

## Wayside Scavenger Hunt

### **Activity Location: Washington's Headquarters Area (Encampment Tour Stop #5)**

**Directions:** Read each question ahead of time. Once at Encampment Tour stop #5, read all the informational signs (waysides) to find the answers. Make sure to read carefully to get the correct answer!

1. George Washington issued General Orders on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1776 about the men he was looking for to be part of his Guard. What were 3 qualities he wanted members of the guard to have?
2. Where did the British land (arrive by boat) on August 25th, 1777, before capturing Philadelphia?
3. Before the winter encampment, the British Army raided supplies stored in this area. On what date did the raid occur?
4. The Continental Army could march up to 20 miles a day. How far is Valley Forge from the British-held Philadelphia?
5. In 1777, Valley Forge had several buildings near Washington's Headquarters. Name 3 of them.
6. Which group of soldiers served as the model company for drilling the army?
7. Harper's New Monthly Magazine said there were 3 types of mills in the town of Valley Forge. What types were they?
8. A bridge was built across the Schuylkill River so the troops camped at Valley Forge could access what 3 things on the other side?

9. How much did George Washington and the Continental Army pay to rent Isaac Potts's house?

10. Up to 25 people lived in George Washington's Headquarters. What were some of their titles/jobs?

11. What year does the earliest known photo of Headquarters date to?

12. What year did Houdon create the statue of George Washington?

13. The statue of George Washington is a replica. Where is the original?

14. The statue of George Washington includes an object called *fasces*. What do they represent in this statue?

15. How many people attended the 1877 Centennial Celebration of the encampment at Valley Forge?

16. In 1879, in an effort to purchase and preserve Washington's Headquarters, a group of citizens sold "shares" for how much?

17. What year did Valley Forge become a state park?

18. Name two items that were found during the 1920s archeological excavations of the forge?

19. Who signed legislation to make Valley Forge a national historical park on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1976?

20. What are 2 factors currently affecting the water quality of Valley Creek?

**Bonus critical thinking questions! Finish this section after you've completed the top portion.**

It took a lot of hard work by many people over the years to make Valley Forge what you see today. Is there a special place in your town that you think is important (historically or environmentally) that should be protected or preserved? What can you do to make that happen?

Over the years, Valley Forge has changed greatly from industrial village surrounded by farmland to military encampment to state and national park. Is there any area in your town that has changed? How has it changed?