

So You Think You Know Thomas Jefferson... **Teacher Guide**

Student Task 1: Complete the following quote from Jefferson and when your team believes you have the correct answer report to your teacher to receive the next task.

“I cannot live without **books**”

Teacher response: Visit the room where these are likely found in Monticello (**Book Room**)

Student Question 2: What did Jefferson feel was essential to survival of democracy? **Education** and because of this he founded what? **The University of Virginia**

Teacher response: I am sure that Jefferson wrote many letters in this room of his house, we often refer to it as a study today (**Cabinet**).

Extra Hint: It is next to his bedroom and Presidents often turn to this group for advice.

Student Question 3: After visiting this room why do we know so much about Jefferson today? **He used a polygraph to make copies of his letters and kept them** He referred to letters as the **diaries** of a person's life.

Teacher response: He did write many letters corresponding with scientist and politicians etc. from all over the world, but he also received many visitors at Monticello. What was the first part a visitor would likely see as they walked up to Monticello? (**Northeast Portico**)

Student Question 4: Who was responsible for the design and architecture of Monticello? **Thomas Jefferson**. Besides the being the primary author of the Declaration of Independence, list two other accomplishments of Thomas Jefferson. **Answers will vary**

Teacher Response: He was also friends with other US Presidents as well, in fact one often stayed in this eight sided room? (**North Octagonal Room**)

Student Question 5: What US President often stayed in this room? **James Madison** These two US Presidents would eat dinner together, but they did not cook for themselves. Proceed to the south dependency and the room where the food was cooked for these meals among US Presidents. Who eat in the kitchen? **Slaves of Monticello and slaves of overnight visitors**

Teacher Response: Jefferson and his family would eat on the opposite side of the house in this room.

Student Question 6: Who was responsible for cooking, serving, and cleaning up after the lavish meals **slaves of Monticello**? To cut down on intrusions this unique device was responsible for bring wine up from the basement **dumbwaiters**.

Teacher Response: No one would eat in this room, but it was one of the biggest at Monticello and the center of activity. (**Parlor**)

Student Question 7:

The walls of this room were covered with **paintings**? Also from this room and many others at Monticello slaves could be summed by using a **bell**?

Teacher Response: This next room sounds like a favorite food of Americans, but is located on to the Southeast. (**Southeast Piazza**).

Student Question 8:

Jefferson likely read many books in this outdoor living space with his pet **mockingbirds**.

Jefferson is a man of the **enlightenment**.

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