



AT THE CAPITOL

# BINGO

## Activity Guide

How many of these can you find? They are all in public areas.

Will you get bingo?  
Can you get black out?





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The Kansas State Capitol originally housed the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of state government. The artwork and furnishings in the Capitol tell the story of Kansas.

### Ground Floor

- The wild native sunflower is the state flower of Kansas. It is used to decorate many things, including boots.
- Public criticism kept a statue of *Ceres*, Roman goddess of agriculture, from being placed on top of the dome. It is now on display after being stored in closets for decades.
- This unidentified Comanche man posed for a photo in the 1870s.
- Dwight D. Eisenhower grew up in Abilene, Kansas, and served as the Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force in Europe during World War II before becoming the 34th President of the United States.
- Kansas contains 105 counties. It stretches roughly 400 miles east to west and 210 miles north to south.

### 1st Floor

- The Capitol's dome is actually two domes, an inner dome and an outer dome. The flags surrounding the rotunda above on the second floor represent the nations that claimed ownership of Kansas from colonial times to the present.
- The hardware found throughout the building reflects the late 19th and early 20th century decades when the Capitol was built. The east wing hardware is different than the west wing hardware.
- *Westward Ho*, a mural by David H. Overmyer, illustrates the Oregon and California Trails that went through northeast Kansas.
- Four of the Capitol's elevators can be found in the corners of the building where the wings meet.
- This Liberty Bell model is a U.S. bicentennial gift from the Kansas American Legion and Legion Auxiliary.

### 2nd Floor

- Kansas governors are elected to a four-year term. The Kansas Constitution allows them to serve two consecutive terms.
- The Capitol's main staircases are located in the north and south wings.
- John Steuart Curry's mural, *Kansas Pastoral*, shows rural life in early 1940s Kansas.
- Lumen Martin Winter painted *Threshing* to honor Kansas farmers.

### 2nd Floor

- Pete Felton carved this Amelia Earhart statue from Kansas limestone. A crane moved the 2,000-pound statue into the building.
- Post-Civil War longhorn cattle drives from Texas to Kansas are shown in Lumen Martin Winter's *Commerce* painting.
- Edward McCabe was elected as Kansas State Auditor from 1883-1887, making him the first African American to hold a statewide office in Kansas.
- John Steuart Curry's murals include a Spanish explorer, the first Europeans to arrive in what would become Kansas.
- The Kansas Chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars honored the nation's 1976 bicentennial by giving the state two stained glass windows.

### 3rd Floor

- The legacy of the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court desegregation case is shown in Michael Young's *Brown v. Board of Education* mural.
- The House of Representatives is home to 125 legislators who are elected to two-year terms.
- L.D. Robinson, head custodian at the Capitol, carved this seal of the Kansas Supreme Court in 1948 when contractors could not fulfill a request for one.
- Restoration work on the Capitol earned a preservation award in 2012.
- The Senate is home to 40 senators elected to four-year terms.