WASHINGTON
SECRETARY OF STATE
ACTIVITY BOOK
Dear parents, teachers, etc.

It is my pleasure to present you with this fun and educational Activity Book for children. Through word games, puzzles and other activities, your child will have an exciting opportunity to learn about the great state of Washington and the duties of the Secretary of State.

When you finish the book, be sure to go online where the Office of the Secretary of State’s comprehensive website, www.secstate.wa.gov, offers more information about the divisions and programs within the agency, including interesting information about Washington State history, genealogy, civic education, the corporations and charities operating in our state, and much, much more. I also encourage you to visit the elections website, www.vote.wa.gov, to learn more about voting and elections. Click on “Vote for Kids!” to get grade-specific civics curricula for teachers and fun and educational games for students.

If you can, visit your Washington State Capitol Building! In my opinion, Washington boasts the most beautiful state capitol in the nation. You can arrange a tour for your family, your class, or a group of friends by contacting the Capitol Building Tour Office at (360) 902-8885. Seeing the Capitol and learning about our state’s history is time well spent.

It is an honor to serve as your Secretary of State and an even greater privilege to contribute to the education of children throughout our state. I hope you and your children enjoy this book as much as my staff and I enjoyed preparing it for you!

Sincerely,

SAM REED
Secretary of State

Thank you Red Robin!
Please join the Office of the Secretary of State in thanking Red Robin for its generous donation of 40,000 boxes of crayons. Thanks to Red Robin, a box of crayons will accompany each copy of the Activity Book.
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I am George Washington, the first President of the United States and the namesake of the great state of Washington. It is my pleasure to be your tour guide for this fun and educational Activity Book brought to you by your Secretary of State.

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The Office of the Secretary of State was established by the Washington State Constitution in 1889. The Secretary of State is elected every four years and is second in line of succession to the Governor. Thirteen men and one woman have served as Secretary of State since Washington became the 42nd state in the Union, known as the United States.

The Secretary of State is Washington’s Chief Elections Officer, Chief Corporations Officer and supervisor of the State Archives and the State Library. The Secretary of State also manages many special programs, including providing information to help donors make informed choices about the charities they give money to.
**Dome Dot-to-Dot**

Follow the numbers and connect the dots to reveal the finest building in Washington State. Start with the dot numbered 1, and end on the dot numbered 99.

Did you know that the Washington State Capitol building took six years to build, weighs 149 million pounds and stands 287 feet tall?
WASHINGTON WORDLE
Sound out the pictures below to name some Washington landmarks.

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Did you know that the highest point in Washington is Mount Rainier at 14,410 feet?
**SECRETARY OF STATE CROSSWORD**

Use the numbered clues to fill in the puzzle.

**ACROSS**

1. A picture used to represent something else.
2. A form on which a voter makes his or her choice for candidates or measures.
3. A place where books and other reading materials are kept and borrowed.
4. To investigate or search for.
5. To sign up for.
6. A choice marked on a ballot by a voter.
7. Voters _____ politicians to serve in public office.
8. A cause that helps the needy.
9. Found in number (3) down.
10. To make money with an investment.
11. To keep historical records of public documents.
12. To look at and understand words written or printed on a page.
13. A record of past events.
15. A family’s unique history and ancestry.

**DOWN**

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7. Voters _____ politicians to serve in public office.
8. A cause that helps the needy.
10. To give generously to a fund or cause.

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**Did you know that Washington is the only U.S. state named after a former President?**
The Washington State Archives collects and preserves the legal and historical records of the state of Washington. Each month the State Archives receives an average of 1,200 research requests for information from the books, photographs, paper and microfilm created by government agencies throughout the state.

Did you know the state Constitution is housed in a vault at the State Archives in Olympia?
Did you know that Washington is the first state in the country to have a digital archives dedicated to electronic legal and historical records — the Washington State Digital Archives in Cheney?
COUNTY CONNECTION

Put the number of the county name into its location on the map.
Black dots on the map show the location of the state’s regional archives buildings.

(1) ADAMS (5) CLALLAM (9) DOUGLAS (13) GRANT (17) KING
(2) ASOTIN (6) CLARK (10) FERRY (14) GRAYS HARBOR (18) KITSAP
(3) BENTON (7) COLUMBIA (11) FRANKLIN (15) ISLAND (19) KITITITAS
(4) CHELAN (8) COWLITZ (12) GARFIELD (16) JEFFERSON (20) KLICKITAT

Did you know that people who work in local government offices such as counties, cities, schools and ports also create records? Five regional archives collect and preserve these local government records.
WASHINGTON YEAR SUDOKU

Solve this Sudoku puzzle beginning with prominent years in Washington’s history.

Fill the empty boxes with a number. Every row of nine numbers must include all digits, one through nine in any order. Every column of nine numbers must include all digits, one through nine in any order. Every three by three subsection of the nine by nine square must include all digits, one through nine.

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1792 – American Robert Gray sailed into what we now know as Grays Harbor. A few days later he laid American claims to the Northwest after sailing into the river he named after his ship, “Columbia.”

1845 – The Oregon Provisional Government created the first two counties north of the Columbia River: Vancouver (now Clark) and Lewis.

1846 – The Oregon Treaty of 1846 completed the boundary line between the United States and Canada.

1853 – On March 2, President Millard Fillmore signed the bill which created the Washington Territory.

1889 – On November 11, Washington officially became the 42nd state in the Union.

1928 – Construction of the Washington State Capitol was completed.

1937 – President Franklin Delano Roosevelt gave a speech at the construction site of the Grand Coulee Dam.


Did you know the State Archives was built in 1963 as a nuclear bomb shelter?
Lady Washington Color By Number

Add some color to Washington’s most famous lady.

1. Off-White
2. Black
3. Brown
4. Red
5. Blue
6. Yellow
7. Light Blue
8. White

Lady Washington in the Movies

In which of the following movies has the Lady Washington appeared?

A. Pirates of the Caribbean: Curse of the Black Pearl
B. Star Trek Generations
C. Blackbeard
D. All of the above

Did you know that the Lady Washington is a replica of the original ship that sailed during the late 18th Century? It is based in Aberdeen and is operated by the Grays Harbor Historical Seaport Authority.
Did you know Washington State’s first elected Governor was Elisha Peyre Ferry, who served from 1889 to 1897? Before statehood, Washington had 18 territorial Governors. Isaac Ingalls Stevens, who served from 1853 to 1857, was the first to govern the territory.

WASHINGTON STATE ELECTIONS

In our country, citizens choose the people who run their government by voting. In Washington, the Secretary of State oversees elections and the counties conduct the elections. Once you are registered and after your 18th birthday, you can vote for your choice of President, Governor, Senator, Secretary of State and other federal, state and local candidates and measures.
### Democracy Word Search

Find the eight election-related words in the chart below.

1. BALLOT
2. PRECINCT
3. COUNTY
4. REGISTER
5. ELECTIONS
6. VOTE
7. POLLING
8. WASHINGTON

Did you know that Washington State gave women the right to vote in 1910, 10 years before the federal government approved it nationwide? In 1990, Washington State had more women elected to its Legislature than any other state in the country.
Symbol Sort
Connect each official state symbol to its name and color the drawings.

Apple
American Goldfinch
Orca Whale
Western Hemlock
Steelhead Trout

Did you know your elected state legislators approve the designation of official state symbols by passing a bill, the same way other laws are made? On several occasions, schoolchildren your age have asked the Legislature to approve such symbols, like the Green Darner Dragonfly.
Did you know that the most ballots ever cast in a Washington State General Election was more than 3 million in 2008?
### Elected Official Duties

Match each elected official with the responsibilities of that office.

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<th>Elected Official</th>
<th>Responsibilities</th>
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<td>President</td>
<td>(1) Conducts elections. Issues local licenses. Preserves important documents.</td>
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<td>County Auditor</td>
<td>(2) Signs or vetoes proposed state legislation. Oversees state operations.</td>
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<td>Sheriff</td>
<td>(3) Each county’s top law enforcement officer.</td>
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<td>Governor</td>
<td>(4) Presides over the state Senate. First in succession to Governor.</td>
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<td>Secretary of State</td>
<td>(5) Signs or vetoes proposed federal legislation. Oversees federal operations.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lieutenant Governor</td>
<td>(6) Oversees state elections. Preserves the state’s history. Second in succession to Governor.</td>
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Did you know that the voting age used to be 21? In 1971, the voting age was changed to 18 so that young military men and women were eligible to vote.
Did you know that you can ask the librarians at the State Library questions about Washington State? If you need help with a report or class project, go to www.secstate.wa.gov and click on Library to email or chat with a librarian online.

**CHECK OUT THESE BOOKS!**

Your school has a library. Your neighborhood has a library. Did you know the state of Washington has a library too? The Washington State Library is where citizens come to learn about their state. The State Library has many books and websites with information about the history, genealogy and government of Washington.
**Amazing Maze**

Help the Northwest’s most famous explorers, Lewis and Clark, get across the country in this maze.

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**May 14, 1804:** Depart from St. Louis

Boat up the Mississippi River

**October 1804 – April 1805:** Winter at Fort Mandan in North Dakota

**August 17, 1805:** Receive help from the Shoshoni Indians

**September 1805:** Discover the Continental Divide and climb the Bitterroot Range of the Rocky Mountains

**October 1805:** Boat down the Columbia River

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Governor Isaac Stevens purchased the first books for Washington’s first Territorial Library. Among the books he bought was an 1814 history of the Lewis and Clark Expedition by Meriwether Lewis. It’s still at the State Library today!
Did you know that the study of your family tree is called genealogy? Genealogists study their ancestors and family history. The stories passed down in a family from generation to generation are called an oral history. What stories does your family tell?
WASHINGTON READS

Each season Washington’s state librarian selects books about Washington State and the Pacific Northwest for children to enjoy in the State Library’s Washington Reads program. Listed below are some previous selections. All of these books are available at the Washington State Library and other libraries in Washington.

“Dear Ichiro,” by Jean Davies Okimoto, illustrated by Doug Keith

“Grape Thief,” by Kristine L. Franklin

“Into the Western Winds: Pioneer Boys Traveling the Overland Trails,” by Mary Barmeyer O’Brien

“Lootas, Little Wave Eater: Adopting an Orphaned Sea Otter,” by Clare Hodgson Meeker, photographs by C.J. Casson

“Our Only May Amelia,” by Jennifer Holm

“Oregon Trail Cooking,” by Mary Gunderson

What are some of your favorite books about Washington? List them below!

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Every year the State Library sponsors a contest called “Letters About Literature.” Kids in grades 4-12 can write a personal letter to an author, explaining how his or her book made an impact on them. Winners advance to the national competition in Washington, D.C.! To find out more about this contest, go to www.secstate.wa.gov and click on Library for details.
## Test Your Knowledge of Washington Trivia

Match the question from column A with its answer from column B.

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<td>(1) Number of people in Washington in 2005?</td>
<td>Walla Walla</td>
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<td>(2) Founders of the Waiilatpu Mission?</td>
<td>Olympia Columbian</td>
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<td>(3) Location of the 1962 World’s Fair?</td>
<td>6,256,400</td>
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<td>(4) Location of the first bank in the</td>
<td>Columbian Mammoth</td>
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<td>Washington Territory?</td>
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<td>(5) State fossil?</td>
<td>George Vancouver</td>
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<td>(6) First explorer to enter and map Puget</td>
<td>Marcus and Narcissa Whitman</td>
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<td>(7) First newspaper North of the Columbia</td>
<td>Seattle</td>
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<td>River?</td>
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The State Library is located in Tumwater, which became the site of the first American settlement in the Puget Sound region when Michael T. Simmons made his home there in 1845.
Did you know that the Corporations Division has more than 320,000 corporations on file registered to conduct business in Washington?

**Washington State Corporations**

The Corporations Division is the part of the Office of the Secretary of State that registers businesses to operate in Washington State and makes this information available to the public.

The Charities Program collects information about charities operating in Washington and makes the information available to the public in an effort to prevent fraud by educating donors about the charities they may wish to make contributions to.
CORPORATION SEARCH

Find the names of some of Washington’s most prominent corporations in the chart below.

Did you know that the Corporations Division registers more than 50,000 new corporations to conduct business in Washington each year?
Charity Word Jumble
Unjumble the letters below to create charity-related words.

1. tycirah
2. roond
3. potsurp
4. bipluc veeries
5. nagtr

Did you know the Charities Program receives more than 20,000 telephone calls every year?
**What does it mean?**
Match the charity-related words below to their definitions.

<table>
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<td>Donate</td>
<td>(1) To present as a gift to a fund or cause; contribute.</td>
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<td>Fundraise</td>
<td>(2) Money for a nonprofit organization, usually for a specific project.</td>
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<td>Community</td>
<td>(3) To perform a deed that contributes to the general welfare of all.</td>
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<td>Public service</td>
<td>(4) To solicit money to benefit a cause or organization.</td>
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<td>Support</td>
<td>(5) A group of people living in the same area who have common interests.</td>
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<td>Grant</td>
<td>(6) To contribute money or necessities.</td>
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Did you know the Charities Program keeps information for approximately 12,600 organizations operating in Washington?
Activity Answers

**Pg 5**
Washington State Capitol Building

**Pg 6**
(1) Spokane
(2) Space Needle
(3) Pioneer Square

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SYMBOL LIBRARY RESEARCH VOTE HISTORY PROFIT ARCHIVE

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(6) Secretary of State
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(1) 6,256,400
(2) Marcus and Narcissa Whitman
(3) Seattle
(4) Walla Walla
(5) Columbian Mammoth
(6) George Vancouver
(7) Olympia Columbian

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D T L H D R D E X H X N Q F P
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Pg 25
(1) charity
(2) donor
(3) support
(4) public service
(5) grant

Pg 26
(1) donate
(2) grant
(3) public service
(4) fundraise
(5) community
(6) support
To find fun, educational games, interesting information about Washington State and much, much more, visit the secretary of state’s website at www.secstate.wa.gov
I Pledge to be a Good Citizen of the United States of America. I will obey laws, show respect for others, help the needy and honor my flag and my country.

Sign and Date

Washington
Secretary of State

Sam Reed