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One way to get the most out of life is to look upon it as an adventure.

– William Feather

SCAVENGER ADVENTURE PLEDGE

I pledge to discover the natural, historical, and cultural beauty of the places I visit, to preserve them by respecting all local rules and customs, and to share my knowledge and experiences with others.

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A NOTE TO PARENTS

Many parents have reservations about traveling with children, but travel doesn't have to end when you start a family. Travel is a wonderful time for children to learn and grow - no matter their age. It is also a wonderful time to grow as a family.

Traveling as a family is an incredible experience! Your child will grow in their knowledge and understanding of the world in which they live, and you'll see the world in a whole new way - through the uninhibited eyes of your child. Embrace traveling with your children, and you may find that your kids are capable of much more than you imagined!

This travel guide is for children visiting Chicago and their parents. It is designed to engage your child in their travels and enhance their observational skills. Presented as a scavenger hunt, this interactive travel challenge will also help parents capture those teachable moments while traveling. This guide contains many interesting facts and useful pieces of information to help your child learn about Chicago, but its most important role is as a tool to jump-start dialogue between you and your child.

This book is not a comprehensive travel guide to Chicago. Most children would rather experience the sights and sounds of a region first-hand than read about them in the pages of a travel book. There are numerous guides available on how to get to Chicago, where to stay, where to eat, and what to see and do, but they are written for adults. Use those guides to plan your trip. Cross-reference the places you plan to visit with the locations presented in this Scavenger Guide, and you will be well-prepared for a more in-depth

travel experience with your child.

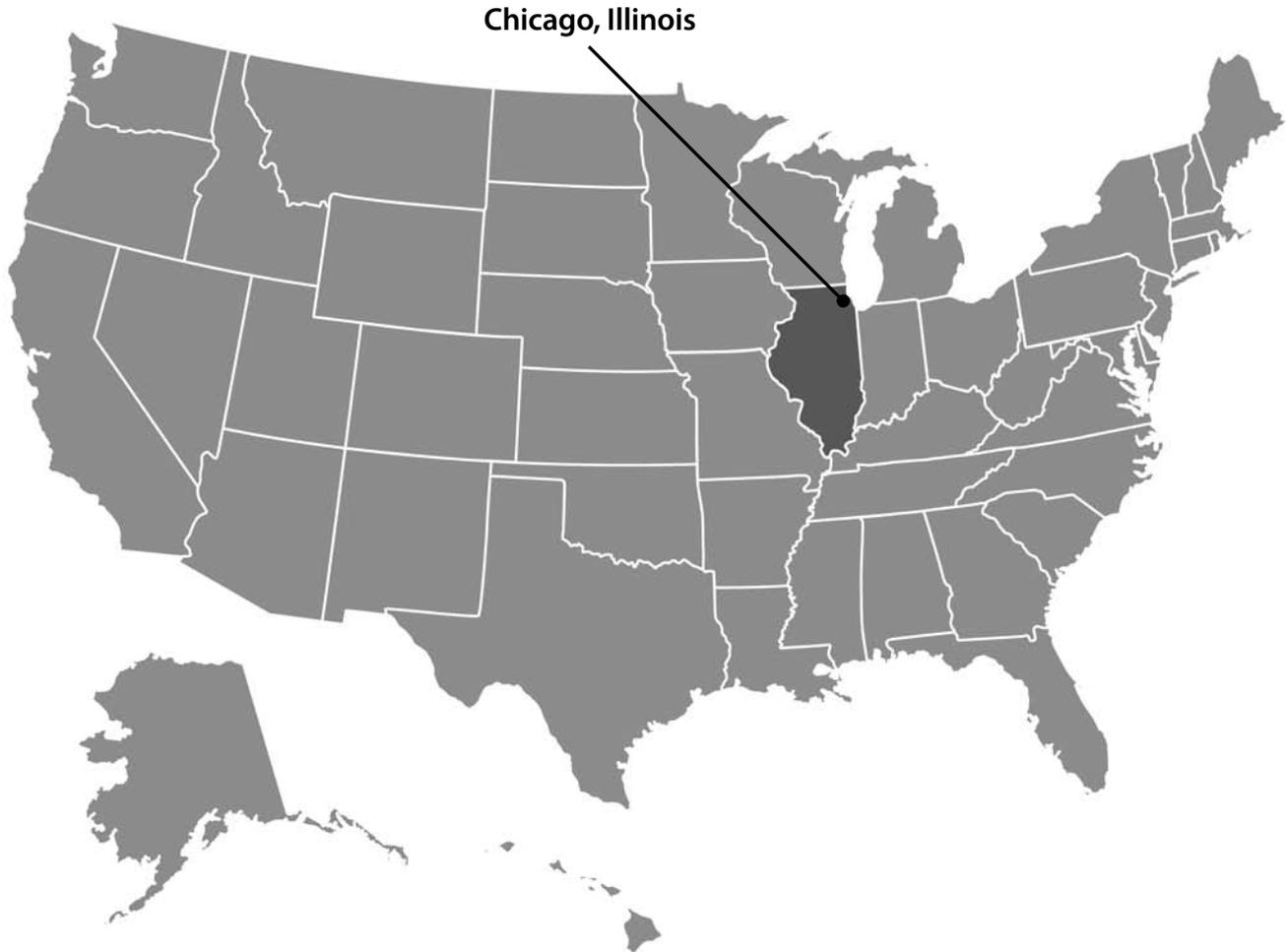
Each section of this guide presents several “clues” that challenge your child to find certain locations, identify items, or complete experiences throughout Chicago. Each completed item earns 10 points. At the end of their travels, children add up their points and collect their award certificate. For some children, the challenge of the hunt is motivation enough. As a parent, you may wish to attach an additional reward, such as money for a souvenir or the opportunity for the child to choose where the family dines their last night of vacation. You know your child best. Be creative. Above all, have fun and enjoy this truly unique travel experience with your child!

Family travel can be both fun and informative.

Have a wonderful trip!

WHERE IS CHICAGO?

Chicago is located on the southwestern shores of Lake Michigan in the state of Illinois. It is the third largest city in the United States and the largest city in the Midwestern U.S.



A SCAVENGER ADVENTURE

Are you ready for an adventure? Chicago is an amazing place! There is so much to see and do in the city. This scavenger hunt will help you get the most out of your experience. Can you complete each item and become a Scavenger Guides World Explorer?

Welcome to your Scavenger Hunt Adventure around Chicago! You'll need to use your eyes and your brain to solve these challenges. Your scavenger hunt will take you to many of the most popular and famous museums, landmarks, and other places of interest that make Chicago such an exciting place to visit. Whether you like sports, art, history, great food, or just experiencing new places, you'll find plenty to do in Chicago.

Have fun on your hunt and good luck. You will have an absolutely wonderful time exploring this great city!

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HOW IT WORKS

Your Scavenger Hunt Adventure has many challenges for you to complete during your visit to Chicago. You do not have to answer the challenges in order. Feel free to skip around as you visit various locations around the city. Also, don't feel you need to complete all the challenges in one day! Chicago is a big city, and it will take a lot of time and effort to complete your Scavenger Hunt Adventure. Correctly complete as many of the challenges on your scavenger hunt as you can. Keep track of each task you complete, then

There are many ways to get around Chicago - by foot, bicycle, subway, taxi, bus, and even horse-drawn carriage!

add up your points to win!

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Read all the questions in your Scavenger Hunt Adventure before you start. This will help you get familiar with all the different challenges you will be asked to complete at a specific location. This will help you use your time more efficiently and minimize repeated visits to the same site.

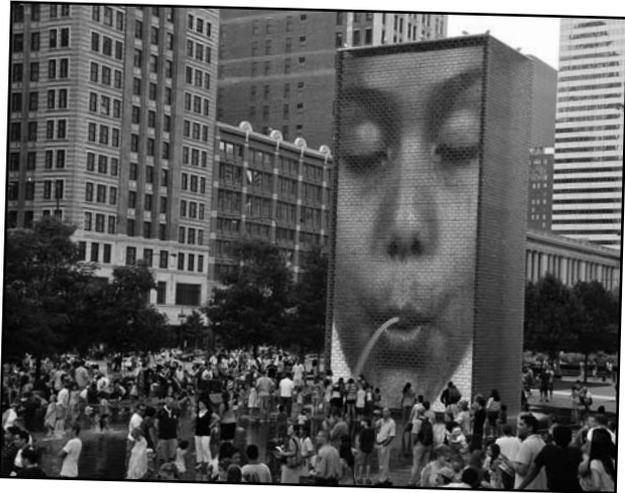


▲ Horse-drawn carriages in downtown Chicago.

HELPFUL HINTS

Here are some suggestions to help you in your search:

- ✓ Read each scavenger hunt question carefully before you begin.
- ✓ Questions have been grouped by topic. Mark the questions that go with the areas you plan to visit each day. Do this each morning as you plan your day.
- ✓ Look carefully all around you before you record your answers. Sometimes a second search will reveal things missed at first glance.
- ✓ Ask the staff at a museum or site's information desk. They can often point you in the right direction.
- ✓ Check out a site's map for clues.
- ✓ Question a guard or police officer.
- ✓ Read signs and plaques carefully. They often reveal clues that will lead you to



▲ Cooling off in Crown Fountain.



Chicago has over 550 parks, including 33 sand beaches and 10 bird and wildlife gardens.

the answer.

- ✓ Check to see if the site has a computer information system for visitors to use.
- ✓ Look in gift shops. The postcards and books there often cover the site's main points of interest.
- ✓ Don't be afraid to ask your parents and siblings for help! They might see something you have missed.

WHEN YOU FINISH

After you have completed as many challenges as you can, add up all the points from the challenges you solved. There is a handy worksheet at the end of the scavenger hunt to help you with this task. Compare your total score with the award chart at the bottom of the worksheet and collect your Scavenger Hunt Certificate. Can you reach the level of World Explorer? Have fun on your adventure!

WHAT'S NEXT?

Congratulations on completing your scavenger hunt around Chicago! You have uncovered clues, gathered points along the journey, and collected a well-deserved award. You have also kept a daily journal to record your travel memories and taken photos to document your adventure. Above all, you had a great time visiting Chicago!

When you return home, be sure to check out the free digital story tutorials on the Scavenger Guides website. These tutorials will teach you how to record your daily journal writings and combine them with digital pictures from your trip to create a multimedia travel video. This video is sure to become a treasured remembrance of your vacation for the entire family!

If you enjoyed this scavenger hunt around Chicago, check out our guides to other destinations. Visit <http://www.scavengerguides.com> to learn more.

Happy traveling!



▲ Gap of Dunloe, County Kerry, Ireland.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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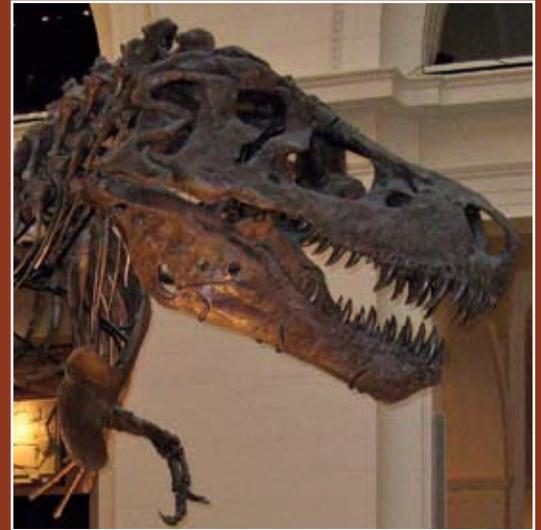
Follow The Clues To Discover Historical And Cultural Sites Around The City

Take a ride on the fastest elevators in North America. Find a plaque on a bridge honoring the first white men to pass through the Chicago River. Stand in a glass box at the top of Willis Tower and look through the floor to the street 1,353 feet below. These are only a few of the many challenges awaiting you on your scavenger hunt around Chicago!

Your Interactive Travel Adventure includes:

- ▶ Over 90 clues to locations, items, and experiences around Chicago.
- ▶ Interesting facts about famous Chicago locations and landmarks.
- ▶ Award certificates for completing the adventure.
- ▶ A daily travel journal for recording your thoughts and observations.
- ▶ Tips for taking great vacation photos.

Collect points as you follow the clues and complete tasks scattered across the city. Can you become a Scavenger Guides World Explorer?



At Scavenger Guides we have one goal – to instill the love of discovery and learning in your child through travel. Our guides make travel an adventure! Presented as a scavenger hunt, these interactive challenges engage your child and enhance their observational skills, helping them get the most out of their travel experiences.

See the world in a whole new way - with Scavenger Guides!



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