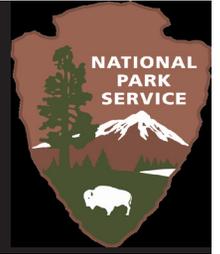


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“Listening to the Past” Girl Scout Brownie Try It



We do the following four elements for earning the award:

1. Community Stories. Listen to a movie that has some of the stories of this area.
2. If These Buildings Could Talk. Visit the historic Lemon House Tavern and learn an interesting fact about it.
3. Acting Out. Dress up and act like a person from the past.
4. Games of the Past. Play with toys from the past.

Community Stories

The movie at the park is a collection of people's stories. These stories came from books, newspapers, and diaries. Watch the movie and see if you can answer these questions:

1. Who is telling the story? What is the man's name?

John Edgar Pete Mathias

2. What does he warn you to watch out for?

Mud Witches Ghosts Birds

Hot Sun Black Flies Drunks Snakes

3. How much did he get paid each day for his work?

one dollar and fifty cents nothing

eight dollars forty seven cents

twenty-five cents minimum wage

4. Did he like the Allegheny Portage Railroad?

no yes can't tell

5. Did people's feelings about the Allegheny Portage Railroad change?

no yes can't tell

6. Did the park really film this worker back in the old days?

no yes can't tell

7. Is this a true story?

no yes can't tell

If These Buildings Could Talk

There have been many things that have happened to the Lemon House. Look in the exhibit room and see what clues tell us the answers to these questions.

1. How do we know what color dishes were used at the Lemon House?



2. How do we know what people ate at the Lemon House?

3. Look carefully at the picture of the Lemon House of 1920. Do you think the vine on the front of the house makes it look like there was a fire that burned the house?

4. In that picture, what do you see in the front of the house between the trees?

5. How is the Lemon House today different from the Lemon House that Sam and Jean Lemon owned?



Games of the Past



members.tripod.com/wash_artillery/19th.htm

Bilboquette (Bilbo Catcher)

The Bilbo Catcher is a ball with a hole drilled in it with a string attaching it to a handle. The handle has a small curved end to catch and balance the ball. This is a lot like the Cup and Ball game, but much harder.

Cup & Ball

The cup and ball game has been around for centuries. To play you need a ball with a string attached and a cup into which the ball is to be swung and landed.

Dolls

Poor children could not afford dolls with heads and hands made of wax or porcelain, their dolls had heads made of papier-mâché or the same cloth the bodies were made of. It was not unusual for a little girl to own a doll with a cloth head that had the face drawn on it. Some dolls were faceless, like today's Amish dolls. Even slave children had dolls, sometimes made of nothing more than a corn cob with a strip of cloth or a rag wrapped or tied around it!

Hoop & Stick

This toy - a hoop of wood pushed by a child who taps or whacks the hoop with a rod to keep it rolling- is known to have been used by children since the time of the Pharaohs.

Jackstraws

This game was introduced to the early settlers in America by the Indians. Jackstraws is the same game sold today as Pick-Up Sticks.

Women's Clothing

Ladies dressed differently in 1840. See if you recognize any of the words here that describe lady's clothing.

Circle the hidden words in the maze.

Words are placed backwards, forward, diagonally, up and down.



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M B P L B L O O M E R S C K S P B
O O E W S O F G X P W L O H L I Z
B D T R T H N Q C X S R L G I N J
C I T X S I I N S O N L L S P A B
A C I D K H T F E Z R O A G P F N
P E C C C O V L T T V S R A E O S
S X O F O O W O A E N G E I R R Z
X T A H M P S U S P R W B T S E R
S J T J S E K N B K R T F E H S D
W V L H T D J C U N Q O P R A W V
Z M K K P S P E S P W A N S W Q L
C Z N D J K V C T W T N F R L D W
S S D M H I W N L T L C J E N Q G
Q B G X H R L C E H F Y M W Q K G
V C F J L T S N C M S R N A V Z F
Y F Q S M F S B K C M M T R J K Z
L E G O F M U T T O N Y X D S Y G
    
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Here are the words to look for:

LEG OF MUTTON COLLAR HOOPED SKIRT SHIFT
 APRON CORSET MOBCAPS SLIPPERS SHAWL
 BLOOMERS DRAWERS PATTENS SMOCKS
 BODICE FLOUNCE PETTICOAT STOCKING
 BONNET GAITERS PINAFORES BUSTLE
 GLOVES

Code

Look at the number and write the letter that is below the number to figure out the words. 1=A, 2=B and so on until 26=Z.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N

15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26
O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Not only does this give you some ideas of who might be in the Lemon House, but it also is an alphabet code for the Math Fun Try It!



Characters

Use the math code to figure out this list of people you might find in the Lemon House Tavern back in the time of the Allegheny Portage Railroad.

$\overline{10}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{1}$ $\overline{14}$ $\overline{13}$ $\overline{15}$ $\overline{15}$ $\overline{18}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{12}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{13}$ $\overline{15}$ $\overline{14}$

$\overline{9}$ $\overline{18}$ $\overline{9}$ $\overline{19}$ $\overline{8}$ $\overline{19}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{18}$ $\overline{22}$ $\overline{9}$ $\overline{14}$ $\overline{7}$ $\overline{7}$ $\overline{9}$ $\overline{18}$ $\overline{12}$

$\overline{20}$ $\overline{18}$ $\overline{1}$ $\overline{22}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{12}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{18}$

$\overline{13}$ $\overline{15}$ $\overline{20}$ $\overline{8}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{18}$

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$\overline{14}$ $\overline{21}$ $\overline{18}$ $\overline{19}$ $\overline{5}$

$\overline{12}$ $\overline{1}$ $\overline{21}$ $\overline{14}$ $\overline{4}$ $\overline{18}$ $\overline{5}$ $\overline{19}$ $\overline{19}$

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