

8th Gr. Monument Project

1. Choose two memorials to research from the list below. Take notes and list where the memorial is, what it is made of, who designed it, etc. Print one small picture for each monument and glue these into your sketchbook.
2. Create your own monument or memorial based on an appropriate important concept (ie. Serenity), topic, or event. Read the questions below to guide your drawings. Include info about your monument location, materials (rock, wood etc), and how people will interact with your design. Complete the drawing either a pencil or colored pencil drawing of your idea in your sketchbook.
3. Write two paragraphs about your monument.
4. If time allows, explore Google Sketch-up to create a 3-D computer model of your design.

What person, event, concept, or group of people do you want to commemorate? (i.e. Policemen and firefighters have memorials; what about teachers?)

Should we always commemorate the past, war, etc.? What about peace? Why not celebrate the present or the future? Some memorials do both. Think about the Kennedy Center in D.C. It is a theatre dedicated to J.F.K.

Will you incorporate water, fire, earth, or other elements? Why?

Will you imitate a style of architecture or incorporate an engineering feat? (i.e. Greek style, Brooklyn Bridge-suspension bridge) Why?

Often the most powerful memorials — the monuments that stir strong emotion — are surrounded with controversy. The memorials listed here show various ways architects and designers have chosen to honor heroes or respond to tragic events.

World War II Monuments and Memorials:

- [The National WWII Memorial](#), Washington D.C.
- [The USS Arizona Memorial at Pearl Harbor](#), Hawaii, USA
- Hiroshima Peace Park (http://www.pcf.city.hiroshima.jp/index_e2.html)

Holocaust Memorials:

- [The Berlin Holocaust Memorial](#)

Vietnam War Monuments and Memorials:

- [The Vietnam Veterans Memorial](#), Washington D.C.
- [The Vietnam Veterans Statue](#), Washington D.C.
- [Kentucky Vietnam Veterans Memorial](#), Frankfort, Kentucky

Korean War Monuments and Memorials:

- [Korean War Memorial](#), Washington D.C.

Monuments to Leaders:

- [Martin Luther King Memorial](#), Seattle, Washington
- [The John F. Kennedy Eternal Flame](#), Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA
- [Washington Monument](#), Washington D.C.
- [Lincoln Memorial](#), Washington D.C.
- [Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial](#), Washington D.C.
- [Lenin's Mausoleum](#), Moscow, Russia

September 11 Monuments and Memorials:

- [Reflecting Absence](#)
- [New York World Trade Center Memorial Finalists](#)
- [Pentagon Memorial](#)

More War Monuments:

- [Arc de Triomphe](#), Paris, France

- Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA
- Remember the Maine, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA

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Civil Rights Memorial (<http://www.splcenter.org/crm/memorial.jsp>)