Be an example to all park visitors by obeying park regulations. Please do not climb on the monuments, markers and cannon, they are part of our past and can be easily destroyed.***

***Collect litter while exploring. DO NOT pick up anything that may cut or harm you.***

### **JUNIOR RANGER OATH**

***I, \_\_\_\_\_, Pledge to be a good Junior Ranger, to learn about Vicksburg National Military Park and protect it from harm. I will help others have fun learning about the history of the Park, and appreciate the plants and animals that live there. I will do my part to obey the Park rules and act in a safe manner.***

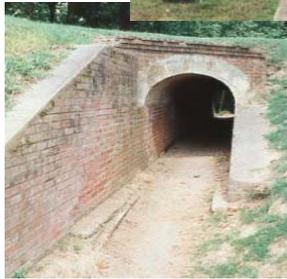
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# Junior Ranger Activity Book

How many of the following objects have you seen?

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|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Gunboats: _____                    | Houses: _____     |
| Statues of horses: _____           | Tunnels: _____    |
| Monuments with heads of men: _____ | Bridges: _____    |
| Birds and Animals: _____           | Cannon: _____     |
| Earthen Fortifications: _____      | Museums: _____    |
| Monuments with steps: _____        | Flags: _____      |
| Park Rangers: _____                | Cemeteries: _____ |



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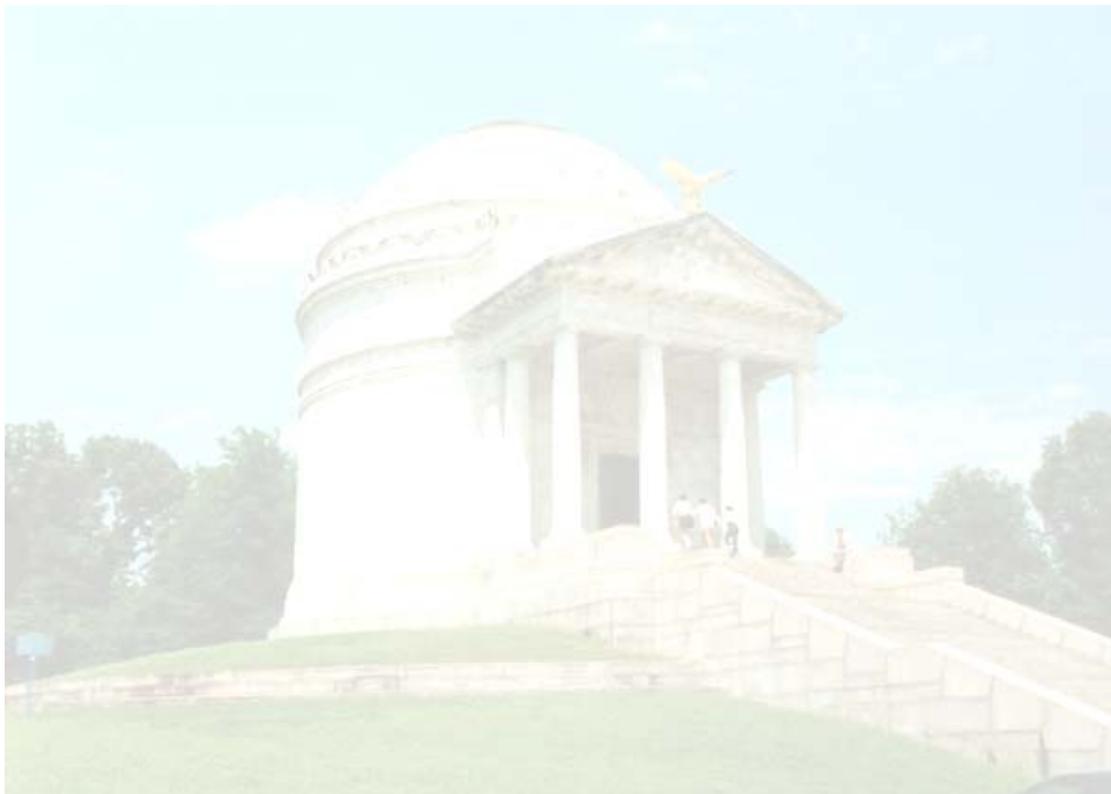
The Illinois Monument is one of the most recognizable monuments in the park. Its designers made sure that no symbols of military or war significance appear on the monument.

1. What does the exterior inscription on the monument below the dome say? \_\_\_\_\_

2. a) How many steps lead to the monument? \_\_\_\_\_

b) What is the significance of the number? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Use the space below to draw the Illinois monument.



*Note:* The monument is a replica of the Pantheon, a famous monument in Rome, Italy.

# Vicksburg National Military Park Word Search

A Z O P E M B E R T O N D F J K  
C W H I T E H O U S E E N I M V  
M T M I N I E B A L L U I B O I  
F O R T H I L L M G R E D A N C  
C A N N O N W L U N E T T E U K  
R P E T T W M U S K E T K S M S  
E F I F G P R E A M T B T I E B  
D W D C O N F E D E R A T E N U  
O B E L R R L G R F E A N G T R  
U Y U A S F T N O I N U A E N G  
B D W V I C M Q E R C H R E H M  
T E S R M U R D E T H A G N H N

**CANNON**  
**CONFEDERATE**  
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**FIFE**  
**FORT**  
**FORT HILL**  
**GRANT**  
**LUNETTE**  
**MINE**

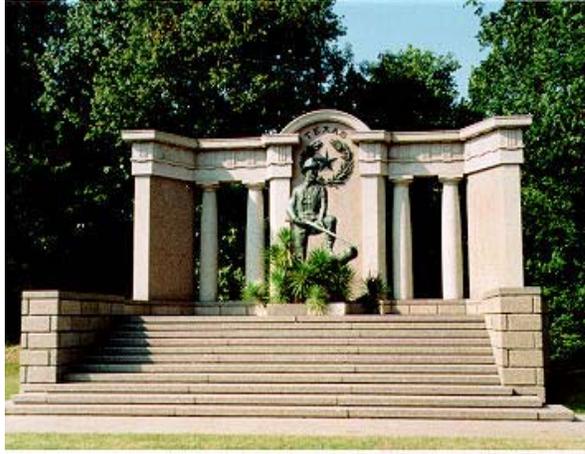
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**MONUMENT**  
**MUSKET**  
**PEMBERTON**  
**REDAN**  
**REDOUBT**  
**RIFLE**  
**SIEGE**  
**TRENCH**

**UNION**  
**WAR**  
**WHITE HOUSE**  
**VICKSBURG**



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Vicksburg National Military Park has been called "the Art Park of the world" because of the 1,300 plus monuments located in and around the park. Identify the monuments displayed below.



1. \_\_\_\_\_



2. \_\_\_\_\_



3. \_\_\_\_\_



4. \_\_\_\_\_



5. \_\_\_\_\_

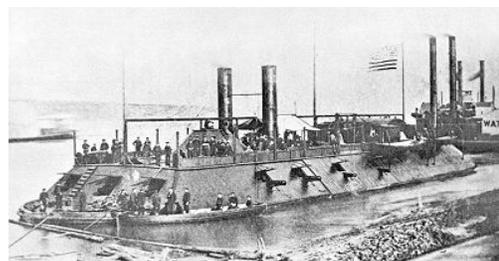
# CAIRO Word Search

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D	F	D	G	I	H	S	O	L	O	N	P	Q
E	J	O	L	V	O	C	I	A	U	G	W	P
C	R	E	W	B	K	L	A	R	M	O	R	S

**ARMOR**  
**BOILERS**  
**BOSUN PIPE**  
**CAIRO**  
**COAL**  
**CREW**  
**GUN**  
**NAVY**

**PILOT**  
**PORT**  
**RIVER**  
**SELFRIE**  
**SHOT**  
**SINKING**  
**STARBOARD**  
**STEAM**

**TORPEDO**  
**UNION**  
**VESSEL**  
**WATER**



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1. I watched the movie entitled "In Memory of Men." One thing I learned was: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Near the fortification that is displayed by the Visitor Center parking lot there are several cannon. What are the names and sizes of two of the cannon? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. The Shirley House is located next to the Illinois Monument and has been standing since before the Civil War. What was its nickname during the war? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. At the 3<sup>d</sup> Louisiana Redan you will read about the Battle of the Crater. What technique did Grant use to try to destroy the redan? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5. A bird sits on top of the Wisconsin Monument.

a) What kind is it? \_\_\_\_\_

b) What was the bird's name? \_\_\_\_\_

6. The USS Cairo was a state-of-the-art gunboat in her day. What type of boat was she? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. I watched the movie entitled "The Raising of the Cairo." One thing I learned was: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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8. The US National Cemetery contains 17,000 Civil War graves. How many of the graves are unidentified? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

9. Fort Hill has had many flags flown over it. Other than the Confederate States of America and the United States of America, what other countries have held this land?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. On the road known as Pemberton Avenue, two men met to discuss the terms that would end the siege of Vicksburg.

a) Who were the men? \_\_\_\_\_

b) What day did Vicksburg surrender? \_\_\_\_\_

c) How long did the siege last? \_\_\_\_\_

11. What part of the park did you enjoy the most? \_\_\_\_\_

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12. If you were in charge of the park, what would you do to protect it? \_\_\_\_\_

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13. What other national parks have you visited? \_\_\_\_\_

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Stop by the Visitor Center with your completed book to receive your Junior Ranger Badge and Certificate. Ask a Ranger about any questions you have or were unable to answer. Also, remember to check out the following website <http://www.nps.gov/vick/eduguide/edguide.htm> to find out more educational information about the Vicksburg National Military Park.

*For your safety, please observe the following precautions:*

1. Park only in designated (curbed) parking areas.
2. If you walk on the tour road, always stay on, or near, the shoulder of the road, behind the white line designating the walking/running lane.
3. Avoid walking through tall grass in the summer. Our wasps, yellow jackets, and fire ants are ferocious!
4. Don't overdo it. A mile of our hilly terrain seems much further, and during the summer, Vicksburg's temperatures and humidity can exhaust the hardiest of walkers. Wear proper shoes and drink plenty of fluids!
5. In case of an emergency, call 601-636-0583, or, if after hours, call 911 to contact a park ranger.

Thanks for Visiting the Vicksburg National Military Park!



# Vicksburg National Military Park

awards this certificate of achievement to:



for completing requirements  
of the  
Junior Ranger Program

\_\_\_\_\_ **Park Ranger**



\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

Vicksburg National Military Park  
National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior

