1 Statue of William Penn

William Penn was the founder of Pennsylvania. This 18’ tall, 3200 lb. statue, created by artist Janet de Coux, is a representation of Penn, not an accurate depiction of what William Penn looked like.

Read the quote on the wall behind the statue. The name Pennsylvania was given in honor of whom?

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How is Pennsylvania spelled?___________________________________________________

2 Rudy Gates

Commissioned in 1964, Bucks County artist Charles Rudy designed the bronze figures on the gates. Each depicts a distinguished Pennsylvanian, labeled with their name and an icon representing their field of expertise.

Name two of the distinguished Pennsylvanians.

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3 Establishing Pennsylvania: Significant Documents

The documents on the curved wall in front of the Pennsylvania Charter illustrate milestones in a 109-year journey to create Pennsylvania and its form of government as we know it today.

List one of the 5 documents and its significance to the establishment of Pennsylvania.

Document________________________________________________________

Significance_______________________________________________________
Dugout Canoe

Dugout canoes were an effective means of travel because of Pennsylvania’s numerous waterways. The dugout canoes were made by burning the trunk of a large white pine tree and scraping out the ashes to make a hollow center. When not in use, the canoes were submerged in cold water, weighed down with rocks, preserving them at that location for future use.

Where was the dugout canoe in the exhibit found and to what year is it dated?

City/County_________________________________________________    Year______________

Conestoga Wagon

The Conestoga Wagon was first built in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania in the early 1700s. With their curved bottoms, these wagons were ideally designed to move cargo over the rolling hills and valleys in southeastern Pennsylvania, an area known as the Piedmont Province.

Compare and contrast the physical features of the Conestoga Wagon and the Concord style coach directly across from it.

Conestoga wagon___________________________________________________________

Concord style coach_________________________________________________________

The Battle of Gettysburg: Pickett’s Charge

Created by artist Peter Frederick Rothermel, this painting was the first work of art commissioned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. It memorializes the efforts of infantry soldiers during Pickett’s Charge, which took place at the Battle of Gettysburg during the American Civil War on July 3, 1863.

What is the name of the fictional figure in the painting that represents the fighting spirit of the common soldiers on both sides? ________________________________
A Dunkleosteus terrelli could grow 27’ to 30’ long and weighed approximately 4 tons or 8,000 pounds, about the size of a modern killer whale. During the time when Dunkleosteus lived, about 408 to 362 million years ago, the land now known as Pennsylvania would have been under water.

Name an animal that is smaller in length and one that is larger in length than the Dunkleosteus?
Smaller _____________________________________
Larger _____________________________________

The widespread coal beds of Pennsylvania, one of the state’s most unique geologic features, have shaped both the history and prehistory of the state. Pennsylvania is the only state with both bituminous (soft) and anthracite (hard) coal. The state’s rich bituminous coal deposits were formed from the vegetation that died during the Carboniferous Period.

How many million years ago was the Carboniferous Period?

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The Marshalls Creek Mastodon is one of the most complete skeletons of a mastodon found in the eastern United States. Mastodons and mammoths were both large, hairy proboscideans, with trunks. Although now extinct, both animals lived in Pennsylvania about 30 million to 10,000 years ago.

List three quick facts about the mastodon.

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The forests, meadows, lakes, rivers, and wetlands of Pennsylvania support the variety of plants, animals, and other organisms that live there.

Find the Rachel Carson case. What is the title of her 1962 book, which addressed the negative effects of pesticides on the environment?

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