MUSEUM ACTIVITY BOOK
Toddlers to Tweens
RESTON HISTORIC TRUST & MUSEUM
EXPLORE CREATE LEARN
Postcard

Draw your favorite thing in the museum or draw Lake Anne on this postcard to share your museum visit with family and friends!
Robert E. Simon Jr.

Paper doll

Photo by Ron Blunt
Build a Rainbow

Can you find all the colors of the rainbow on our exhibit panels? Which exhibit panel did you find each color?

Red -

Orange -

Yellow -

Green -

Blue -

Indigo -

Violet -

What shapes can you find in the museum? Draw them here.
Create your own Planned Community!

In 1961, Robert E. Simon Jr. brought together planners, architects, and builders to design Reston. They planned where to place roads, houses, shops, green space, and public art so everyone could easily “live, work, and play.”

Use this place to draw or write about your ideas for your own town! Or create your town using the puzzle and building blocks in the museum.
Reston Museum Scavenger Hunt

Answer all questions and receive a Reston sticker!

1. How many pictures of Reston’s Founder Robert E. Simon can you find in the museum?

2. How many Founding Principles did Reston have?
   (Hint: Look at the exhibit panel: The Big Idea)
   1  2  3  4  5  6  7

3. Find the cannonball thought to be from the Battle of Dranesville, 1861

4. Find the two objects related to Brown’s Chapel.
   (Hint: they are both brown objects!)

5. Can you find Lake Anne Plaza on the large wall Map of Reston map? (Hint: Look really high up!)
1. Reston was founded on 7 founding principles, what are they? 
(Hint: Write down the vertical words found on exhibit panel “The Big Ideas.”)

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
6.
7.

2. The first three letters of “RESton” are whose initials?

3. Mr. Simon looked at cities around the world for inspiration for Reston. Name at least one of the places he inspired by.

4. Before the 1960s, the area we call Reston had other names. Write down at least one of these names.

5. Reston was not racially segregated, unlike the majority of Virginia in the 1960s. What word was used to describe this aspect of Reston’s community?
6. What three major departures from previous city planning did the Reston Master Plan make? *Hint: View the red words on the exhibit panel “The Plan.”*
   1. 
   2. 
   3. 

7. Reston prioritized open space and today Reston has over 55 miles of trails through wooded and natural surroundings. What fraction of the land was set aside for nature?

8. Reston Town Center was a part of the 1962 Reston Master Plan. However, it was not built right away. What year did Reston Town Center open?

9. Look at the 3d aerial map on the wall. What year was it made? 
   *Bonus: Can you find Lake Anne Plaza, The Reston Regional Library, your school or house?*

**Outside Museum at Lake Anne Plaza**

10. Who is represented in the sculpture sitting on the bench greeting everyone to Lake Anne Plaza?
Reston Word Search

People, places, and things in Reston
*Can be horizontal, backwards, diagonal, and vertical*

Lake Anne
Thoreau
Audubon
Aldrin
Dogwood
Simon
Nature
Newport
Hunters Woods
Wiehle
North Point
South Lakes
Live Work Play
Dulles
Bowman
Museum
Tall Oaks
Town Center
Survey
(Leave with Front Desk)

What did you learn about Reston today?

1._________________________________________________________
2._________________________________________________________
3._________________________________________________________
4._________________________________________________________
5._________________________________________________________

What would you like to learn about Reston?

1._________________________________________________________
2._________________________________________________________
3._________________________________________________________
4._________________________________________________________
5._________________________________________________________

Thank you for visiting!
Come back soon!
### Question & Answer Answers

1. Founding Principles:
   1. Leisure Time
   2. Housing for All
   3. Diversity
   4. Live & Work
   5. Amenities
   6. Beauty
   7. Financial Success

2. Robert Edward Simon

3. Portofino, Italy; Tapiola Finland; Lake Geneva, Switzerland; Radburn New Jersey; Philadelphia Pennsylvania, Boston Massachusetts; New York.

4. Wiehle, Sunset Hills

5. Open Community

6. Departures:
   1. Cluster Density
   2. Mixed – Use
   3. Dedicated Open space

7. 1/7

8. 1990

9. 1988

10. Robert E. Simon

### Word Search Answers

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A O F Y D C E T I D E H D S L
L D B L C I A Z M E U O O E A
D N O R T L J H C N O B J K K
R O W G L N V H T W N K T A E
I C M O K N I E G N I O E L A
N Y A L P K R O W E V I L H N
B K N L T S D U P H M S H T N
S B S Q W O N F A H Q Z E U E
L Y L O R B W B I E T P I O N
X T O W N C E N T E R R W S O
X D E R U T A N H N W O O F B
S L A V I T S E F O O R H N U
N E W P O R T G C R U M S T D
U S L A D U L L E S M S I J U
M U E S U M Q D H P C Q E S A
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### Scavenger Hunt Answers

1. 2
2. 7
3. Underneath exhibit panel *The Land*
4. Wooden chair and wooden shingle near back office
5. Under the “You are Here” Yellow Triangle
6. Bronze sculpture sitting on a bench near Lake Anne