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## Junior Ranger Activity Book



**The Plant Doctor**

# Earning Your Junior Ranger Badge

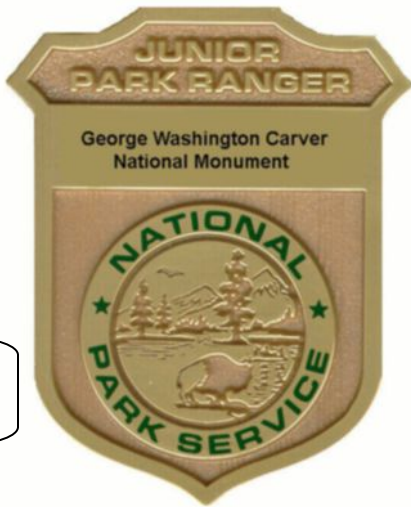
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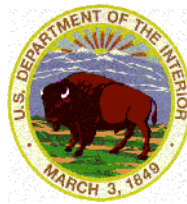
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Hi, kids! Let's earn our jr ranger badge together!



## George Washington Carver National Monument Certificate of Achievement



*This certifies that*



*has successfully completed all of the requirements of the George Washington Carver National Monument Junior Ranger program, and as such is duly awarded the position of Junior Ranger.*

**“Explore, Learn, Protect: Be A Junior Ranger.”**

Park Ranger  
George Washington Carver National Monument

Official Park Stamp



Great Job



George Washington Carver  
Birthplace District Association

## George W. Carver Junior Ranger Motto

I, \_\_\_\_\_, will do my best to take care of the National Parks.

I will:

- tell others about protecting the resources in the national parks,
- learn more about African American history,
- be more like George Washington Carver: respectful, kind, and a helper to other people.



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## Explore, Learn, Protect

*George Washington Carver National Monument near Diamond, Missouri is the birthplace and childhood home of the famous scientist and teacher. In 1943 it became the first national park set aside to honor the life of an African American. Mr. Carver worked to help other people so he is often called a humanitarian.*

*Junior Rangers **explore** their parks, **learn** park stories, and find out how to **protect** our nation's historic and natural wonders.*

*Be a Junior Ranger!*



## A Park Ranger Program...

There are many park ranger programs offered at the park. Check at the visitor center to see when the next program will start.



When the program is over ask the park ranger to sign below.

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Program Title

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Date

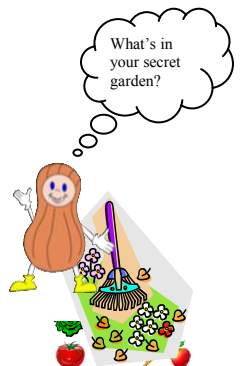
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Park Ranger



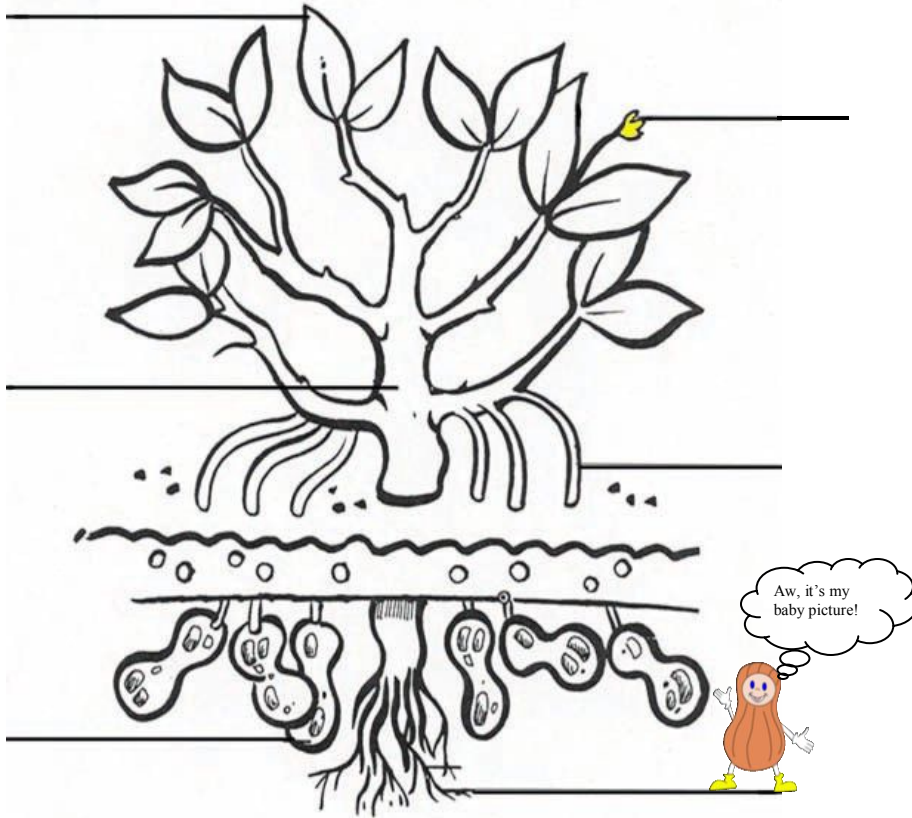
## The Plant Doctor...

Young George's nickname was the "Plant Doctor". George had a little garden hidden in the woods. Use your pencil or the colored pencils upstairs and draw a picture of what you would plant in your secret garden.



## The Peanut Plant...

Can you label the parts of the peanut plant?



flower   peg   stem   leaf   roots   peanut pod

## A Carver Video...

Watch the film on George's life and answer the questions below.



1. The Moses Carver farm was located near what Missouri town?
2. Why did George have to move around to go to school?
3. What did George tell farmers to plant, instead of cotton?
4. List one important thing George Washington Carver did during his life.

## Trailblazing...

Hike the Carver trail where young George used his curiosity to find out about the world around him. Write about or draw three things you see on your hike!



The Carver trail leads to the birthplace site, childhood statue of George, Williams Pond, 1881 Moses Carver House, and Carver Family Cemetery.

## Carver the Musician...

George Washington Carver was a musician.  
(Match the pictures and words.)



**PIANO**

**ACCORDION**

**FIDDLE**

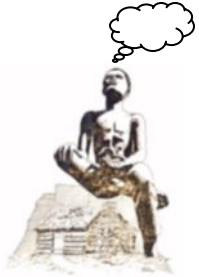
**HARMONICA**

**ORGAN**

**SINGING**

# Equipment...

Outside, find the bust of George Washington Carver, and listen to the poem. Circle the equipment!



Hint: A "bust" is a sculpture of a person's head, shoulders, and upper chest!



# Join the Junior Ranger Team!



# Carver Word Search...

Find these words in the puzzle below:  
(They may be backwards or diagonal.)



*ART FARM FLOWERS GARDEN*

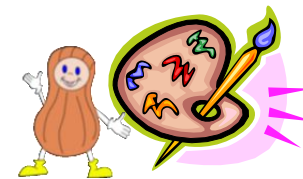
*GEORGE PAINTING PEANUT POEM*

*SCIENCE TEACH*

P E A N U T W A G C  
A V M D W E X I R G  
I L S H Z N B F E T  
N O F C E O K A Z R  
T T M D I S G R O D  
I E R P W E S M L E  
N A K J O U N Q Y N  
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# Art...

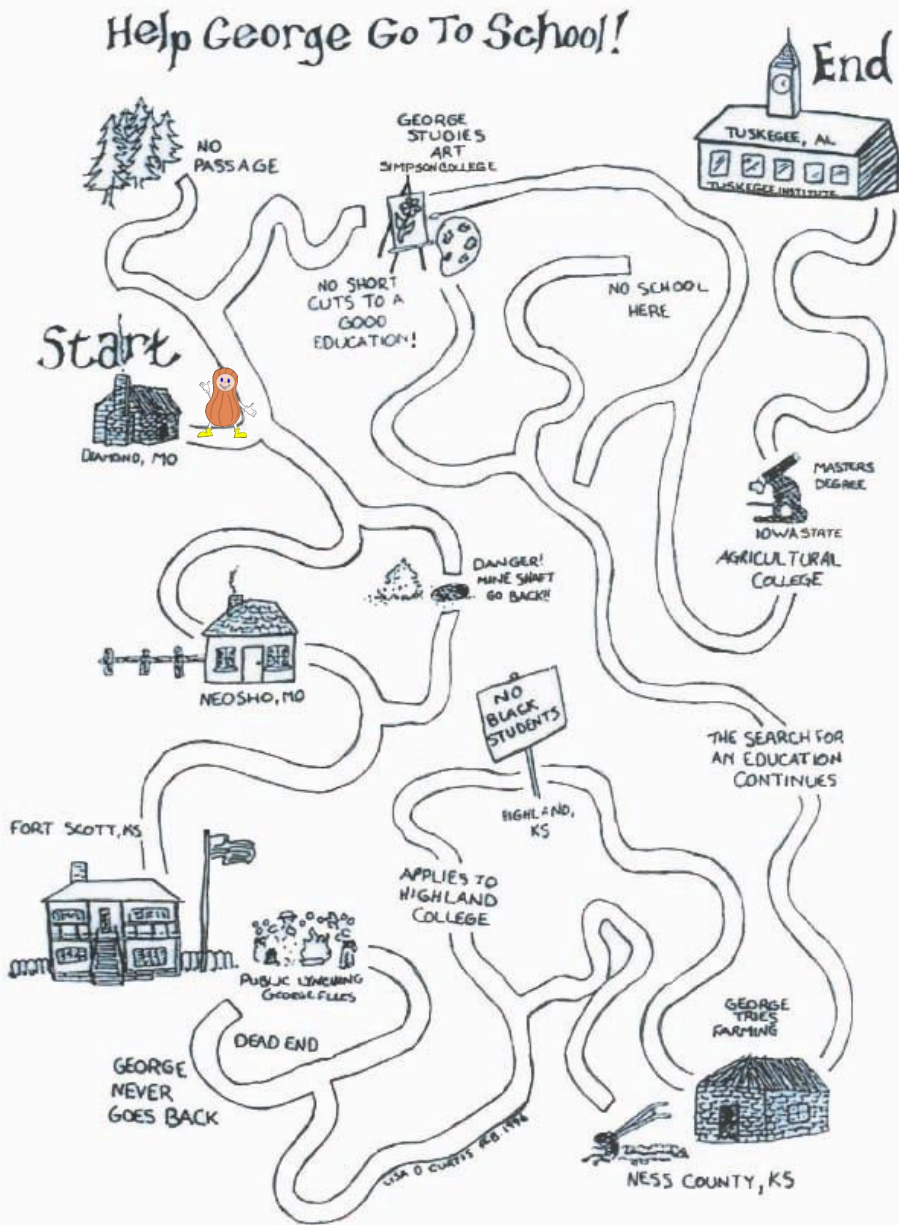
George loved to paint, and was very artistic.  
Find the colored pencils upstairs and draw a  
picture of your favorite place at the park.



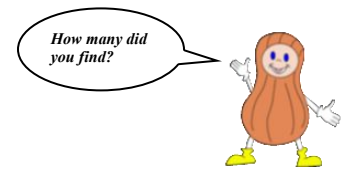
# Scavenger Hunt...

Place a check mark  in the box after you find each item!

(They may be in the museum or upstairs.)



- Find the log cabin sketch that George Washington Carver drew. How many windows can you see? \_\_\_\_\_
- Find a photo of Stephen Frost, George's teacher in Neosho.
- Find a microscope and look at slides.
- Find a trunk like George used to carry his things.
- Push some buttons at the animal exhibit. Can you hear and see the coyote, the bobcat, and the cardinal?
- Make your own display on the platform table using things from the Jesup Agricultural Wagon and from the other shelves.
- Find the Jesup Agricultural Wagon. What is your favorite item on the wagon? \_\_\_\_\_
- Find a picture of George Washington Carver with some plants. Does he have a flower on his suit jacket? \_\_\_\_\_
- Find the real marbles.
- Find a dried peanut plant. Do peanut pods form underground? \_\_\_\_\_



## Carver Quotes...

*“My education was picked up here and there. Mr. and Mrs. Carver taught me to read, spell and write just a little.”*

*Geo. W. Carver*

*“Nothing pleases me more than to take my pencils, paint, brushes, sketch book, pastel board, etc., and spend a day in the woods.”*

*Geo. W. Carver*

*“When I was growing up I had a little plot of ground that I turned into a sort of flower hospital and nursed sick plants from all over the neighborhood...”*

*Geo. W. Carver*

## George Washington Carver Says...

Read George’s quotes and copy your favorite quote below.



Use your pencil or find the colored pencils upstairs and draw a picture about the quote here.

