



### **CCSR Social Distance Historical Scavenger Hunt**

Since we are out of school for the remainder of the year, this scavenger hunt will provide an opportunity for you and your family to get out of the house, get some exercise, and learn more about the historic city that you live in! If you would like to learn more about the history behind each of the questions there are links listed below.

### **Instructions**

Read the question in the first column and write the correct answer in the second column. Bonus points for finding the mystery object and taking a picture with you in it! Put a check in the last column when you have taken a picture with the object. I have provided clues below the questions to help you find the area where the history took place. Good luck!

### **Safety notes :)**

- If possible, you should wear a mask that completely covers your face from nose to chin.
- Stay 6 feet away from others that you are not quarantined with.
- Wear gloves if you plan on touching anything.
- Please keep your hands away from your face and mouth.
- When returning home, leave your shoes at the door and wash your hands thoroughly.

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Question	Answer	Picture taken?
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<p>1. What famous holiday song was presumably written in Medford? Clue: A plaque can be found in Medford Square</p>		
<p>2. During the Revolutionary War, this Boston native rode from Boston, through Medford, to Lexington to warn John Hancock and Samuel Adams that the British were coming to arrest them. Clue: A plaque can be found in Medford Square</p>		
<p>3. What is the name of the wall on the Brooke's estate that was built by a slave in 1765? Clue: A plaque can be found on Grove St in West Medford</p>		
<p>4. What is the name of the colonial-era mansion that is accompanied by the only known separate slave quarters in the Northern United States? Clue: Located on George Street</p>		
<p>5. Which Colonial American house is the oldest all-brick house in the United States? Clue: Located on Riverside Ave</p>		
<p>6. Which burial ground, constructed in 1683, just recently received a stone memorial honoring the many enslaved people that were buried in unmarked graves over two centuries ago? Clue: Located in Medford Square</p>		
<p>7. Who is the plaque at Playstead Park dedicated to? Clue: Nickname "Monbo"</p>		
<p>8. What is the name of the Tower in the Middlesex Fells Reservation? Clue: Can be seen by Exit 33 driving on 93 North</p>		
<p>9. A group of Pawtucket Native Americans were the first to live in Medford. What was the name of their Chief? Clue: A monument in his name can be found on Sagamore Ave in West Medford</p>		
<p>10. Which bridge is named after Medford's first Governor and was once the only way to cross over the Mystic River? Clue: Can be found traveling from Medford Sq to</p>		

Main Street and vice versa		
<p>11. What Medford resident is known as “The Mother of the Boston Tea Party”?</p> <p>Clue: A street leading to North Medford is named after her family</p>		
<p>12. Between 1803-1873, Medford was known for its major contribution to what lucrative industry?</p> <p>Clue: Take a look at the official seal of the City of Medford. Also, a memorial can be found along the path behind the Andrews and McGlynn Middle Schools.</p>		
<p>13. Lasting for about 200 years, what product was infamously manufactured in Medford and was a large part of the city’s involvement in the Triangular Trade during the Colonial era?</p> <p>Clue: A plaque can be found in Medford Square going toward Riverside Ave</p>		
<p>14. What Medford resident is known to be the first woman to attempt Transatlantic flight?</p> <p>Clue: A plaque can be found on Brooke’s Street outside the home where she lived</p>		
<p>15. Which park holds a memorial for the Medford residents who fought in WWII, Vietnam, and Korea?</p> <p>Clue: Near Medford High School</p>		
<p>16. Where in Medford did one of the largest bank heists in New England history occur?</p> <p>Clue: The vault is still located in a restaurant in Medford Square</p>		
<p>17. What Medford resident is known for running from Medford, OR to Medford, MA to benefit the Jimmy Fund and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute?</p> <p>Clue: A stone plaque can be found outside City Hall</p>		
<p>18. Where in Medford can you find “Grandfather’s House” which is depicted in the holiday song “Over the River and through the Wood”?</p> <p>Clue: A plaque can be found in front of the house on South Street</p>		

<p>19. What Medford resident used his estate as a waystation for the underground railroad, providing “a haven for slaves” between 1850-1860? Clue: A plaque can be found in front of Cousens Gym on the Tuft’s Campus</p>		
<p>20. Where is the Old Medford High School located? What caused it to close? Clue: The Chevalier Theater is an original part of the school building</p>		

**(\*\*Spoiler Alert - Answers provided below\*\*)**

Read more about the history!

1. Was Jingle Bells really written in Medford? Let’s find out!  
<https://www.bostonmagazine.com/arts-entertainment/2017/12/12/jingle-bells-medford-massachusetts/>
2. Who was Paul Revere? Why was his ride so important?  
<https://www.history.com/topics/american-revolution/paul-revere>
3. Learn more about Pomp’s slave wall and Medford’s unfortunate involvement in the slave trade: <https://britishredcoat.blogspot.com/2008/08/slave-wall-medford-mass.html>
4. Visit the official web page of the Royall House and check out the tab labeled “Property” to learn more: <https://royallhouse.org/>
5. Click the link and scroll down to learn more about the history of the Peter Tufts House: <https://www.legendsofamerica.com/ma-historicsites/3/>
6. Learn more about the memorial unveiled in the Salem Street Burial Ground made possible from the hard work of a Brooke’s Elementary Teacher and his students: <https://www.wgbh.org/news/local-news/2019/06/09/memorial-remembers-enslaved-people-buried-in-unmarked-graves-in-medford>
7. Great guy, great read!!  
<https://www.patriotledger.com/article/20150126/Sports/150126900>
8. Quick and interesting informational video on the Wright’s Tower by WCVB 5:  
<https://www.wcvb.com/article/who-knew-wrights-tower/12789914>
9. You can read more about Chief Sagamore starting at Paragraph 5:  
<http://www.medfordhistorical.org/medford-history/about-medford/a-peculiar-plantation-17th-century-medford/>
10. Learn more about Medford’s Cradock Bridge: <https://edgreable.com/exploring-the-rich-history-of-medford-massachusetts/>
11. Learn more about Sarah Bradlee Fulton and her bravery and defiance through the

- Revolutionary War: <https://www.bostonteapartyship.com/sarah-bradlee-fulton>
12. Learn more about the history of building Clipper Ships in Medford:  
<http://www.medfordhistorical.org/medford-history/about-medford/medford-built-sailing-ships/>
  13. Learn more about Old Medford Rum:  
<http://www.medfordhistorical.org/medford-history/about-medford/medford-rum/>
  14. Read more about the amazing life of Amelia Earhart:  
<https://www.itemlive.com/2017/07/08/amelia-earhart-got-her-flying-start-in-medford/>
  15. Click here to see the official list of those who made a sacrifice to fight for our country!  
Type Ctrl+F to search for names you may recognize:  
<http://www.medfordma.org/departments/veterans/honor-roll-park/>
  16. Check out the movie “The Cops are Robbers” based on the event. You can find the vault inside Salvatore’s Restaurant. Click here to learn more about the infamous 1980 robbery: <https://apnews.com/dd91babfbc857aaabb109c0564465367>
  17. Read more about Dave McGillvray and his accomplishments:  
<https://www.dmsesports.com/press-releases/stone-plaque-unveiled-and-fenway-park-finish-re-enacted-to-commemorate-40th-anniversary-of-dave-mcgillivrays-historic-cross-country-run>
  18. Click here to learn about the history behind the song “Over the River and through the Wood”: <https://www.newenglandhistoricalsociety.com/over-the-river-and-through-the-wood-7-fun-facts/>
  19. Learn more about the detailed history of the Stearns Estate:  
<https://exhibits.tufts.edu/spotlight/john-brown-tufts/feature/the-stearns-estate>
  20. Watch this YouTube clip to see what the Old High School used to look like:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WcTyWoak2xg> and read the article to learn more about the Old Medford High School:  
[http://www.oldmedfordhigh.org/pb/wp\\_3c8eaad3/wp\\_3c8eaad3.html](http://www.oldmedfordhigh.org/pb/wp_3c8eaad3/wp_3c8eaad3.html)

### **Other Medford History resources**

How Medford came to be: <http://www.medfordhistorical.org/medford-history/about-medford/a-peculiar-plantation-17th-century-medford/>

An Elementary Guide to the History of Medford by Michael M. Coates:

[http://www.medfordhistorical.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/coates\\_our\\_medford.pdf](http://www.medfordhistorical.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/coates_our_medford.pdf)

A compilation of Medford history:

<https://paulreveresriderevisited.wordpress.com/tag/medford/>

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