Parthenon to Portico Quiz
Multiple Choice

Dumbarton House is how old?

- More than 200 years old
- More than 500 years old
- 50 years old
- 1000 years old
Dumbarton House was built in 1799, which makes it more than 200 years old!

Calculate how old Dumbarton House is by doing this equation:

This year - 1799 = ?

For example, 2020 - 1799 = 221!

More than 200 years old

More than 500 years old

50 years old

1000 years old
Fill in the Blanks

The style of architecture used 200 years ago in the new United States is called...
The "Federal Period" lasted from 1780-1830, which includes the first years of the United States as a new nation!

Federal Style Architecture
Short Answer

Name four examples of Federal style architectural features*

*An architectural feature is a part of a building
Short Answer

Here are examples of four architectural features you could have listed!

Federal Style architecture borrows designs from Classical Greece and Rome!

Can you draw examples of what these look like?

- Arched windows
- Columns
- Symmetry
- Classical Roman details
True / False

This type of column is called "Corinthian."
True / False

Which is your favorite?

The three types of columns are each fancier than the next!
Early Americans did not like the religion of Ancient Greece and Rome, so they only borrowed elements of style and nothing from Greek or Roman religion.
Early Americans like Ancient Greek and Roman myths and used their gods and goddesses in many of their paintings and other decorations! For example, the golden eagle is the symbol of Zeus, and so early Americans chose to use the eagle to symbolize America because it represented the most powerful of the Greek gods!
The United States looked to Classical Greece as a model because Greece was a democracy. What does democracy mean?

- Rule by the people
- Rule by a king
- Rule by a group
- No authority
Multiple Choice

The United States is a "representative democracy," meaning the people vote for representatives who vote for them (our Congressional representatives!)

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That's an oligarchy
That's anarchy
That's a monarchy
Do you recognize this building? It uses Federal Style architecture like Dumbarton House does.

Hint: This building is in Washington, DC!
Government buildings use the Federal Style of architecture to show that they are places where work of national importance takes place.

Columns are a symbol of the government and political action here in the US! You can see them on many buildings owned by the government, such as libraries and public schools.

If you designed a building, what would it look like?
Thank you for playing!

We hope you had fun and learned a lot!