

The Discoverer

Yours is the age of exploration! Always a pathfinder, you don't care where you're going or how you'll get there, but whatever you find on your trip is sure to be an adventure. When navigating the Museum, you can barely decide which direction to turn!

Find Yourself in American History!

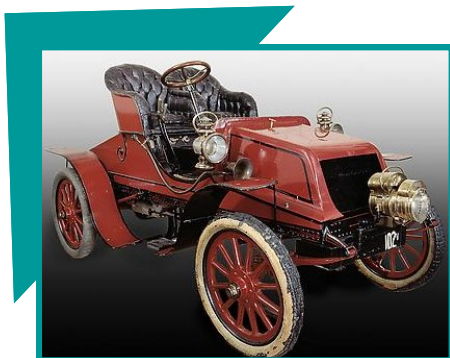
Use these quotes and images to find the objects that match your personality.

Use the objects and people you find to answer the questions in the boxes.

Start on the 1st floor and move up through the Museum.

Riding along in my automobile...

1903



Who drove this car and where were they going? What were the roads like?

America on the Move on 1 East

"All attempts heretofore to go overland in an automobile have come to grief."

– San Francisco Examiner, May 23, 1903

Where can you ride a buffalo?

1860



Find out how American Indian women and others "rode" the rivers in...

On the Water on 1 East

"Near Like-a-Fishhook Village, wood was rather scarce because we sold so much of it to steam-boats."

– Buffalo Bird Woman



Image from Library of Congress

O, Say Can You See...

1814



How did Francis Scott Key see the Star-Spangled Banner? Find out in...

The Star-Spangled Banner on 2 Center

"Then in that hour of deliverance and joyful triumph, my heart spoke."

– Francis Scott Key, recalling the morning of September 14, 1814





Go West, young man. (Young women too!)

1803

"Capts. Lewis and Clark wintered at the entrance [sic] of a Small river opposit [sic] the Mouth of Missouri Called Wood River, where they formed their party, Composed of robust helthy [sic] hardy young men."- William Clark



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How did Lewis and Clark know where they were going? Find one of their tools in...

The American Presidency on 3 Center

1961

When did the President predict the future?



Image from National Archives

"I believe that this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the Moon and returning him safely to the Earth. No single space project...will be more exciting, or more impressive to mankind, or more important...and none will be so difficult or expensive to accomplish."

– John F. Kennedy, May 1961



Who was the first American to man a space mission? Why did his outfit matter? Find out in...

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What other artifact belongs on this list? Design your own tour stop here!

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Ask a question:

A little more info:

