

ESCAPE TODAY AND
DISCOVER A NEW HISTORY EVERYDAY



SCAVENGER HUNT



GRADES 6+

This self guided scavenger hunt has been divided into themes. The sites are scattered throughout the Park. Feel free to pick and choose from the sites and questions provided to customize the day's activities. A Park map can be found on our website <https://www.heritagepark.ca/plan-your-visit.html>.

The map numbers for each location can be found beside the site name on the scavenger hunt.

We hope you enjoy exploring the Park and learning about the exciting
and interesting history of Western Canada.



AGRICULTURE & RANCHING

RANCH YARD - #50

- What kind of farm is this and why would early pioneers have had this type of farm operation?

 - What animals do you see? _____
Why would these animals have been raised?

 - What pumping mechanism can you see?

- What was it used for and why was it important?

COPITHORNE BARN

- How is the barn constructed?

- How is it different from the Red Barn?

WINTER WHEAT FIELD

- Look for the big field near the Ranch house.
Guess the size of the field in acres.
Now imagine clearing and cultivating a
quarter section which is 160 acres.

FARM IMPLEMENT SHED

- Homesteads required a number of different types of machinery to cultivate the soil, seed their crops, plant their gardens, harvest their crops and ready their grains and produce for market. See if you can identify what each piece of machinery did.
- Some machinery was too expensive for each farmer to own. There is a machine in the shed that used to travel to each farm with a crew. Can you guess which machine it was and what did it do? _____
- Pioneers planted large gardens. Which piece of machinery do you think was used in a garden?

- Considering that pioneers had to be self sufficient, what did they have to take into consideration when they determined how much produce they were going to plant?

ENTERTAINING AND SOCIALIZING

BANFF CURLING CLUBHOUSE – BEHIND GLEICHEN SCHOOL HOUSE, #58

See if you can find this often missed clubhouse in the Settlement.

- Imagine yourself standing with your teammates on one of the two sheets of ice during an exciting game of curling. Prairie winters were long and hard and winter sports were popular. What were some of the sports enjoyed by early settlers?

- Which settlers brought curling with them when they immigrated to Canada?

- Why do you think the curling club was built close to the river?

EUGENE COSTE PARK - #21

- Urban Parks at the turn of the Century had many of the same uses parks have in Calgary today. What are some of those uses?

- Why were parks thought to be important?

- This park is modeled after a formal garden design by which Canadian company?

- Who is Eugene Coste?

MILLARVILLE RANCHER'S HALL - #62

- Why did neighbours work together to build this community hall?

- What were some of the uses for the hall?

- When was the Millarville Hall constructed?

- What is homemade entertainment?

TRANSPORTATION

As you travel through the Park today, list all the different types of transportation you see or use.

BUSINESS, MERCHANDISING, AND TRADES

NANTON LIVERY BARN – BESIDE THE BLACKSMITH SHOP, #35

- When you came into town from your farm you needed to find someplace to take your team of horses. Besides stabling and feeding your horses, what other business might you transact with the Livery man?

- If you didn't have horses, what business could you do at the Livery Barn?

- If you could not afford to rent a room at the Hotel, the Livery Barn would often allow people to sleep in the hay loft. What would be the payment for these humble accommodations?

FLETT'S BLACKSMITH SHOP - #35

- Blacksmith's are best known for making horse-shoes. However, they were skilled at many aspects of iron work. List some of those skills here.

- Women were also Blacksmiths. Do you know what type of work they generally did?

- How much did it cost to buy four horseshoes?

- There was an additional cost to have the shoes set. Do you know what it means to set horse-shoes? How much did it cost?

SHONTS GRAIN ELEVATOR - #33

- Towering above the prairie, the grain elevator could be seen for miles. How many elevators were in Western Canada by 1900?

- What was the capacity of a standard elevator?

- Farmers would drive their wagons into the elevator where the agent would evaluate the grain. What three things would the agent determine before he would dump the grain into the pit? _____
Take some time to watch how the grain was elevated to a hopper.

WING CHONG LAUNDRY - #31

- What events brought Chinese immigrants to Western Canada?

- Lacking the fare to return home, many Chinese immigrants stayed and opened small businesses. What were some of the businesses opened in addition to the laundry?

- Who were the major customers of the laundry?

BUSINESS, MERCHANDISING, AND TRADES

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY FORT - #56

- Many First Nations' tribes came to the trading forts to exchange furs for a variety of European manufactured goods.
What was the standard of trade?

- Go to the trading post. List three items you may want to trade for.
Why did you make the choices you did?

- There is a large wooden structure near the fur storage building. Can you guess what it is and why it would have been used?

- Go inside the Long House. Who was the person who had their own quarters? What skill did they have that allowed them to do that job?

I.G. BAKER & COMPANY - #61

- The Hudson's Bay Company did have competition. The I.G. Baker & Company expanded into Western Canada from what country?

- These stores were well stocked.
Trace the route travelled by these goods.
- The bull trains travelled a route called the Trail to Fort MacLeod. You have likely travelled a portion of this same road.
Do you know what that road is now called?

TWO-STORY OUTHOUSE – BEHIND THE WAINWRIGHT HOTEL, #26

- Often missed, see if you can find the town's two-story Outhouse. Where did it originate and when was it built?

- Why would such an outhouse be built?

- What invention made the outhouse obsolete?

GOVERNMENT, PROFESSIONAL, AND RELIGIOUS

BERRY CREEK N.W.M.P. POST - #59

- Who established the North West Mounted Police?

- What year was the NWMP established?

- Why was the force established?

- What were some of the tasks carried out from small posts like Berry Creek?

COTTAGE HOSPITAL - #47

- Which two Calgary hospitals started out as Cottage Hospitals?

- Who worked in the cottage hospital to look after the sick and injured?

- Where were surgeries performed?

- If you were a volunteer at the hospital, one of your tasks would be to wash an item that would be reused. What would you be washing?

DENTIST'S OFFICE – BESIDE WING CHONG LAUNDRY, #31

- When did dentists begin to arrive on the prairies?

- What did the settlers do about tooth aches before dentists arrived?

- Before there were enough settlers to support a dental office, what did the dentists do to service their patients? _____
- Do you recognize any of the equipment in this dental office? _____

OUR LADY OF PEACE CATHOLIC MISSION - #54

- Which Blackfoot chief appealed to Bishop Grandin to establish a mission to help the Blackfoot people?

- Where was the first mission established?

- Name three missionaries that served this mission.

- Roman Catholic missionaries were intertwined with significant historical events in Western Canada. Name these events.

- In addition to their religious duties, missionaries were busy with the rigours of frontier life and pressing secular matters. Name four ways that their ministries extended into public service.

MONTEFIORE INSTITUTE SYNAGOGUE - #17

- When was this synagogue built and who was it named after? _____
- How many Jewish farm colonies were established across the prairies between 1887 and 1914?

- The Montefiore Institute served many purposes for the Jewish homesteaders. Name these purposes.

- What symbol can be seen on the outside of the building indicating that it is a Jewish synagogue?

LIFESTYLES

BACHELOR'S TENT CABIN – IN BETWEEN GLEICHEN SCHOOL HOUSE AND BERRY CREEK NWMP POST, # 58 & #59

- How much did a tent cabin cost? _____
- Who generally lived in tent cabins and why?

- What were two of the advantages to owning a tent cabin? _____
- What current Calgary business began in a tent cabin? _____

AIRDRIE HOUSE – BESIDE THE RECTORY, #44

- These modest two story houses replaced what type of housing for successful settlers? _____
- Which room was reserved for special occasions?

- What year was the Airdrie House built? _____
- Which business in Heritage Park was owned by one of the inhabitants of this house? _____

BUFFALO RUBBING ROCK – BESIDE THE HUDSON'S BAY FORT, #56

- This granite boulder was deposited near Strathmore about 12,000 years ago. What geological event occurred resulting in the deposit of this and other granite boulders? _____
- What did the bison use the boulder for?

- What did the bison provide for the First Nations people? _____
- The North American Bison was nearly extinct by what time? _____

FIRST NATIONS ENCAMPMENT – #55

- What were tipis originally made from? _____
- What events lead to the use of canvas for tipis?

- Why does the door to the tipi always face east?

- How does the smoke from the fire escape?

- First Nations people moved camp in a seasonal round in response to what? _____

HULL CARRIAGE HOUSE – NORTH OF FAMOUS FIVE HOUSE, #15

- Who would have owned a carriage house?

- What was housed in a carriage house? _____
- When was this carriage house built? _____
- Name the types of horse drawn vehicles parked in the carriage house. _____

FINNISH SAUNA – BEHIND NIGHTINGALE COLONY HOUSE, #52

- Settlers brought their traditions with them and established them in their new communities. What did the Finnish people bring with them?

- Why did they think saunas were vital to good health? _____
- What social aspect was a benefit of saunas?

- What created the steam? _____
- When was this sauna built? _____