

Places Tell History

Use place clues to connect landmarks and history.

2.12 "The student will apply history and social science skills to connect geography to landmarks and historic events including, but not limited to the Jefferson Memorial and the Lincoln Memorial..."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle every place name. Draw a line from each circled place to words that tell the person, event, or history connected to it.

Landmarks and History

- ① In Washington, D.C., two memorials stand near the National Mall. The Jefferson Memorial honors Thomas Jefferson, a president who helped write the Declaration of Independence. The Lincoln Memorial honors Abraham Lincoln, the president who led the nation during the Civil War.
- ② During the American Revolution, George Washington and the Continental Army camped at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania. The soldiers faced the cold winter of 1777–1778 there. Earlier, in December 1776, Washington led troops across the Delaware River from Pennsylvania to New Jersey. That crossing helped begin a surprise attack at Trenton.
- ③ Yellowstone National Park spreads across Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho. In 1872, the United States made Yellowstone the first national park. Its geysers, hot springs, and animals are part of its history. The park shows how a place can be protected for people in the future.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 Which president does each Washington, D.C., memorial honor?

2 Where did Washington's army camp in the winter of 1777-1778? What river had troops crossed in December 1776 before the attack at Trenton?

3 What three states does Yellowstone National Park spread across, and what happened there in 1872?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Choose a landmark or historic place not named in the reading. Write two sentences. Name where it is, then explain a person, event, or history it connects to.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle every place name. Draw a line from each circled place to words that tell the person, event, or history connected to it. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which president does each Washington, D.C., memorial honor?	The Jefferson Memorial honors Thomas Jefferson. The Lincoln Memorial honors Abraham Lincoln.
2	Where did Washington's army camp in the winter of 1777-1778? What river had troops crossed in December 1776 before the attack at Trenton?	The army camped at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania in 1777-1778. Earlier, in December 1776, troops crossed the Delaware River.
3	What three states does Yellowstone National Park spread across, and what happened there in 1872?	Yellowstone spreads across Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho. In 1872, the United States made it the first national park.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

The Statue of Liberty is on Liberty Island in New York Harbor. It connects to friendship between France and the United States because France gave the statue to the United States in 1886.

Accept accurate connections between each named place and its person, event, or historical fact from the passage. For the open response, accept any accurate landmark or historic place not named in the reading that includes a location and a valid historical connection.