

'Littles Lindenwald Clues Match'

Directions for Grown-Ups

1. This activity involves the various information signs around the gravel the 'Carriage Path.'

2. There are 3 pages in this 'Littles Lindenwald Clues Match' packet.

- THE PAGE WITH THIS PICTURE IS NUMBERED 1-10.
- NEXT TO EACH NUMBER IS THE TITLE OF A SIGN.
- UNDER EACH TITLE ARE DIRECTIONS TO THE SIGN.
- THE TITLE AND NUMBER CORRESPOND TO THE SAME ON THE 'LITTLES CLUES MATCH ACTIVITY SHEET.'
- FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS TO EACH SIGN LOCATION AND DO THE ACTIVITY RELATING TO IT.



The page with this picture is the 'Littles Lindenwald Clues Match' activity sheet.

Take a page and pencil, follow the route and answer the question at each sign.

**The last page is for question #2.*





Martin Van Buren Historic Site

'Littles Lindenwald

Clues Match'

Now Ready, Steady, Go!

1. "Welcome!" Find Martin Van Buren's picture is on this sign.

2. "Lindenwald and Old Post Road"

* Look for the page with the leaves on it to answer this question.

3. "A House Transformed"

Martin Van Buren's second floor bedroom was bright and sunny because of the very large windows. You can find two of his bedroom windows on the top left side.

* The home has many windows on the front of the house. Can you count them all? _____

4. "Farmhand and Fishing" President Van Buren enjoyed fishing enough to have two ponds created for the property, allowing him to fish whenever he felt like it. He paid people to fill it.

If you were paid to fill the pond with fish, what fish would you choose? (Be imaginative!)

5. "Farm Operations"

This 'Hops' plant was chosen by President Van Buren. One fact about Hops plants is that they can grow up to a foot a day!

* How tall are you in feet? _____

* If you were a Hops plant how many days would it take to grow the amount of feet you are tall? _____

6. "A Bustling Household"

The President usually had his grandchildren living here. Two of his eleven grandchildren are in a picture on the sign.

The toys they brought to keep them company were very different from yours, and often made of wood.

What kind of games do you think they might have played while here? _____

7. "Fertile Political Ground"

President Van Buren wanted a fancy room to have dinner with his friends. The wallpaper has pictures of farmers and animals.

* What animals can you find pictured on the wallpaper? _____

8. *While walking through the wooded area stop and listen to the sounds of nature.*

* What did you hear? _____

* What did you see? _____

9. "Soil Improvers"

This farm is similar to the president's farm. He grew fruits and vegetables not only to feed those living in his house but also to sell.

* What is your favourite fruit? _____ * Your favourite vegetable? _____

10. "Uncovering the Past"

Archaeologists do not just dig in dirt. They look for clues to the past. The stones were once part of a gate- house.

* Archaeologists dug here to find clues about families who once lived in what was the second gate-house. The other is the yellow building opposite of this stone area.

What kinds of items do you think were uncovered by the Archaeologists?

Congratulations!

Completing this Clues Match has earned you a Junior Ranger badge!



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‘Littles Lindenwald Clues Match’
Route and Directions

(Wayside is a museum term for information sign)

1. “Welcome!”

❖ *Begin at the wayside in the parking lot with the picture of Martin Van Buren.*

2. “Lindenwald and Old Post Road.”

❖ *Continue along the path parallel to 9h. This wayside is on the right under a group of trees.*

3. “A House Transformed.”

❖ *This wayside is set in the middle of the lawn directly in front of the mansion.*

4. “Farmhands and Fishing.”

❖ *Return to the gravel path, follow it to the right and straight toward the yellow gatehouse.*

5. “Farm Operations.”

❖ *Follow the gravel path to the tall pole on the left of two trees.*

6. “Bustling Household.”

❖ *You will find this wayside to the far right, between the Sycamore and Pine trees.*

7. “Fertile Political Ground.”

❖ *This wayside is close to the benches on the side of the house. In front of the wooded area.*

8. A walk through the woods. (Not a wayside)

❖ *Turn around and walk through the wooded area on the way to the next wayside. Stop and listen to the sounds of and look for signs of nature.*

9. “Soil Improvers.”

❖ *This wayside is behind the wooded area, along the farm line.*

10. “Uncovering the Past.”

❖ *Return to the gravel path and follow it to the left –toward the parking lot. This wayside is at the end of the path near the stone foundation.*

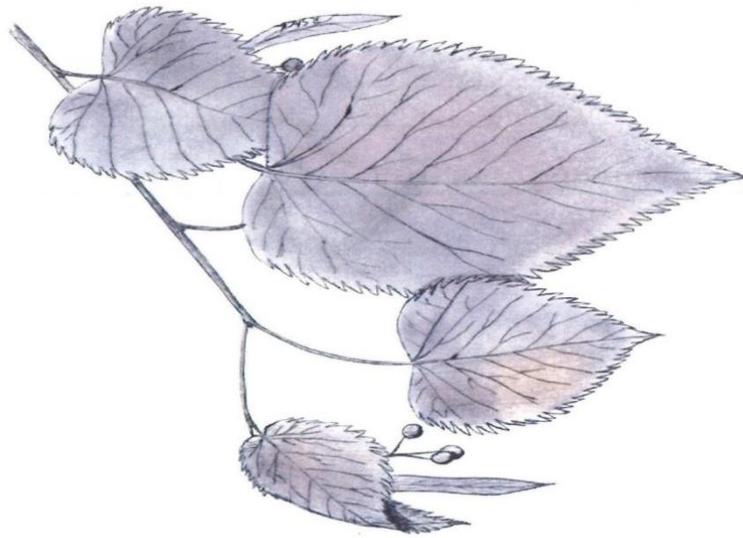
2. "Lindenwald and Old Post Road."

President Van Buren named this house and farm 'Lindenwald.' It's a combination of the words; Linden and Wald.

Linden is the name of a tree. Look up; you're standing under one!

And, 'Wald' is the German word for forest.

Linden trees have heart- shaped leaves.



Draw your own Linden leaf in the space below: