

# SCAVENGER HUNT

Welcome to Central Park! Today, we're going to take a closer look at the history of Seneca Village, a vibrant and thriving community that existed on this very spot in the mid-19th century. Your task is to explore the park and find clues that will help you learn more about Seneca Village and the people who lived there.

Intended for all ages

CLUE		ANSWER
1	Begin at the Seneca Village plaque, located at the intersection of 85th Street and Central Park West. What year that Seneca Village was established?	
2	Find the remains of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, which was a central gathering place for the Seneca Village community. What year that the church was built?	
3	Locate the site of the All Angels' Church, which served as a polling station during the 1856 presidential election. How many residents of Seneca Village were eligible to vote in that election?	
4	Find the site of the home of Mary and William Gottlieb, who were prominent members of the Seneca Village community. What was William's occupation?	
5	Look for the site of the home of Nancy Moore, who owned three lots of land in Seneca Village. How much did she pay for each lot?	
6	Find the site of the home of the Lynes family. What was the father's occupation?	
7	Locate the site of the home of the African American Clark family. How many people lived in their household?	
8	Find the site of the home of the Irish American Devlin family. How many people lived in their household?	
9	Look for the site of the home of the White American Morell family. How many people lived in their household?	
10	Finally, locate the plaque that marks the spot where the village was destroyed to make way for the construction of Central Park. How many people were displaced from their homes as a result?	

# ANSWER KEY

1. Begin at the Seneca Village plaque, located at the intersection of 85th Street and Central Park West. What year that Seneca Village was established? **Answer: 1825**
2. Find the remains of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, which was a central gathering place for the Seneca Village community. What year that the church was built? **Answer: 1853**
3. Locate the site of the All Angels' Church, which served as a polling station during the 1856 presidential election. How many residents of Seneca Village were eligible to vote in that election? **Answer: 10**
4. Find the site of the home of Mary and William Gottlieb, who were prominent members of the Seneca Village community. What was William's occupation? **Answer: Shoe cobbler**
5. Look for the site of the home of Nancy Moore, who owned three lots of land in Seneca Village. How much did she pay for each lot? **Answer: \$50**
6. Find the site of the home of the Lynes family. What was the father's occupation? **Answer: Gardener**
7. Locate the site of the home of the African American Clark family. How many people lived in their household? **Answer: 8**
8. Find the site of the home of the Irish American Devlin family. How many people lived in their household? **Answer: 7**
9. Look for the site of the home of the White American Morell family. How many people lived in their household? **Answer: 7**
10. Finally, locate the plaque that marks the spot where the village was destroyed to make way for the construction of Central Park. How many people were displaced from their homes as a result? Answer: **Approximately 300**

Congratulations, you've completed the Seneca Village Scavenger Hunt! We hope that you've learned more about this fascinating and important piece of New York City's history, and that you'll continue to explore and learn more about the people and communities that have shaped our city.