West Point Foundry Preserve and Foundry Dock Park in Cold Spring are great places to explore and learn more about the Hudson Valley’s history. In celebration of Presidents’ Day, we’ve created an educational challenge at these parks (which are connected by a universally accessible trail along Foundry Cove Marsh). While enjoying the natural beauty of these special places, find the answers to the following questions by reading the interpretive panels or logging onto our exciting interactive mobile tour at foundrytour.org. Please remember to stay on marked paths at West Point Foundry Preserve: It’s a sensitive archaeological site and it’s important to leave things as you find them.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no snow removal at West Point Foundry Preserve’s parking area. Under snowy conditions, visitors should park at Cold Spring’s Metro-North station and take the pedestrian overpass to the preserve entrance, located at the south end of the northbound platform.

When you’re done, visit www.scenichudson.org/education to check the answers and download more fun and informative resources that will enhance your visits to Scenic Hudson’s parks.

1. Which mountain that led to Scenic Hudson’s founding and the birth of the modern environmental movement can be seen across the river north of Foundry Dock Park?
2. What building—built by the West Point Foundry and listed on the National Register of Historic Places—is located next to Foundry Dock Park?

3. How did raw materials and finished products make their way from Foundry Dock to the West Point Foundry back in the 1800s?

4. In 1862, what U.S. President visited West Point Foundry?

5. What’s the name of the cannon produced at West Point Foundry that’s credited with helping to win the Civil War?

6. What’s the name of the mountain range surrounding Cold Spring?

7. What natural feature provided power for West Point Foundry’s machines?

8. What’s the name of the foundry building where holes were drilled into cannons?

9. What other products were produced at the foundry?

10. What type of contamination from the adjacent battery factory was cleaned up in Foundry Cove Marsh?

Tell us your stories!
Scenic Hudson’s goal is to connect people to the Hudson Valley’s natural treasures. We hope you enjoy your trip to West Point Foundry Preserve and Foundry Dock Park. Please send us stories and pictures from your explorations. Share them with us on Facebook or e-mail them to kbrill@scenichudson.org.

Who’s Scenic Hudson?
We’re a group of dedicated people who care about the Hudson River Valley. Starting in 1963, our founders fought to stop a power plant from destroying a mountain. Since then Scenic Hudson has continued protecting special places like West Point Foundry Preserve and Foundry Dock Park. Now we’re focused on Saving the Land That Matters Most—working with communities and other partners to preserve lands of the highest scenic, ecological and agricultural significance.

For more information about the 60-plus parks we’ve created or enhanced, visit www.scenichudson.org/parks.