Chicago History Museum

Chicago Landmarks

READ:

Chicago is home to many famous places often called landmarks! From skyscrapers to sports stadiums, neighborhoods to airports, and beaches and museums, Chicago has a lot to offer. Sometimes landmarks are not famous places, they are the special building in the neighborhood where people gather and have fun.

DO:

What are some of your favorite Chicago landmarks?

- **Guess** the landmarks described in riddles on the following page. Go online to learn more about them!
- **Play** Charades! Think of a favorite landmark and act it out and see if people can guess where you are, use the list to help with ideas. !
- Draw your favorite Chicago landmark.

SHARE:

- Hang a picture of your landmark drawing for all to see!
- **Post** a picture of your drawing or a video of your charades clue on Twitter or Instagram with the hashtag #CHMatHomeFamilies to see if people can guess it!



Image of downtown overlaid with kid's art. Created by the Chicago History Museum.

Approx. Time: 30—45 minutes Materials:

- \Rightarrow Paper/pen
- \Rightarrow Drawing materials
- ⇒ Optional: Map of the city to find the landmarks; internet to learn more!.

Chicago Landmarks: Who Am I?

- 1. I am the home of the Chicago Bulls and Blackhawks! You can also visit me to see big concerts.
- 2. I am one of the Great Lakes, and the state directly northeast of Illinois is named after me!
- 3. I am home for many different types of animals from around the world. I am named after the President on the penny!
- 4. I am still the tallest building in Chicago, and if you are brave, you can step out onto the "Ledge"!
- 5. You can find my name on chewing gum and I'm the home of the Chicago Cubs.
- 6. Event though the Chicago Fire of 1871 was all around me, I was left standing. Chicago needed a lot of my first word to help stop the fire!
- 7. I am the home of the White Sox and have had many names over the years!
- 8. My exhibitions feature famous paintings and sculptures. Two lions stand guard at my front entrance!
- 9. I am not as big as the other one in the city, but many people land here every day! You can take the orange L line to get to me.
- 10. I am a building with three giant Xs which help me from swaying too much when it is windy.
- 11. I am a museum where you can learn all about Chicago's history.
- 12. I am downtown in Grant Park right by Lake Shore Drive. I am the largest fountain Chicago!
- 13. I mark the entrance to the Little Village neighborhood. I was designed to look like archways marking entrances to pueblos (towns) in Mexico.
- 14. I am a twin made of red and blue steel. Together, we mark the Paseo Boricua in Humboldt Park.

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15. I was once the home of a factory which made railroad cars. Now I am a national monument run by the U.S. National Park Service!

16. I mark the entrance to a Chicago neighborhood, I have welcomed people since 1975. My inscription says "The World is for All".

- 17. I'm not as well known or as tall as the downtown building I used to share my name with. Here I sit at 14 stories tall what's left of a complex that used to be the world's largest store.
- 18. I, and my friends, sit alone in Lake Michigan to help provide clean drinking water to the city and the surrounding areas. Four of us remain, as you look out you will see us rising from the waters.
- 19. I was created to honor the thousands of African Americans who traveled north between the 1910s and the 1970s. The texture of my clothes and suitcase were made to look like the bottoms of shoes.

20. I have been the site of a World's Fair in 1893, am now the home of the Museum of Science and Industry and the future home of the Obama Presidential Center.

- 21. I was built in 1879 by the architects Burnham and Root to mark the entrance to the place which helped give Chicago the nickname "Hog Butcher for the World" and was the center of the meatpacking industry in the U.S.
- 22. I was founded in 1908 and now cover 12 acres of land and display over 2000 different kinds of plants for my visitors.
- 23. I am one of Chicago's many beaches. Last year, I was home to a pair of Piping Plovers named after me. These endangered birds were the first to nest in Chicago in 64 years!
- 24. I am a famous flea market on the southside of Chicago. You can find everything from home goods to fruits and vegetables here.
- 25. Now it's your turn! Make up a riddle about a famous location near you!

SPOILER Alert: Answers are on this page!

- 1. The United Center; 1901 West Madison St.
- 2. Lake Michigan
- 3. Lincoln Park Zoo; 2200 North Cannon Dr.
- 4. Willis (Sears) Tower; 233 South Wacker Dr.
- 5. Wrigley Field; 1060 West Addison St.
- 6. The Water Tower; 806 N. Michigan Ave .
- 7. Guaranteed Rate Field (formerly U.S. Cellular Field and Comiskey Park); 333 West 35th St.
- 8. Art Institute of Chicago ; 111 South Michigan Ave.
- 9. Midway Airport; 5700 South Cicero Ave.
- 10. 825 N. Michigan Ave (formerly the Hancock Building)
- 11. Chicago History Museum; 1601 N. Clark St.
- 12. Buckingham Fountain, Grant Park
- 13. Little Village Arch; 26th and Albany St.
- 14. Puerto Rican Flag Sculptures; Division St. and Western Ave.
- 15. Pullman National Monument; 11141 S. Cottage Grove Ave.
- 16. Chinatown Gate; W. Cermak Rd. and Wentworth Ave.
- 17. Sears Tower; 906 S. Homan Ave.
- 18. Water Cribs; Wilson Ave, Harrison/Dever (North Ave Beach), 4 –Mile Crib (Off Monroe Harbor); 68th/ Dunne Crib (Off 59th St. Harbor)
- 19. Monument to the Great Migration; 2600 S. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.
- 20. Jackson Park; 6401 S. Stony Island Ave.
- 21. Stockyard Gate; 850 W. Exchange Ave.
- 22. Garfield Park Conservatory; 300 N. Central Park Ave.
- 23. Montrose Beach, 4400 N. Lake Shore Dr.
- 24. Swap-o-Rama; 41st St. and Ashland Ave.
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