

## Fun with Miss Freedom!

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### I. Georgia's Government

Miss Freedom wants you to begin your journey at the State Symbols case. Can you find her in the case marked with a number 1 (Hint: look for the case to the left of our two bald eagles)?

Miss Freedom wants to know if you can find the **Georgia State Flag**.

Look closely at our state flag. In the top left hand corner, you will see 13 stars.

*What do the stars represent?* \_\_\_\_\_

Inside the 13 stars you will see the Georgia state seal. The state seal has our state motto written across the three pillars.

*What is Georgia's motto?* \_\_\_\_\_

Our motto represents the three branches of government: Legislative, Judicial, and Executive.

*Which word in our motto describes the Legislative branch?* \_\_\_\_\_

*Judicial branch?* \_\_\_\_\_ *Executive branch?* \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom's next stop: Go left towards the Indian Chief. Take a right down the hallway and find the case on the left with Miss Freedom and a number 2.

This exhibit case explores Georgia's **Legislative branch**.

*What is the job of the Legislative branch?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What are two Georgia laws that affect you?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What is the name of Georgia's legislative branch?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What two groups make up Georgia's Legislative branch?* \_\_\_\_\_

*How many people are in each group of lawmakers?* \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom's next stop: Continue down the hallway towards the corner steps. When you reach the corner go to the case on the left with Miss Freedom and a number 3.

This exhibit case explores Georgia's **Judicial branch**.

*What is the job of the Judicial branch?* \_\_\_\_\_

*How many justices sit on the Supreme Court?* \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom's next stop: Continue around to the right and visit the last case on the right with Miss Freedom and the number 4.

This exhibit case explores Georgia's **Executive branch**.

*Who is the current Governor of Georgia?* \_\_\_\_\_

*According to this exhibit, what are the six roles of the Governor?* \_\_\_\_\_

*How is the role of Georgia's Governor different from the role of the President of the United States?* \_\_\_\_\_

**BONUS ACTIVITY!** From December 1946 to March 1947, Georgia had THREE Governors at the same time! The Georgia Capitol Museum has a case that explains why. Find this case and **name Georgia's three Governors!** (Hint: Look behind you!)

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## II. The Georgia Capitol

Miss Freedom wants you to begin your journey at the exhibit case to the right of the center doors entering the Senate gallery. Miss Freedom will be waiting there with a number 5 (Hint: Location, Location, Location).

Since its founding, Georgia has had five capital cities. Miss Freedom wants you to learn the five capitals!

**List Georgia's five capitals in order! (Hint: S.A.L.M.A.)** \_\_\_\_\_

**What year did Atlanta become Georgia's capital city?** \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom wants your group to decide on Georgia's sixth capital. Discuss which city would be a great capital for Georgia.

**Which city in Georgia did your group decide on?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Miss Freedom's next stop: Walk around the corner to the right and look for a very large Miss Freedom!**

Miss Freedom was placed on the Capitol dome in 1888 one year before the building was finished.

**What does Miss Freedom have in her right hand?** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **What does she have in her left hand?** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Miss Freedom looks very similar to another famous statue. **What is the name of this statue?** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **How are Miss Freedom and the other statue different?** \_\_\_\_\_

**How are they similar?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Miss Freedom's next stop: Would you like to see Miss Freedom's torch up-close? Go to the case directly to the left, where you can find Miss Freedom marked with the number 6.**

Inside this case you will find two torches belonging to Miss Freedom. One of her torches is a little beat up!

**What happened to her torch?** \_\_\_\_\_

Remember when you decided on the sixth capital of Georgia. Pretend you are going to build a new capitol building in the sixth capital city. As the builders, your group decides to put a new statue on top of the new building.

**What would your statue look like?** \_\_\_\_\_

**What would the statue hold in its hands?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Miss Freedom's next stop: Follow Miss Freedom to learn about the most famous part of the Georgia Capitol: the gold dome. Continue to the left and find Miss Freedom marked with a number 7.**

**Do you think the gold on top of our dome is real?** You're right, it is real! Can you find in this case an example of the gold leaf that is on our dome right now? The gold on the dome represents the first gold rush in the United States.

**What city in Georgia was the site of the first gold rush?** \_\_\_\_\_

**BONUS ACTIVITY:** Miss Freedom wants your group to be creative! **What would your group like to see on the dome instead of gold?** Think of something that represents Georgia (maybe one of the state symbols) that you would like to see on our dome.

Don't forget to be fun and creative! \_\_\_\_\_

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### III. The State of Georgia

Georgia is a very diverse state with different geographic regions and minerals found in its soil. Travel with Miss Freedom around the state as you explore Georgia's regions!

Miss Freedom wants you to begin your journey at the case with the bear. Find her image with a number 8 (Hint: Head north from the double elevators).

Welcome to the Mountain Region!

*What are the names of the three geological regions in the Georgia mountains?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What kinds of animals live in the Mountain region?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What is the name of Georgia's highest peak?* \_\_\_\_\_

*How many states can you see from this point?* \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom wants you to plan a trip to the Mountain Region. *What items would you need if you visited the Georgia Mountains?* \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom's next stop: Keep exploring all the different climate regions of Georgia in the four cases to the right. As you travel to each region notice the different animals and environments.

*What does the word 'Piedmont' mean?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What types of trees are typically found in this region?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What is the nickname given to the Coastal region?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What crops are grown in the Coastal region?* \_\_\_\_\_

*Does the Okefenokee Swamp have fresh water or salt water?* \_\_\_\_\_

*If you decided to travel to the swamp, what type of wildlife would you see?* \_\_\_\_\_

*How long is Georgia's coastline?* \_\_\_\_\_

Cumberland Island on Georgia's coast is very unique. *What makes this island special?* \_\_\_\_\_

*In what region is Atlanta located? What about your home town?* \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom would like to show you some of the minerals and rocks found right here in Georgia! Go to the right and look at the case across from the marble columns. Find Miss Freedom with a number 9.

*What are the three classes of rocks?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What classes of rock can you find here at the Capitol?* \_\_\_\_\_

*What minerals were important to Georgia's economy in the 1800s?* \_\_\_\_\_

**BONUS ACTIVITY!** Decide which mineral and/or gem is your favorite. Talk quietly with your group as you explain why it is your favorite. \_\_\_\_\_

Our last stop will be the case to the right of the Mississippian Indian Chief. Find Miss Freedom with a number 10.

*How long have American Indians lived in Georgia? What are the four periods described in the case?* \_\_\_\_\_

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### IV. The Georgia Capitol Museum's Fun and Unusual Artifacts

Miss Freedom wants to show you the fun and unusual artifacts in the Georgia Capitol. All of the items tell interesting stories about the state of Georgia. Follow Miss Freedom and discover the weird, wacky, and way out there of Georgia!

**From the elevators, go straight, to the right of the railings overlooking the North Wing. Continue to the last case on the left, next to the Senate gallery exit doors. Find Miss Freedom with the number 11.**

In this case you will find several weird and wacky items! Look at the top left corner of the case. ***What are the two artifacts with two heads?*** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ***What does the saying "two-faced" mean?*** \_\_\_\_\_

At the bottom of the case you will find something way out there! In fact, this object came from outer space!

***What is it?*** \_\_\_\_\_ ***Where in Georgia was it found?*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Can you find anything else in this case that has been in outer space?*** \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom has a few more things to show you on her Weird and Wacky tour. Walk back towards the elevators and take a right. Find the two "dioramas" to the right of the elevators.

These two artifacts are from the 1939 World's Fair. ***In what city did the 1939 World's Fair take place?*** \_\_\_\_\_

In these two dioramas both the peach packing and turpentine industry are illustrated. ***Why are these industries important to Georgia?*** \_\_\_\_\_

**BONUS ACTIVITY!** ***If you had to design and build a diorama about your hometown what would it look like? Why?*** \_\_\_\_\_

**Turn around and walk past the House Gallery. Take a left at the end of the hall and walk past the model of the Capitol Dome and Miss Freedom. Find the case with Miss Freedom and the number 12.**

This case describes the cornerstone ceremony that was held when the Georgia Capitol was built. ***Can you find the replica of the box that is supposed to be within the Capitol's cornerstone? What does it look like?*** \_\_\_\_\_

***What is inside the box?*** \_\_\_\_\_

***If you had to put together a time capsule what would you want to put in it?*** \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Freedom's last stop is back from where you just came. Walk past the model of Miss Freedom and take a left at the model of the Capitol dome? Find the case on your left with Miss Freedom and the number 13.

Look for the shiny, gold object in the case. ***What is it?*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Which governor received this gift and why?*** \_\_\_\_\_

**BONUS ACTIVITY!** ***What object in your house would you turn to gold and why?*** \_\_\_\_\_

Georgia governors have received many unique gifts over the years. In the next case over, you will find a baseball bat!

***Which governor received this bat?*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Which team did the baseball bat come from?*** \_\_\_\_\_

**BONUS ACTIVITY!** ***If you decided to create your own museum, what types of objects would you include and why?*** \_\_\_\_\_