

do you see? (Hint-careful, this answer is “pointless”)

***President Roosevelt ordered trees cut down so that he could see the construction of the answer to this question from the White House.

C + P - Starting in 1923 Boy Scouts were Honor Guards for the lighting of the National Christmas Tree. By 1926 a Boy Scout bugler, standing in the middle of the Ellipse, played a special “call” to announce to the city that the lights had been lit, a practice that continued for many decades. At this point, have someone take a picture of you, **as if you were blowing a bugle**, with the Christmas Tree and the White House in the background. (As close to Ellipse center as you can get.)

8) If you are facing North and the Ellipse is a watch, proceed out at 3 o’clock. If you have done this correctly, you will be heading towards the famous National Boy Scout memorial. Go to the Memorial.

How many metal Scout emblems are there in the Boy Scout Memorial Park?

(How many letters are there around the fountain? Bonus question, just for fun)

P - Take a photo of your group with the Boy Scout Memorial in the background.

Proceed North from the Memorial approximately 200 meters and you will see off to your left the White House Visitor Center. (Optional) - If it is open, you can get a special stamp for the large box at the bottom right-hand corner of your card. From there continue Northeast to the corner of the block. Continue to the Northeast corner of the next block, and safely cross the street, to the East.

9) **C** - In this park, find the monument dedicated to the symbol of the United States. Stay on this block and look for the large hotel that is across the street to the Northeast.

- What is the name of this hotel?

*** The Boy Scouts of America was born in that building over 100 years ago! Great men like Dan Beard, Ernest Thompson Seton, and Baden-Powell all met in that building. Later that year, on October 25th, 1910 the Boy Scouts and the Washington, D.C. Council were officially organized.

~~**P** - Take a very good photo of your group in front of this hotel.~~

10) Continue East across the street and you will enter into Freedom Plaza. You have been hiking around Washington DC and seeing some very historic places. Did you have a map of the area? What is the biggest map you have ever seen? Have you ever been *inside* a map? Here at Freedom Plaza, you can jump right into the map. This map shows the original plan of Washington DC. Earlier you visited the White House, but it wasn’t always called the White House.

- Look on the map you are standing on for what it was originally called?

History Of Scouting Trail

HISTORY HIKE HCQ (Hike Challenge Questions)

Required to Bring Each PERSON:

- 1) One plastic bag (small grocery type)
- 2) 2 Pencils/Pens
- 3) Camera or ability to take your own 6 photos
- 4) One Answer card
- 5) One HCQ
- 6) Proper hike clothing, hat
- 7) Water bottle
- 8) Money to purchase Hike Insignia upon completion



Required to Bring Each GROUP:

- 1) Compass
 - 2) Nice US \$10 bill
 - 3) D.C. Map
- Optional -
- 4) Batteries for cameras
 - 5) Binoculars
 - 6) Metro Map

The H.O.S.T. Adventure begins NOW-

-There are 10 stations - the route to those stations is up to your group. You may use your compass, street map or your Scout skills - please do not use any electronic devices to help. Some stations ask for an answer to a question, some are challenges, some are a place you need to take a photo, or some combination of these -and one Good Turn is included.

(CGT) - Civic Good Turn, *** is Interesting Scout History

(P) Photo Stops # indicates answer needed,

(C) is a challenge.

Fill out your answer cards completely. Just think - you are walking where Scouts have walked and marched over 100 years ago!!

Have Fun & Good Luck!!!

1) Proceed to the courtyard of the National Geographic Building, the **M St. Entrance**, between 16 & 17th sts. This is where you **START**. (*METRO STOP - Farragut North, on the RED Line*)

***This famous building is also dedicated to explorers. Scouting started in the United States in 1910. The very first President of the Boy Scouts of America, and the first President of Washington D.C. Scouting was named Mr. Colin H. Livingstone. He was the Grandson of a famous African Missionary and Explorer name Dr. David Livingstone. He was from Washington, D.C., and a friend of Mr. William Boyce from Chicago, a newspaper man, who brought Scouting to the US from England

where he met B-P, (Baden-Powell) the man who began Scouting in the first place. Mr. Livingstone suggested that he bring Scouting to Washington D.C. and start it here which he did. You will see the actual building where it started.

While you are at National Geographic, here is your question:

*# Many Rocks, some Natural and Rough, some cut oh so nice,
however one, and only one, is cut so twice!*

Which compass direction is it pointing?

(CGT) -This is the Civic Good Turn - You must complete this anywhere from here to the end of the Hike, use the plastic bag you were required to bring and collect 10 pieces of litter or trash that you see, put it in your bag and when you have collected 10, show them to your Hike Leader. Have him or her initial that as completed on your card along with yourself that you have done your "Good Turn" to help beautify the city of Washington, D.C. Place the collected litter in a proper trash can or rubbish bin -

2) Proceed out the M Street side and go East. You will run into 16th Street. Stay on the West sidewalk of 16th Street and go South. Keep going until you see a large white building on the other side of the park. This park is called Lafayette Square. Enter the park.

***That large white building is where all the Boy Scouts got their Eagle Scout Medals presented to them in the early years.

Once you get into the park you will notice a lot of people. Some real and some are stone. How many stone people can you find on the statues by looking at all 5 statues in the park?

3) *** Scouting started in 1910 while President Taft was in office. At that time there were only 46 States in the US.

Name one statue in the park that was also dedicated in 1910.

Take out the special \$10 bill that your group was asked to bring.

C - Head South East and find the building that is on the back of that bill? Then go to the White House where the President lives. He is also the Honorary President of the Boy Scouts of America.

P - Have someone take your picture with the White House behind you.

4) Go West from Lafayette Park to 17th Street. Many Scouts marched down this Street for parades. Go South down 17th Street until you pass the 1st Army Park on the left. Then you will cross E Street, stay on the block, and you will see a large building on the right. This is the Red Cross Building. The Red Cross has a long history of helping people during emergencies. This building was finished in 1915.

***During the War, Scouts all over Washington hid Emergency

Service Carts in case of air-raids. They were ready to help with fires, feed people and provide First Aid. Look across the street to the First Aid building.

How many Red Cross emblems on the building, do you see?

5) From there proceed South to almost the end of the block. Look to your West. That is the DAR Building. That is the Daughters of the American Revolution. In 1913 the Boy Scouts came to the rescue of women marching, and became famous for helping. In 1913 the Boy Scouts were almost bankrupt, and the women's organization was in trouble. After this they both began to grow. This building was built one year before the Cub Scouts started.

When was this building built?

Hint- The Cub Scouts started being part of the Boy Scout Program "XV" years after the Red Cross building was built. Find out when the Cub Scouts started, then solve the question. Did you know that the younger boy program for the Boy Scouts was originally called the "Boy Rangers"?

6) Continue South on the East side of the street. The Ellipse is the large green park area South of the White House across from the DAR. Go South to Constitution Ave. Look Southeast across Constitution Ave.

***That corner is where the first Boy Scouts of D.C. had their Scout Skill Competitions. They would compete in building a fire by friction with a bow, and they had First Aid contests. Even the President would come out sometimes and awards the first place ribbons.

Across the street is the tall Washington Monument, where there was the first Boy Scout Jamboree in 1937, with over 50,000 Scouts camped here on the Mall and all over D.C.

It is the highest point in all of D.C.,

It is much taller than you or me,

The door of which you can not now see -

It faces the Capitol, which compass direction can it be?

7) Proceed East along Constitution Avenue, and you will see a World War One Memorial. Take a left into the Ellipse. At the North end find the National Christmas Tree, South of the White House. Stand so that the White House is exactly North in front of you. Then turn around in exactly the opposite direction. You should be looking perfectly South.

What building or monument

