

Pickens County Museum History Mystery Scavenger Hunt

Middle School Level



Use your skills of observation to find the answers to these questions. Each exhibit has a number in the bottom left corner to help you find your way.

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Good Luck!*

Lobby Photo: What is a monadnock? _____

List two examples found in South Carolina. 1. _____ 2. _____

Exhibit 1: Which do you think is the earliest artifact in the case? _____

Why do you say that? _____

Exhibit 2: Why is finding an arrowhead so exciting? _____

Exhibit 5: In 1716 how many deerskins would you need to trade for a pistol? _____

Exhibit 6: What eerie discovery was made at Fort Prince George? _____

Exhibit 7: In what war did Andrew Pickens fight? _____

Exhibit 8: Why was Reverend Lewis's cane metal tipped? _____

Exhibit 9: Which of the bottles is oldest? _____

When was it made? _____

Exhibit 10: If he had lived long enough would John C. Calhoun have fought for the Union or the Confederacy? _____

Why do you say that? _____

Exhibit 13: What illegal product was Upper Pickens County famous for producing? _____

Exhibit 14: What was Mike Polite arrested for? _____

Exhibit 15: Which side did the Cherokee take in the Civil War? _____

Exhibit 16: In what year was the second Pickens County Courthouse built? _____

Exhibit 17: The first train locomotive to travel on Pickens County soil did so in when? _____

Which radio station recorded the "Doodle" and when? _____

Exhibit 19: In 1928 how much lumber could the Appalachian Saw Mill cut in one day? _____

Exhibit 20: Women were not admitted into Clemson College until what year? _____

Exhibit 21: In the days of hand-picked cotton, just how much was one worker expected to pick in a day? _____

Exhibit 22: What is hanging at the top of the display? _____
What were they used for? _____

Exhibit 24: How many fish fossils are shown? _____

Exhibit 25: What animals are on display?
1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____

Exhibit Foyer of the new wing

Medal of Honor Case: In what war did each man serve?

Name _____ War _____ Date _____

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How many large gold squares are there on the foyer wall? (Caution, Trick Question!) _____

Exhibit 28: What common item was used to make the short dress? _____

Exhibit 29: What kind of power does the washing machine use? _____
What about the stove? _____

Exhibit 31: What was the name of the first African American School in Pickens County?

Exhibit 32: What is the date on the oldest car license tag? _____

Exhibit 33: Which of these “new technology” devices changed America the most? _____
Explain your choice. _____

Exhibit 34: How was rural mail delivered in the 1920’s? _____

Exhibit 35: What does “CCC” stand for? _____

Exhibit 35: Between _____ and _____, the CCC helped build what nearby state park?

Exhibit 35: Why was the CCC started by Franklin Delano Roosevelt in March of 1933?

Exhibit 36: Who was the well-known doctor in Pickens in the 1900's? _____

Exhibit 37: Who was the first Pickens County native to die in the Vietnam War? _____

Exhibit 40: Before recorded music, what type of music collections did people own? _____

Exhibit 41: What famous local author worked as a journalist throughout the 1960's, co-authored Keowee in 1995, and published a fictional book entitled Refuge in 2006?

Exhibit 42: Many famous racers began at Greenville-Pickens Speedway.
Which father-son team raced there?
(father) _____ (son) _____

Exhibit 43: Two famous games from the 1950's, still played today, require you to gather up objects.
What are these two games?
_____ and _____

Exhibit 44: Much of the Pickens economy is based on what industry? _____

Exhibit 45: In the 1954 famous court hearing entitled "Brown vs the Board of Education", what was determined to be against the law?

Exhibit 46: Two famous people visited Pickens County, one alive and one dead!

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Lobby Photo: What is a monadnock? A mountain that stands alone

List two examples found in South Carolina. 1. Glassy Mountain 2. Table Rock

Exhibit 1: Which do you think is the earliest artifact in the case? Answers may vary

Why do you say that? _____

Exhibit 2: Why is finding an arrowhead so exciting? Varied Answers, such as, Because when you pick in up you are the first person to hold it in hundreds or thousands of years

Exhibit 5: In 1716 how many deerskins would you need to trade for a pistol? 20

Exhibit 6: What eerie discovery was made at Fort Prince George? The skeleton

Exhibit 7: In what war did Andrew Pickens fight? Revolutionary

Exhibit 8: Why was Reverend Lewis's cane metal tipped? To help him walk on the unpaved roads

Exhibit 9: Which of the bottles is oldest? onion shaped

When was it made? 1770

Exhibit 10: If he had lived long enough would John C. Calhoun have fought for the Union or the Confederacy? The Confederacy

Why do you say that? His pre-war advocacy for state's rights

Exhibit 13: What illegal product was Upper Pickens County famous for producing? Moonshine

Exhibit 14: What was Mike Polite arrested for? running or transporting moonshine

Exhibit 15: Which side did the Cherokee take in the Civil War? The Confederacy

Exhibit 16: In what year was the second Pickens County Courthouse built? 1891

Exhibit 17: The first train locomotive to travel on Pickens County soil did so in when? April of 1873

Which radio station recorded the "Doodle" and when? WELP in May of 1963

Exhibit 19: In 1928 how much lumber could the Appalachian Saw Mill cut in one day? 110M'

Exhibit 20: Women were not admitted into Clemson College until what year? 1954

Exhibit 21: In the days of hand-picked cotton, just how much was one worker expected to pick in a day? 200 – 250 lbs.

Exhibit 22: What is hanging at the top of the display? Cross Cut Saw and/or Log Tongs

What were they used for? Cutting and/or moving timber (logs)

Exhibit 24: How many fish fossils are shown? Three (3)

Exhibit 25: What animals are on display?

1. Hawk 2. Duck

3. Bob Cat 4. Rabbit

Exhibit Foyer of the new wing

Medal of Honor Case: In what war did each man serve?

Name Furman L. Smith War WWII Date 01/17/1945

Name William A. McWhorter War WWII Date 09/1945

Name Charles H. Barker War Korea Date 10/27/1954

Name James D. Howe War Vietnam Date 09/09/1971



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Exhibit 28: What common item was used to make the short dress? Sugar Sack

Exhibit 29: What kind of power does the washing machine use? Hand Crank

What about the stove? Wood

Exhibit 31: What was the name of the first African American School in Pickens County?

Soapstone School

Exhibit 32: What is the date on the oldest car license tag? 1917

Exhibit 33: Which of these “new technology” devices changed America the most? Printing press, camera, radio, auto – open to interpretation

Explain your choice. Printing press, camera, radio, auto – open to interpretation

Exhibit 34: How was rural mail delivered in the 1920’s? Horse and buggy

Exhibit 35: What does “CCC” stand for? Civilian Conservation Corps

Exhibit 35: Between 1935 and 1941, the CCC helped build what nearby state park?

Table Rock State Park

- Exhibit 35:** Why was the CCC started by Franklin Delano Roosevelt in March of 1933?
The Great Depression had begun in 1929 and the economy was very bad. People needed jobs so FDR created the CCC to provide paying jobs to hundreds of men.
- Exhibit 36:** Who was the well-known doctor in Pickens in the 1900's? Dr. Valley, or other?
- Exhibit 37:** Who was the first Pickens County native to die in the Vietnam War? Charles Johnson, Jr.
- Exhibit 40:** Before recorded music, what type of music collections did people own? Sheet music
- Exhibit 41:** What famous local author worked as a journalist throughout the 1960's, co-authored Keowee in 1995, and published a fictional book entitled Refuge in 2006?
Dot Jackson (Dot Robertson)
- Exhibit 42:** Many famous racers began at Greenville-Pickens Speedway. Which father-son team raced there?
 (father) Lee Petty (son) Richard Petty
- Exhibit 43:** Two famous games from the 1950's, still played today, require you to gather up objects. What are these two games?
Pick-up-sticks and Jacks
- Exhibit 44:** Much of the Pickens economy is based on what industry? Textile or Cotton Mills
- Exhibit 45:** In the 1954 famous court hearing entitled "Brown vs the Board of Education", what was determined to be against the law?
Segregated Schools
- Exhibit 46:** Two famous people visited Pickens County, one alive and one dead!
The dead President was: Franklin Delano Roosevelt
The future Vice President was: Lyndon Baynes Johnson

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