

Mississippi State Capitol Post-Tour Quiz – Middle School Level – Answer Key

Multiple choice section: circle the letter of the correct answer.

1. The Mississippi State Capitol cost a total of how much?
 - a. \$5,000,000
 - b. **\$1,093,641**
 - c. \$1,603,941
 - d. \$2,000,000

2. The eagle atop the dome, which is 8 feet tall and has a 15-foot wingspan, is covered with how many ounces of gold leaf?
 - a. 2 oz.
 - b. 3.5 oz.
 - c. **3 oz.**
 - d. 4 oz.

3. There are how many Representatives in the Mississippi House of Representatives?
 - a. 102
 - b. **122**
 - c. 132
 - d. 172

4. There are how many Senators in the Mississippi Senate?
 - a. 32
 - b. 42
 - c. **52**
 - d. 62

5. How many original light fixtures are in the Capitol?
 - a. 4,000
 - b. 3,750
 - c. 3,000
 - d. **4,750**

Fill-in-the-blank section: fill in the blank with the answer.

6. Governor Andrew H. Longino, Governor from 1900-1904, was the chairman of the State House Commission overseeing the construction of the Capitol, which took 28 months to complete.

7. The architectural style of the Capitol is Beaux Arts, which is known for being “grand, scholarly, lush, and self-confident.”

8. The stained glass in the Capitol was created by Louis Millet of Chicago, Illinois.

9. The architect of the Capitol, who was originally from Germany, was Theodore Link of St. Louis, Missouri.

10. Replicas of the Liberty Bell were given to all the states and U.S. territories in the 1950s as a thank you for war bonds sales.

True or False: Put an F for false and a T for true.

11. The Capitol has 10 different types of marble from Italy, Belgium, Switzerland, Tennessee, Georgia, and Vermont. T

12. The first floor of the Capitol used to be the basement. T

13. The eagle is completely made of gold. F

14. The three branches of government are the Executive, Judicial, and Representative branches. F

Matching section: Match the term to the definition.

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| a. Capitol | A change made to a bill or law |
| b. Veto | The seating area above the chamber |
| c. Amendment | Building that houses the Legislature |
| d. Scagliola | When the Governor does not approve a bill |
| e. Gallery | The open room underneath the central dome |
| f. Rotunda | Plaster material created to look like marble |

Bonus fill-in-the-blanks:

15. Mississippi's state flower is the Magnolia Blossom.

16. The state motto is Virtute et Armis/By Valor and Arms.

17. The current Speaker of the House is Jason White.

18. The current Lieutenant Governor is Delbert Hosemann.

19. The current Governor is Tate Reeves.