Washington D.C. Trip

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National Air and Space Museum

What: Boeing-Vertol CH-46E Sea Knight. The U.S. Marine Corp’s primary assault helicopter in over four decades of active service.

Learned: Maintains the largest collection of historic air and spacecraft in the world.

Monument or artifact: Artifact

What was interesting/unique: All of the air/spacecraft on display were actually flown or were used as backup vehicles.
Lincoln Memorial

What: Lincoln Monument

Learned: It has three of his famous speeches on both sides of the memorial.

Monument or artifact: Monument

What was interesting/unique: Lincoln’s son lived to see the unveiling of the monument
World War II Memorial

What: One of the entrances at the memorial

Learned: It was the first national memorial made to remember WWII

Monument or artifact: Monument

What was interesting/unique: It took two and a half years to build
Reflecting Pool

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**What:** Reflecting pool

**Learned:** It is 18 inches deep

**Monument or artifact:** Monument

**What was interesting/unique:** On one end you could see the Washington Monument reflecting and from the other side you could see the Lincoln Memorial reflecting
Jefferson Memorial

What: The Jefferson Memorial (Bottom picture)

Learned: The bronze statue inside is 19 feet tall and weighs 10,000 pounds

Monument or artifact: Monument

What was interesting/unique: It was originally a memorial for Theodore Roosevelt
White House

**What:** The White House

**Learned:** The street was closed off to cars

**Monument or artifact:** Monument

**What was interesting/unique:** There was another gate blocking to first fence due to the recent “break-ins”
Air Force Memorial

What: Reflective “airmen” (10 feet tall statues)

Learned: The spires represent the true flight and flying spirit

Monument or artifact: Memorial

What was interesting/unique: The three spires signify the three core values of the Air Force
Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial

**What:** Statue of FDR in a wheelchair

**Learned:** FDR didn’t want people to know that he was in a wheelchair

**Monument or artifact:** Monument

**What was interesting/unique:** He would be the first in and last out of a meeting since he didn’t want people to know of his wheelchair/condition
Capital Building

What: Capital building

Learned: The statue at the top of the dome is the Statue of Freedom. There are two sides, the Senate side and the House of Representatives side.

Monument or artifact: Monument

What was interesting/unique: If the flag was up, that would mean they were in session.