

Mercer Museum Mysteries

Welcome to the Mercer Museum! You will begin the scavenger hunt in the Pavilion area on the First Level. Please assist Rollo, Mercer Museum's resident detective, in finding the clues to help solve the Mercer Museum Mysteries Scavenger Hunt.



Answer Key:

Begin in Central Court on the Second Floor.

1. Find the large brocade tiles. These tiles were originally installed in a high school in Missouri. What was Henry Mercer's educational purpose for creating this museum?

For visitors to be reminded of changes that have occurred in history

2. Find the printing press. The printing press could be used to print newspapers and broadsides. What were broadsides used for?

Public notices and advertisements

Go to the Third Level of the Museum.

3. Find the Shoe Making exhibit. What is the name of the tool the shoemaker used to determine the size of the customer's feet?

Size stick

4. There is a room on the Third Level that tells us about a trade that helped craft barrels and buckets. What was the name of this type of craftsman?

Cooper

5. Visit the Tinsmith exhibit. What were merchants called that traveled throughout the country selling tinware or tin products?

Peddlers

Travel up to the Fourth Level.

6. What objects were mounted on the tops of buildings to show the wind's direction?

Weathervanes

7. Walk around to the whaleboat. How many men did the whaleboat carry?

Six

8. Find the Healing Arts exhibit. What tool was used for grinding medicines?

Mortar and pestle

Head to the Fifth Level.

9. Find the area designated for clock making. What was the name of the man who opened the 1st American Clock Factory?

Eli Terry in Plymouth, Connecticut

10. Look for the musical instruments. Which of the instruments displayed were inspired by the Pennsylvania Germans?

Zither

11. Between 1830 and 1850 what company located in Concord, Massachusetts was America's leading manufacturer of the stagecoach?

Abbott and Downing Co.

Move on to the Sixth Level to the Columbus Gallery.

12. Who was Tamanend? Find his grave marker. Who made this grave marker?

A Lenape band chief

Henry Mercer

Over, please

From the Columbus Gallery, go up to the Roof Galleries.

12. Find the area that contains the Gallows. Can you find the shackle chain that was used to confine prisoner Lino de Mina? Who was he convicted of murdering?

Dr. William Chapman, of Andalusia, Bucks County

Remember to look for Rollo's paw prints on the stairs that lead from the Roof Gallery down to the "Early Encounters" exhibit— near Solar Salt Making!