Statue of Liberty

Self-Guided Activity (Elementary School)

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Statue of Liberty: Be a Detective!

Hey Inspector! Time to be a great detective and see if you can discover information about the Statue and answer these questions!

Directions: Explore the Statue of Liberty and around the perimeter of Liberty Island to start your investigation!

The Statue of Liberty holds a stone in her left arm called a tablet. The tablet also lists a very important date. Can you figure out what that is? Use the chart (on your right) to help you out.

Try to write the year of your birth in Roman Numerals _____

Our neighbor, Ellis Island, helped process millions of immigrants coming to the United States. Ask a Park Ranger to help you find out what year the Ellis Island Immigration Museum was opened. Try to write that year in Roman Numerals

The Statue of Liberty's copper skin changed from a reddish brown to green over 30 years. Find out how the Statue changed its color during this time. (Look for the outside panel, "Why is the Statue Green?" to help you with the answer)



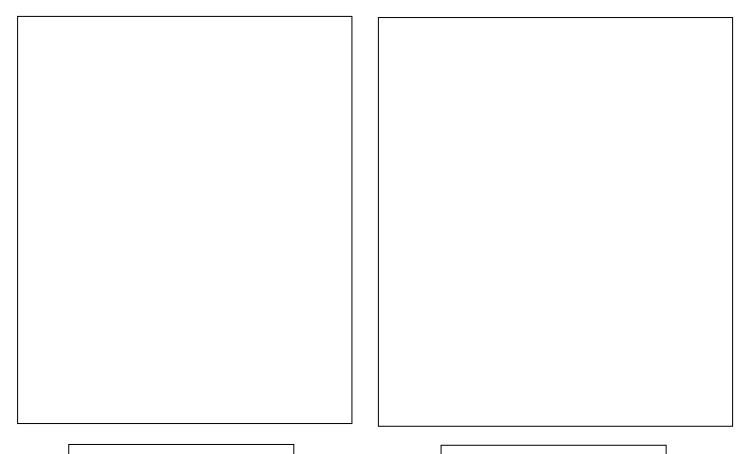
(The tablet reads "July IV MDCCLXXVI")

Roman Numerals			
I = 1	VI = 6	XL = 40	XC = 90
II = 2	VII = 7	L = 50	C = 100
III = 3	VIII = 8	LX = 60	D = 500
IV = 4	IX = 9	LXX = 70	M = 1000
V = 5	X = 10	LXXX = 80	





You have been given a clue that a part of the inside of the Statue was created by French engineer, Gustave Eiffel. Draw the Eiffel Tower (Eiffel's later construction) with your own drawing of the Statue of Liberty. Note: Eiffel built the inside support structure that has helped the Statue continue to stay strong and stable today.



Eiffel Tower

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All good detectives must listen to the clues they have discovered and decide what they mean. The Statue of Liberty has meant many things to different people. What does the Statue of Liberty mean to you?

Bonus: Recruit a Park Ranger to help define the term, "liberty" and "The New Colossus."