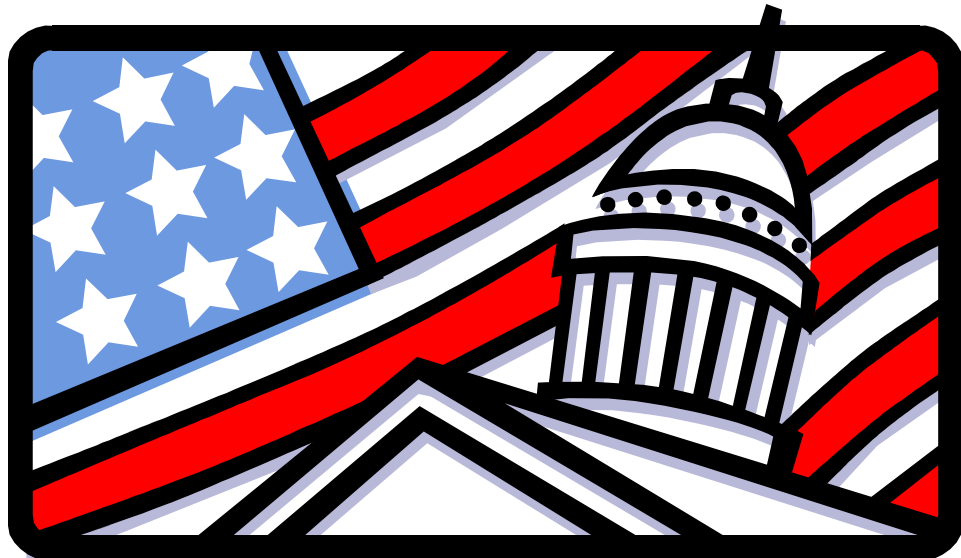


THE IMPORTANT BOOK
ABOUT
WASHINGTON, DC



BY THE STUDENTS OF 2-RO
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WE RESEARCHED IMPORTANT PLACES IN WASHINGTON, D.C.



Then we used our research to
create poems based on the book,
"The Important Book"
by Margaret Wise Brown

We hope you enjoy our work!

The important thing about the Jefferson Memorial is it honors Thomas Jefferson, our third president, and the main writer of the Declaration of Independence.

It has a bronze, 19 foot statue of Thomas Jefferson, which weighs five tons, and Jefferson has a copy of the Declaration of Independence in his left hand, and it was started in 1938 and it was finished in 1948.

And the outside is designed to look like his house, Monticello.

And it is made of white marble and it is near the Tidal Basin.

But the important thing about the Jefferson Memorial is that is it honors Thomas Jefferson, our third president, and the main writer of the Declaration of Independence.

By Brendan

The important thing about the Washington Monument is that it honors George Washington. He was known as the "Father of our Country," and he was the first president.

It is 555 ft. 5 inches tall, and it is in the shape of an obelisk, and it has a capstone on top.

And it is 2 different colors because the workers didn't have enough money to finish it the first time.

And it has an elevator to take you to the top and it takes 10 to 12 minutes to get to the top.

But the important thing about the Washington Monument is that it honors George Washington. He was known as the "Father of our Country," and he was the first president.

By Caroline

The important thing about the Pentagon is the Department of Defense works there to keep Americans safe and protect our freedom.

It is so big that five Capitol buildings can fit into it and it's three times the size of the Empire State Building.

And it is the biggest office building in the world. Also 26,000 people work there, both military and civilians, and the five walls that make up the Pentagon are each 921 feet long.

And it has a basement where lots of people come down to walk around, and there are a bunch of rooms like restaurants, banks, barbershops, and libraries.

But the important thing about the Pentagon is the Department of Defense works there to keep Americans safe and protect our freedom.

By Charlotte

The important thing about the White House is that the president, his family, and dog, live, and work there. It has 3 elevators, 35 bathrooms, 132 rooms and 412 doors. It also has lots of cool rooms and there is a room that people call the Lincoln bedroom and people say it's haunted. It has two sides a middle, a pointy top and is all white. It is on Pennsylvania Avenue.

And it is a place where the president and his wife have a lot of special dinners and parties and the president greets people there. Every year around Easter time children come for an Easter egg hunt and egg rolling game.

And it was planned by George Washington because he and his family needed a home but they never got to live there. Now it is where all presidents live. The White House is so protected it even has secret service agents.

But the important thing about the White House is that the president, his family, and dog, live and work there.

By Ella

The important thing about the U. S. Capitol is the Congress, made up of the House and Senate, work there to make laws for the country.

It is very BIG. It is about the size of four football fields and the sides are called wings.

And on one side is the Senate and the other is the House. The middle is called the Rotunda and the top is called the dome. The statue of Freedom is on top of the dome and inside the dome is wood.

And the Capitol Building has 850 doors and 540 rooms and there's an American flag. Underground you can go on a tram but it is only for the people that work there.

But the important thing about the U. S. Capitol is the Congress, made up of the House and Senate, work there to make laws for the country.

By Gavin

The important thing about the National Zoo
is that it teaches visitors about animals.

It has 2 parts, the zoo part, and the part where the scientists
study endangered animals.

And it has vets, scientists, zoo keepers, and they even have
their own police department.

And it has habitats like the Asia Trail. There are sloths, red
pandas, clouded leopards, and two giant pandas lent from China.
In Amazonia there are colored birds, piranhas, and poison frogs.

But the important thing about the National Zoo is that it
teaches visitors about animals.

By Grant

The important thing about the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial is that it honors F.D.R. who was our 32nd president. He led us through the Great Depression and World War Two.

It has room one, which is full of hope, and shows people cheering for F.D.R because they knew he would help them in the Great Depression.

And it has room two, which is not nice, and is about the Great Depression and shows people waiting for a piece of bread.

And it has room three, which is about war, and it has water falls and water crashes down on stones and they make sounds of war and it has a quote that says "I Hate War" and it has a statue of F.D.R and Fala.

And it has room four, which is quiet and is about F.D.R.'s funeral and it shows a carving of his funeral.

But the important thing about the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial

is that it honors F.D.R who was our 32nd president. He led us through the Great Depression and World War Two.

By Joey

The important thing about the Korean War Memorial is that it was built to honor the people who served our country in the Korean War.

It has nineteen 7'3" feet tall, steel statues. They are meant to look like they are walking in Korea.

And it has a pool that is called the Pool of Remembrance. It is not too deep and it is to honor the people who died or were missing.

And it has a black granite wall that has the reflection of the statues.

But the important thing about the Korean War Memorial is that it was built to honor the people who served our country in the Korean War.

By Jonathan

The important thing about Arlington National Cemetery is it's a burial place that honors more than 290,000 people who served our country and are buried there.

It has the Eternal Flame, it never goes out and was made to remember JFK who died in office and lots of people go and visit the Eternal Flame.

And it has the Tomb of the Unknowns and people also visit the Tomb of the Unknowns. There are soldiers marching up and down a path in front of the Tomb and the soldiers even march when it's raining.

And it has ceremonies for Memorial Day and Veterans Day each year and many people come to the ceremonies to honor the veterans who gave their lives in American wars.

But the important thing about Arlington National Cemetery is it's a burial place that honors more than 290,000 people who served our country and are buried there.

By Laila

The important thing about the International Spy Museum is it helps show how our country keeps us safe from enemies. It has exhibits you can go to see, like a room where you can have your voice recorded.

And you have to pretend you are a spy.

And it has a school for spy kids about all the spy gadgets other spies used.

But the important thing about the International Spy Museum is it helps show how our country keeps us safe from enemies.

By Luke

The important thing about the Washington Monument is it honors George Washington, our first president. He was a brave general in the Revolutionary War.

It has 50 flags; one for each state at the bottom.

And they stopped building the Washington Monument for 26 years and they went back to building it and it opened in 1888.

And it is 555 feet 5 inches tall and it is the shape of an obelisk.

But the important thing about the Washington Monument is it honors George Washington, our first president. He was a brave general in the Revolutionary War.

By Molly

The important thing about the White House
is the President and his family live there and he works there.
It has 35 bathrooms, 412 doors, 147 windows, 28 fireplaces, 8
staircases, and 3 elevators.

And it has a movie theater, a tennis court, a bowling alley, and a
swimming pool.

And it is where people from around the world come to see the
President.

But the important thing about the White House
is the President and his family live there and he works there.

By Pearson

The important thing about the Kennedy Center is it honors John F. Kennedy, our 35th president, because he loved the performing arts.

It has JFK's bust made of bronze that's 8 feet tall and weighs 3,000 pounds in the foyer.

And it has 7 theaters and over 2,000 performances a year!

And it is 630 feet long and you can fit the Washington Monument, sideways, inside and still have 75 feet left over!

But the important thing about the Kennedy Center is it honors John F. Kennedy, our 35th president, because he loved the performing arts.

By Rowan

The important thing about the Supreme Court is, if someone disagrees with a law they decide if it's fair or unfair. It is the highest court in the United States.

It has two huge bronze doors that weigh six and a half tons each, and are 17 feet tall, and $9\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide. It has 16 marble columns in front of the door.

And it has nine Justices, so there can't be a tie in voting, and they work in the Judicial Branch. They only decide on the laws that interfere with the Constitution.

And it has two marble statues. On the right, there's a man, Guardian of Authority of Law, on the left is the Contemplation of Justice.

But the important thing about the Supreme Court is, if someone disagrees with a law they decide if it's fair or unfair. It is the highest court in the United States.

By Sawyer

The important thing about the Lincoln Memorial is that it's to honor Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president, and he led us in the Civil War.

It has a white marble statue of Abraham Lincoln sitting in a chair.

And it has a special speech above the statue of Abraham Lincoln.

And it has one hand open on the statue, that means kindness.

And the statue has a fist that stands for strength.

But the important thing about the Lincoln Memorial is that it's to honor Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president, and he led us in the Civil War.

By Scarlett

The important thing about the World War II Memorial is it honors the people who died or served in the war.

It has two entrances that say Atlantic and Pacific which represent the two places we were fighting; Europe and Japan and inside both pavilions are bronze eagles.

And it has the Freedom Wall with 4,000 stars, each standing for 100 people who fought and died.

And there was a World War II Memorial before it, called the Iwo Jima memorial, but it only honored the Marines.

But the important thing about the World War II Memorial is it honors the people who died or served in the war.

By Stuart

The important thing about the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial is that it honors the 58,000 people who died or were missing in the war.

It opened on November 13, 1989. There was a contest to design the memorial and a 21 year old girl, named Maya Lin, won.

The wall is black granite and reflects like a mirror.

And if it has a cross next to the name, it means the soldier was killed. If it has a diamond, they are missing.

But the important thing about the Vietnam Veterans Memorial is that it honors the 58,000 people who died or were missing in the war.

By Tasia

The important thing about the Tomb of the Unknowns is it honors soldiers who died in WWI, WWII and the Korean War.

And guards called sentinels have a special uniform that takes six hours to put on.

And it has a ceremony called The Changing of the Guard. They walk 90 steps a minute.

And the tomb is a big block of white marble. On the tomb there are six wreaths standing for six wars.

But the important thing about the Tomb of the Unknowns is it honors soldiers who died in WWI, WWII and the Korean War.

By Tyler

THE END!

