

Scouting Around Corpus Christi



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REQUIREMENTS FOR SCOUTING AROUND CORPUS CHRISTI.

Complete the starred activity (**) and three additional activities to earn the patch.

1. CORPUS CHRISTI MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY & LOS BARCOS

Location & Contact Information:	1900 North Chaparral Corpus Christi, TX 78401 Phone: (361) 826-4667 Website: http://www.ccmuseum.com
Hours:	Tuesday thru Saturday: 10:00am-5:00pm Sunday: 12noon-5:00pm CLOSED Monday
Admission:	Children 4 and under: Free Children 5-12: \$6.00 Adults: \$11.50 Senior Citizens: \$9.00 Advance notice is required for groups. Call for reservation and rates.
What to do:	Tour museum and listen to audio description of an old south Texas house. Watch the movie at the Shipwreck Exhibit. Tour the Columbus ship.
Answer these questions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Of what are the shellcrete bricks made? 2. What do our present day appliances replace from the historical home? 3. Which of the three ships is the largest? 4. How many people did each of these ships contain?

2. CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS MEMORIAL STATUE

Location & Contact Information:	James Storm Pavillion, Port of Corpus Christi Under Harbor Bridge
Hours:	Always open.
Admission:	Admission is free.
What to do:	Look at the statue and read the description.
Answer these questions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How long did Columbus' first voyage take? 2. What direction is Columbus pointing?

3. MEMORIAL STATUE ON SHORELINE BOULEVARD

Location & Contact Information:	Shoreline Blvd. and Peoples St.
Hours:	Always open.
Admission:	Admission is free.

What to do:	View the statue and memorial.
Answer these questions:	1. Who is memorialized by the statue?

4. HERITAGE PARK

Location & Contact Information:	1581 N. Chaparral St. Corpus Christi, TX 78401 Phone: (361) 826-3410
Hours:	Galván House is open: Monday thru Thursday: 9:00am-5:00pm Friday: 9:00am-2:00pm Saturday: 11:00am-2:00pm CLOSED Sunday All other houses are open by appointment. Call beforehand to make arrangements.
Admission:	Admission to the Galván House is free. Tours: Children: \$2.00 Adults: \$6.00 Call ahead to arrange a tour.
What to do:	Read all of the signs in front of the homes. Tour at least four houses.

5. TEXAS STATE MUSEUM OF ASIAN CULTURES

Location & Contact Information:	1809 N. Chaparral St. Corpus Christi, TX 78401 Phone: (361) 882-2641 Website: http://www.asianculturesmuseum.org
Hours:	Tuesday thru Saturday: 10:00am-5:00pm CLOSED Sunday & Monday
Admission:	Children 12 and under: \$2.00 Students: \$3.00 Adults: \$5.00
What to do:	Tour the museum and try on oriental apparel.

6. CORPUS CHRISTI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Location & Contact Information:	1201 N. Shoreline Blvd. Corpus Christi, TX 78401 Phone: (361) 881-1800 Website: http://www.corpuschristichamber.org
Hours:	Monday thru Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm

	CLOSED Saturday & Sunday
Admission:	Admission is free.
What to do:	Read the sign outside of the building.
Answer these questions:	1. What happened on August 16 th and August 18 th ?

**7. MIRADORES

Location & Contact Information:	Miradores are the gazebos along Shoreline Drive along the Bayfront.
Hours:	Always open.
Admission:	Admission is free.
What to do:	Read the signs in the Miradores.
Answer these questions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What two types of Indians lived in the Nueces County area? 2. What does "Corpus Christi" mean? 3. Who captured Cabeza de Vaca? For how long? 4. What was the name of one survivor from the Spanish ships? 5. What did Captain Falcon establish? 6. What is Isle de Corpus Christi? 7. What was the area around Zachary Taylor's camp? 8. What did Captain Richard King establish?

8. TEXAS STATE AQUARIUM

Location & Contact Information:	2710 N. Shoreline Blvd. (Near Corpus Christi Beach) Corpus Christi, TX 78402 Phone: (800) 477-4853 Website: http://www.texasstateaquarium.org
Hours:	Open daily 9:00am-6:00pm
Admission:	Children 2 and younger: Free Children 3-12: \$9.95 Adults: \$14.95 Parking: \$4.00 Call for specifics on group rates.
What to do:	Take a tour of the aquarium.

9. USS LEXINGTON

Location & Contact Information:	2914 N. Shoreline Blvd. Corpus Christi, TX 78403 Phone: (800) LADY-LEX Website: http://www.usslexington.com
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Hours:	Memorial Day thru Labor Day: 9:00am-6:00pm Labor Day thru Memorial Day: 9:00am-5:00pm
Admission:	Children 3 and under: Free Children 4-12: \$7.95 Adults: \$12.95 Parking: \$3.50
What to do:	Tour the ship.
Answer these questions:	1. In what part of the ship are the Junior Officers' quarters? 2. What does USS stand for? 3. How many planes did the USS Lexington destroy? 4. How many planes did the USS Lexington shoot down? 5. How did the USS Lexington get the name "The Blue Ghost?"

10. OLD NUECES COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Location & Contact Information:	Intersection of North Mesquite and Interstate Highway 37
Hours:	No admission.
Admission:	No admission.
What to do:	Read the sign outside of the fence in front of the building.
Answer these questions:	1. When was the courthouse built? 2. How much money did it cost to build?

11. THE TIDE

Location & Contact Information:	The Tide is the city bus that travels over the Harbor Bridge, also known as Route #78. The bus leaves the Staples Street Transfer Station at the corner of Staples and Mestina, across from the City Hall, and goes to the Aquarium and USS Lexington.
Hours:	6:00am-7:00pm every half hour
Admission:	Children: \$0.50 Adults \$1.00
What to do:	Ride The Tide. This eliminates parking costs for the Aquarium and USS Lexington.

ANSWERS TO SCOUTING AROUND CORPUS CHRISTI QUESTIONS

1. CORPUS CHRISTI MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY & LOS BARCOS

Answer these questions:

1. Of what are the shellcrete bricks made?
A. Shell creek bricks are made of shells, sand, and lime.
2. What do our present day appliances replace from the historical home?
A. Stoves are replaced by heater, lanterns by electric bulbs, wash tubs by washing machines, and ringers with clothes dryers.

2. CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS MEMORIAL STATUE

Answer these questions:

1. How long did Columbus' first voyage take?
A. 33 days.
2. Which direction is Columbus pointing?
A. West.

3. MEMORIAL STATUE ON SHORELINE BOULEVARD

Answer these questions:

1. Who is memorialized by the statue?
A. Selena.

6. CORPUS CHRISTI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Answer these questions:

1. What happened on August 16th and August 18th?
A. Those are the dates of battles fought by Confederates in the Corpus Christi area during the Civil War.

**7. MIRADORES

Answer these questions:

1. What two types of Indians lived in the Nueces County Area?
A. Karankawa and Lipan Apache Indians lived in the Nueces County area.
2. What does "Corpus Christi" mean?
A. Body of Christ
3. Who captured Cabeza de Vaca? For how long?
A. The Karankawas captured and kept Cabeza de Vaca for six years.
4. What was the name of one survivor from the Spanish ships?
A. Fr. Marcos de Mena
5. What did Captain Falcon establish?
A. Rancho Real Santu Petronilla
6. What is Isle de Corpus Christi?
A. Padre Island
7. What was the area around Zachary Taylor's camp?
A. Corpus Christi
8. What did Captain Richard King establish?
A. King Ranch

9. USS LEXINGTON

Answer these questions:

1. In what part of the ship are the Junior Officers' quarters?
A. In the foc'sle
2. What does USS stand for?
A. United States Ship
3. How many planes did the USS Lexington destroy?
A. 635 planes.
4. How many planes did the USS Lexington shoot down?
A. 387 planes.
5. How did the USS Lexington get the name "The Blue Ghost?"
A. It was thought to be sunk four times, but kept reappearing and looking blue.

10. OLD NUECES COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Answer these questions:

1. When was the Courthouse built?
A. 1853
2. How much money did it cost to build?
A. \$300.00

**SCOUTING AROUND CORPUS CHRISTI
REPORT FORM**

TROOP #: _____ Leader's Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Date Completed: _____ Number of girls completing patch program: _____

Give a brief report of the girl's reaction to the activities: _____

What activity the girls like least? _____

What activity did the girls like the most? _____

Other comments: _____

NUMBER OF CENTER PATCHES NEEDED _____

NUMBER OF ROCKER PATCHES NEEDED _____

THE CENTER PATCH AND ROCKERS ARE \$1.50 PLUS TAX (.0825) EACH
ADD 10% FOR POSTAGE AND HANDLING (\$.50 MIN - \$7.50 MAX)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Report filed: _____ Number of patches: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Patches Mailed: _____ Receipt Number: _____