Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum

Self-Guided Learning Packet

SOCIAL STUDIES

Name:

Grades: 2-5

STUDENT GUIDE

Connection to Standards • History
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- 5th: 1.1.1.a, b; 1.2.2.b
We encourage you to visit all of the exhibits, however, the activity locations in this packet are marked by the blue tower logo.

Share photos from your visit!
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Read the labels for each of the four letters in the exhibit to find the dates for the questions below. Add the events to the timeline in chronological order (from the longest ago to the most recent).

1. **D: Soap Box Derby** - When was the first official Soap Box Derby Race held? ______________
2. **V: Vallejos Restaurant** - What year did the restaurant open? ______________
3. **B: Bloomer Girl** - What year did Julia Archibald Holmes travel to Colorado? ______________
4. **X: X Marks the Spot** - When was Colorado Springs Founded? ______________

EVIDENCE: GENERAL PALMER

William Jackson Palmer founded Colorado Springs in 1871. This exhibit uses primary sources as evidence to tell his and his family’s story.

Primary sources are first-hand, original accounts or evidence about a person, place, object, or an event. Look for the three types of primary sources listed below and draw an example from the exhibit:

- Object/Artifact
- Handwritten Document
- Photograph
VAN BRIGGLE POTTERY

Artus Van Briggle was one of many people who came to Colorado Springs to recover from an illness called Tuberculosis. While he was here he created and sold artwork.

Look around the exhibit and write TRUE or FALSE for each: The Van Briggle’s made...

- Clothing __________________________
- Pottery __________________________
- Paintings _________________________
- Tiles _____________________________
- Quilts ____________________________

Can you find this cast of hands made out of clay? Who’s hands are these?

Artus & Anne Van Briggle

Take the 1917 birdcage elevator to the 3rd floor/upper level!

HELEN HUNT JACKSON’s HOME

Welcome to the actual home of famous author and activist, Helen Hunt Jackson! Explore the exhibit. Can you find the name of one of the books she wrote?

A person’s home is a wonderful place to discover the past! Explore the house to find the objects in the pictures below and discuss the questions for each item.

Helen loved nature. Can you find any other items from nature in her home?

Helen enjoyed traveling around the world. Do you buy special souvenirs on your trips?

Helen fought for the rights of American Indians. What part of the country did Helen get this Mission Indian basket tray from?

Can you spot the fancy ink well on Helen’s desk?
ANY PLACE THAT IS NORTH & WEST

Visit the Any Place That is North and West exhibit. Can you find this volume of the magazine A Free Republic?

Gretchen McRae, a local writer and Civil Rights activist, published this national magazine.

How much did this magazine cost in 1939? ________________

People like Gretchen McRae have worked to make positive changes in the world. What problem would you work to change today?

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CITY OF SUNSHINE

The Modern Woodmen Sanatorium - A treatment center for TB patients

Many people came to Colorado Springs to recover from a disease called tuberculosis - “TB” (or consumption).

By looking at different primary sources and the text in the exhibit can you list two reasons why Colorado Springs was a good place to recover from this disease?

1. ______________________________________________________
2. ______________________________________________________

Find the video at the entrance of the train worker. He says:

“The atmosphere is free from all germ life.”

Do you think this is true or false? (circle one)

Why do you think the train worker said this false statement?

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Choose (3) events from your life. Draw a picture of the event and write what the event was.

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