Welcome to the **LIBRARY of CONGRESS**!

**WHERE ARE ALL THE ANIMALS?**

All kinds of animals have made the Thomas Jefferson Building their home! Some are easy to find, but others like to hide. Track them down and circle each animal when you find it.

Stand in the center of the Great Hall. Can you spot these animals on the floor?

- lion
- fish
- crab
- ram
- goat
- bull

**BONUS**

Do these animals have anything in common?

* Maybe your adult can help!

Look for marble animals carved on the stairs and keeping watch over the Hall.

- eagle
- rabbit
- crocodile
- dragon
- stork

**HINT** Marble globes make great hiding places!

Walk through the large center arch on the east side of the Great Hall (away from the Capitol Building). You will find yourself in a smaller space that holds two historic Bibles. Write down some of the animals you can find hanging out there:

**BONUS**

Can you find these mythological creatures?

* Griffin (half eagle, half lion)

Hippocampus (half horse, half fish)

- peacock
- cat
- dog
- snake
- swan
- lion
- rooster
- pigeon
- hedgehog
- elephant
- eagle

There's more to explore! Turn this page over for another activity.

Climb the stairs to the second floor. Look up to see even more animals.
Who’s Watching Over the Library?

Look for the woman shown to the left as you climb the stairs to the Main Reading Room’s Visitor Gallery. She is Minerva, the Roman goddess of wisdom and learning.

American artist Elihu Vedder designed this mosaic especially for the Library. Mosaics are made up of many small pieces of tile, marble or glass put together to create a larger image.

Why do you think Minerva was chosen to watch over the Library of Congress?

Did You Know...

The small statue in the mosaic shows Nike, the Greek winged goddess of victory.

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Watch Minerva’s feet as you walk around. They always point towards you!

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