



## Chicago Landmarks



#### **INSTRUCTOR NOTE**

Ask students to locate the three white stripes on the Chicago flag. Remind students that these stripes represent the North, West, and South Sides of the city. Set the stage for students by telling them that they are going to go on an imaginary tour of Chicago. During this special tour they will explore Chicago's past and its present, learning about events that happened long ago and discovering life in Chicago today. Ask students to pay close attention while you, their tour guide, take them on the trip of a lifetime. Review the following vocabulary list with students prior to beginning. Remember to read the clues—but not the answers!

### Vocabulary

landmarks—famous buildings
waterway—a body of water that is used for transportation
industry—the act of making things in a factory
civilization—a people or a nation
products—goods, things that people use to live
swaying—moving back and forth

resident—someone who lives in a place







Note: Ask students to turn to the **Landmark Matching Game** sheets in their scrapbooks prior to reading the narrative.

elcome to the Circle Line Tour of Chicago! As you know, Chicago is one of the greatest cities in the world. It is the third largest city in the United States. Many of the sites and buildings we will discuss were built after the Chicago fire. Today we are going to play a game about the famous sites and landmarks to see as you visit Chicago. I am going to read a clue, and I want you to try to guess what the landmark or site is. Use your sheets to match clues to locations. Listen carefully!

Home of the Chicago Bulls and Chicago Blackhawks! (1. C. United Center)

I am one of the Great Lakes, and the state that is directly northeast of Illinois is named after me. (2. G. Lake Michigan)

I am a home for many different types of animals from around the world; I am named after the president on the penny. (3. D. Lincoln Park Zoo)

I used to be the tallest building in the world. I am still the tallest building in Chicago as well as in the United States. I am named after a retail store. (4. E. Sears Tower)

You can find my name on chewing gum; I am the home of the Chicago Cubs. (5. F. Wrigley Field)

Even though the Chicago Fire of 1871 was all around me, I was left standing. Chicago needed a lot more of the first word in my name to stop the fire. (6. H. Water Tower)

I am the home of the White Sox. (7. R. U.S. Cellular Field, formerly Comiskey Park)

My exhibitions feature famous paintings and sculpture. Two lions stand guard at my front entrance. (8. S. Art Institute)

Rebecca Heald packed her belongings in a trunk when she moved to come live here with her husband. (9. O. Site of Fort Dearborn)

I am not as big as the other one in the city, but many people land here every day. (10. I. Midway Airport)

I am a famous waterway named after the city. (11. K. Chicago River)

I am a museum where you can learn all about Chicago's history. (12. A. Chicago Historical Society.)





#### **Narrative**

I am the only remaining building from the 1893 Columbian Exposition. Today I am a museum where you can visit a coal mine, see a model train, or "fly" in an airplane (13. L. Museum of Science and Industry)

I am a Golden Lady, and I am the only statue in Jackson Park. I am a symbol of four centuries of civilization after Columbus came to the New World. (14. M. The Republic)

I am a neighborhood that many people visit to eat great Chinese food and shop in my stores that sell food and products from China. (15. J. Chinatown)

I am a building who is named after the first signer of the Declaration of Independence. I have three giant Xs on me that help me from swaying too much when it is windy. (16. N. John Hancock Building)

I am a beach named after a tree. (17. P. Oak Street Beach)

I am a museum that was named after the first non-Indian permanent settler of Chicago. You can learn about African American history here. (18. B. DuSable Museum of African American History) I am located downtown in Grant Park right off of Lake Shore Drive. I am the largest fountain in Chicago. (19. Q. Buckingham Fountain)







# **Activity**

Explain to students that they are going to play a game about the famous sites and landmarks of Chicago.

- 1 Have students turn to the *Landmark Matching Game* activity sheet in their scrapbooks. To familiarize themselves with the names of the landmarks and sights, have them read the list aloud. For each location, ask any students who have ever been there to raise their hands. Are there any places students have never heard of?
  - Read the narrative to students. When you have read a clue, allow the students time to try to match it to the proper location.
  - After you have been through the list once, assist students in figuring out the harder-to-guess names and places. Students who made matches that others did not can also offer hints.
  - If you have a map of Chicago, begin by marking where your school or institution is located. Then review the list again and mark each site so students can see geographically where these landmarks are located throughout the city and in relation to your institution (addresses are provided). You can lead this activity, or you can invite students to approach the map and take turns finding and marking landmark locations. If you have brochures or postcards with pictures of some of the landmarks, add them to your map.
  - Ask students if they would like to add any landmarks to the list. Are
    there other places they consider landmarks? Do they know both the
    names and locations of these new additions? If they do not know
    the locations, brainstorm how that information can be found.

#### **MATERIALS**

- Landmark Matching Game activity sheet (one for each student)
- pencil (one for each student)
- map of Chicago to display at front of room (optional)

### **Landmark Matching Game**

Match the clues and answers by writing the letter of the location by the clue.

#### **CLUES LOCATIONS** A. Chicago Historical **1.** Home of the Chicago Bulls and Chicago Blackhawks! \_\_\_\_ **Society** 2. I am one of the Great Lakes, and the state that is directly northeast of Illinois is named after me. **B. DuSable Museum** of African 3. I am a home for many different types of animals from around the world; I **American History** am named after the president on the penny. **4.** I used to be the tallest building in the world. I am still the tallest building in C. United Center Chicago as well as in the United States. I am named after a retail store. D. Lincoln Park Zoo **5.** You can find my name on chewing gum; I am the home of the Chicago E. Sears Tower 6. Even though the Chicago Fire of 1871 was all around me, I was left stand-**F.** Wrigley Field ing. Chicago needed a lot more of the first word in my name to stop the G. Lake Michigan **7.** I am the home of the White Sox. \_\_\_ H. Water Tower **8.** My exhibitions feature famous paintings and sculpture. Two lions stand I. Midway Airport guard at my front entrance. J. Chinatown 9. Rebecca Heald packed her belongings in a trunk when she moved to come K. Chicago River live here with her husband. L. Museum of Science **10.** I am not as big as the other one in the city, but many people land here every and Industry day. \_\_ **11.** I am a famous waterway named after the city. M. The Republic **12.** I am a museum where you can learn all about Chicago's history. N. John Hancock 13. I am the only remaining building of the 1893 Columbian Exposition. Today I Building am a museum where you can visit a coal mine, see a model train, or "fly" in O. Site of Fort an airplane. Dearborn 14. I am a Golden Lady, and I am the only statue in Jackson Park. I am a symbol P. Oak Street Beach of four centuries of civilization after Columbus came to the New World. Q. Buckingham Fountain **15.** I am a neighborhood that many people visit to eat great Chinese food and shop in my stores that sell food and products from China. \_\_\_ R. U.S. Cellular Field, **16.** I am a building named after the first signer of the Declaration of **formerly Comiskey** Independence. I have three giant Xs on me that help me from swaying too **Park** much when it is windy. \_\_ S. Art Institute

Bind your scrapbook here.

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## **Landmark Addresses**

Use the information below to locate landmarks on a map of Chicago.

#### From north to south:

- Wrigley Field: 1060 West Addison Street
- Lincoln Park Zoo: 2200 North Cannon Drive
- Chicago Historical Society: 1601 North Clark Street
- Oak Street Beach: 1000 North Lake Shore Drive
- John Hancock Building: 875 North Michigan Avenue
- Water Tower: 833 North Pearson Street
- Site of Fort Dearborn: at the south end of the Michigan Avenue bridge
- United Center: 1901 West Madison Street
- Art Institute of Chicago: 111 South Michigan Avenue
- Sears Tower: 233 South Wacker Drive
- Buckingham Fountain: Congress Parkway and Columbus Drive
- Chinatown: Twenty-second Street between Lake Shore Drive and Canal Street
- U.S. Cellular Field, formerly Comiskey Park: 333 West Thirty-fifth Street
- DuSable Museum of African American History: 740 East Fifty-sixth Place
- Museum of Science and Industry: 5700 South Lakeshore Drive
- Midway Airport: 5700 South Cicero Avenue
- Statue of the Republic: 6300 South at the Hayes-Richard Circle in Jackson Park in Hyde Park

