

Capital City Detectives

Find Virginia and United States government places.

2.4.a "locating the Virginia and United States capitals and capitol buildings;"

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline every capital city name and circle every named capitol building. Your marks will help you tell a city from a government building.

Cities and Buildings

- ① A capital is a city where a government works. Virginia's capital is Richmond. The United States capital is Washington, D.C. When you locate a capital, you are finding a city, not a building.
- ② A capitol is a building where lawmakers meet and work. The Virginia State Capitol stands in Richmond. Virginia's lawmakers meet there. The United States Capitol stands in Washington, D.C., where members of Congress meet.
- ③ Capital and capitol sound alike, but they name different places. To find Virginia's government city, look for Richmond. To find its main government building, look for the Virginia State Capitol. Use the same city-and-building idea for the nation.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What city is the capital of Virginia?

2 What capitol building is in Richmond?

3 Write the United States capital city and the name of its capitol building.

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Make two visitor signs. In panel 1, draw and label a sign that points to Virginia's capitol building. In panel 2, draw and label a sign that points to the United States Capitol.

	
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PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline every capital city name and circle every named capitol building. Your marks will help you tell a city from a government building. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What city is the capital of Virginia?	Richmond.
2	What capitol building is in Richmond?	The Virginia State Capitol.
3	Write the United States capital city and the name of its capitol building.	Washington, D.C.; the United States Capitol.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Panel 1: A sign with an arrow says, "Virginia State Capitol, Richmond." Panel 2: A sign with an arrow says, "United States Capitol, Washington, D.C."

Accept clear signs that correctly pair the Virginia State Capitol with Richmond and the United States Capitol with Washington, D.C. Labels may use arrows, words, or simple drawings.