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High School (9th – 12th Grade) Scavenger Hunt

★ TEACHER VERSION — ANSWER KEY INCLUDED ★

Answers are for the adult coach/mentor only. Do not share with students.

Scavenger Hunt Directions

- One teacher or chaperone (Team Leader) per five students to make a team. (Teams can be larger if needed.)
- The Team Leader's copy has answers on the last page. Answers are only for the Team Leader.
- The Team Leader will read each question and offer suggestions as to where the answer might be in the exhibit. Students will do discovery museum interaction to find the answer.
- Each team should remain together as they go through the museum helping each other learn about the interactive exhibits.

Museum Rules

- **Respect all exhibits** — No touching cases, artifacts, or display surfaces.
- **Use indoor voices** — Walk, speak quietly, and avoid disrupting other visitors.
- **Follow gallery pathways** — Stay in public areas and follow posted signs.
- **Record answers neatly** — Students write their own answers; adults may guide.
- **Manage time well** — Teams should pace themselves to complete all sections.
- **Care for materials** — Keep scavenger sheets, pencils, and clipboards in good condition.
- **Ask a volunteer docent** — Docents may help with locations, not answers.
- **Share space politely** — Do not block exhibits; wait if an area is crowded.
- **No food or drink** — Food, drinks, gum, and candy are not allowed in galleries.
- **Pencils Only** – Extra pencils may be found at the Visitor Information Desk. Please return it once your tour is complete.

Teacher:

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Scavenger Hunt Questions

TEKS	Question	#
Entrance & Family Displays		
	Take 2 minutes to look at the Pierce Family Display. List 2 facts you learned. ➤ ***Open-ended (student response)***	**1**
	Take 2 minutes to look at the Bush Family display. List 2 new facts you learned. ➤ ***Open-ended (student response)***	**2**
Military Service & World War II		
US.7A / WH.12C	What major world event caused Bush to change his plans of going directly to the University of Yale from High School? ➤ ***Pearl Harbor***	**3**
US.7B	Who were the Presidents during World War II? ➤ ***Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman***	**4**
US.7F	Did George Bush volunteer for service or was he drafted? ➤ ***He Volunteered***	**5**
US.7D	What was Bush's objective in the Chichi Jima Mission? ➤ ***Destroy radio towers on islands off of Japan***	**6**
Yale University Years		
US.17B	What helped finance Bush's Yale education? ➤ ***G.I. Bill***	**7**
	What did Bush study at Yale? ➤ ***Economics***	**8**
	What happened to Robin Bush? ➤ ***Passed away from childhood Leukemia***	**9**
Texas Business & Early Political Career		
US.26A / WG.19A	What is the "Scorpion"? ➤ ***Zapata Off Shore's 3-legged oil rig***	**10**
US.17B / WG.19C	Why was the Permian Basin so important? ➤ ***It had some of the richest oil deposits***	**11**
USG.3A / USG.3B	Bush began his political career as Republican Party Chairman for which county in Texas? ➤ ***Harris County***	**12**

US.9I	What was significant about Velma Jackson-Johnson's appointment to then Congressman Bush's staff? ➤ ***First and only Black secretary to work for a TX congressman.***	**13**
US.9G / US.16A	How did Bush vote on the Civil Rights Bill of 1968? Was this a popular decision among his constituents? ➤ ***Yes — they booed and catcalled him when he spoke. His constituents were angry.***	**14**
National & International Service		
US.18C / USG.2B / USG.10A	What was Republican National Committee Chairman Bush's advice to President Nixon regarding Watergate? ➤ ***To resign***	**15**
USG.2A	Give one reason that President Ford asked Bush to serve as director of the CIA. ➤ ***Reliable / trustworthy***	**16**
Road to the Presidency		
	What year was Bush elected president? ➤ ***1988***	**17**
	Who was vice president while Bush was President? ➤ ***J. Danforth Quayle***	**18**
Domestic Policy		
US.15B / US.17D	What did the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 do? ➤ ***Mainstreamed millions of disabled people into productive employment and full, meaningful lives.***	**19**
State Gifts Gallery		
	List 3 different countries that gave gifts to the Bushes. ➤ ***Open-ended (student response)***	**20**
The Berlin Wall & Cold War		
US.8A	How long was the concrete wall that divided Berlin? ➤ ***96 miles***	**21**
US.8A / WH.13A / WG.14C	When and why was the Berlin Wall built? ➤ ***1961; to separate East and West Berlin***	**22**
US.8A	In what year were East and West Germany reunited? ➤ ***1990***	**23**
US.11A / WH.13C	The fall of the Berlin Wall marked the end of what? ➤ ***The Cold War***	**24**
Gulf War		
US.11A	Which country did Iraq invade? ➤ ***Kuwait***	**25**
US.11A / WG.21B	Where was the military conflict? ➤ ***Persian Gulf / Kuwait / Arabian Peninsula***	**26**
US.11A	Who was the leader of Iraq? ➤ ***Saddam Hussein***	**27**

US.11A	What is a coalition? ➤ ***A group working together for a common cause***	**28**
US.11A	What was the final outcome? ➤ ***Liberation of Kuwait***	**29**
US.11A	What did Saddam Hussein order his troops to do as they retreated from Kuwait? ➤ ***Destroy all the oil fields***	**30**
US.11A	Which groups put out the Kuwaiti fires? Where were they from? ➤ ***Oil firefighters / Red Adair / Boots & Coots; Texas***	**31**
US.11A	What do the names on the Gate of Kuwait signify? ➤ ***Americans killed in the conflict***	**32**
★ BONUS		
US.11C	How did 3rd party candidate Ross Perot impact Bush's bid for re-election? ➤ ***Perot split the Republican/conservative vote, taking votes away from Bush and contributing to his loss to Clinton.***	**33**

Overall Social Studies Skills TEKS: US.28A,B,C,D,E; US.29A; US.31; E.23; WH.28E; WH.31; WG.21D; WG.23C; USG.19A; USG.21

Follow-up Discussion Questions — For Teacher-Led Reflection

1. What evidence supports the statement that George H.W. Bush was well prepared to be President by the time he was elected?
2. Why are the 41st and 43rd Presidents unique?
3. What makes a good leader?

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