

GRADE K-2 LITERACY ACTIVITY: THE GATEWAY ARCH

The Gateway

In the city of Saint Louis, Missouri, there is a giant silver rainbow. It reaches up into the clouds. This is the **Gateway Arch**. It was built to remember the brave people who traveled West a long time ago to start a new life. The Arch is a shiny gateway that welcomes everyone!

A Trip to the Top

- **The Ride:** You can ride a tiny car inside the Arch. It feels like an elevator and a train mixed together!
- **The View:** When you reach the top, you can look out of small windows and see the big river and city below.
- **The Shiny Metal:** The Arch is made of stainless steel. It stays bright and shiny even in the rain or snow.

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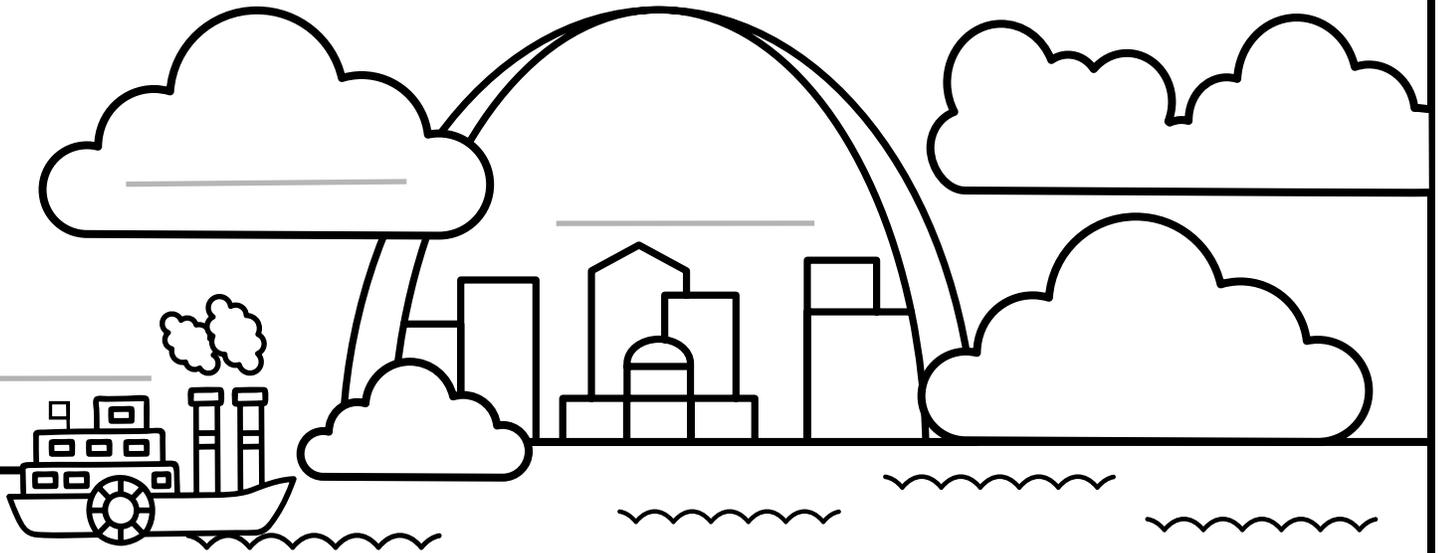
Postcard from the Gateway Arch!

“Today, we are going to send a postcard from a famous place!”

- **Color the Picture**
- **Label the Picture** (*Examples: Clouds, City, Boat*)
- **Finish the Sentence:** “I see the big, shiny Arch! It is so high that...”

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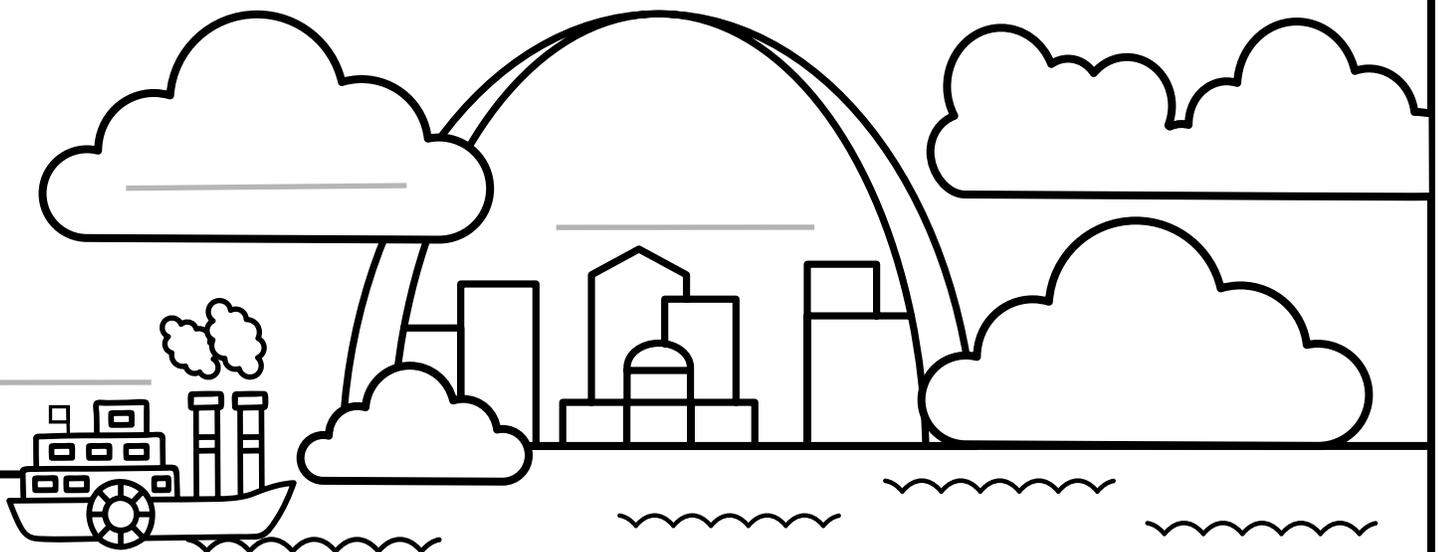
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GRADE K-2 LITERACY ACTIVITY: THE LIBERTY BELL

The Liberty Bell

In the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, there is a very famous bell. It has a giant crack right down the side! A long time ago, it rang out to celebrate our country becoming free. The Liberty Bell reminds us that even things that aren't perfect can be special. It is a symbol of being brave and free.

Why Is It Cracked?

- **The Metal:** The bell was made of metal that was too stiff and hard. When it rang, it cracked!
- **The Message:** The word "Liberty" is written right on the metal. Liberty is another word for freedom.
- **The Silence:** Today, the bell no longer rings, so the crack does not get any bigger.

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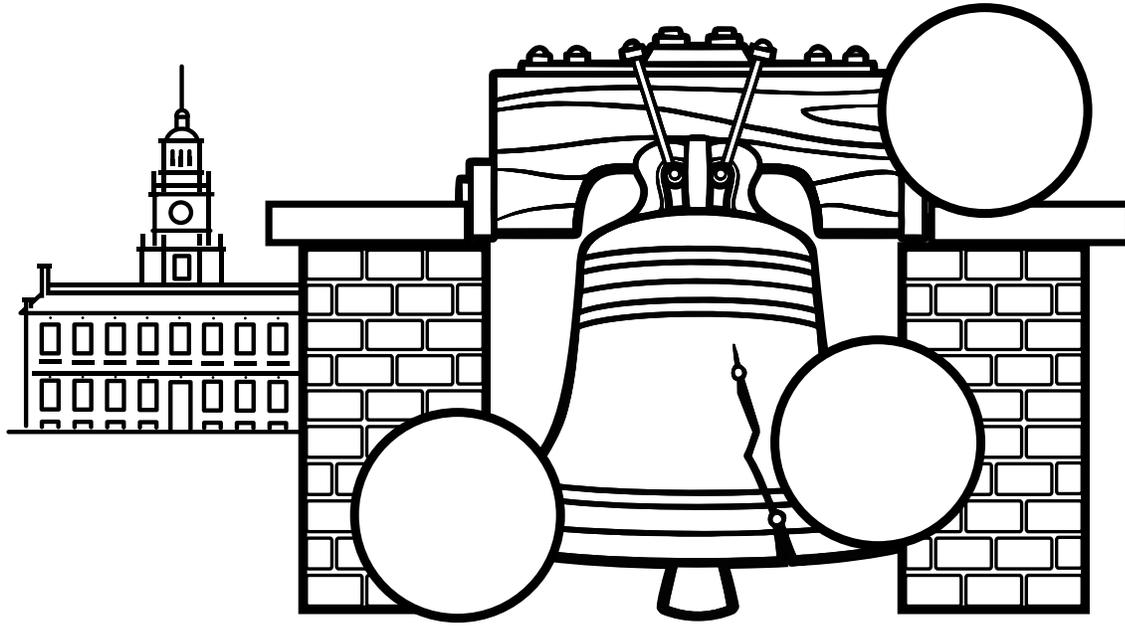
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- **Color the Picture**
- **Label the Picture** (*Examples: Crack, Bell, Wood*)
- **Finish the Sentence:** "I see the famous Liberty Bell! It is special because..."

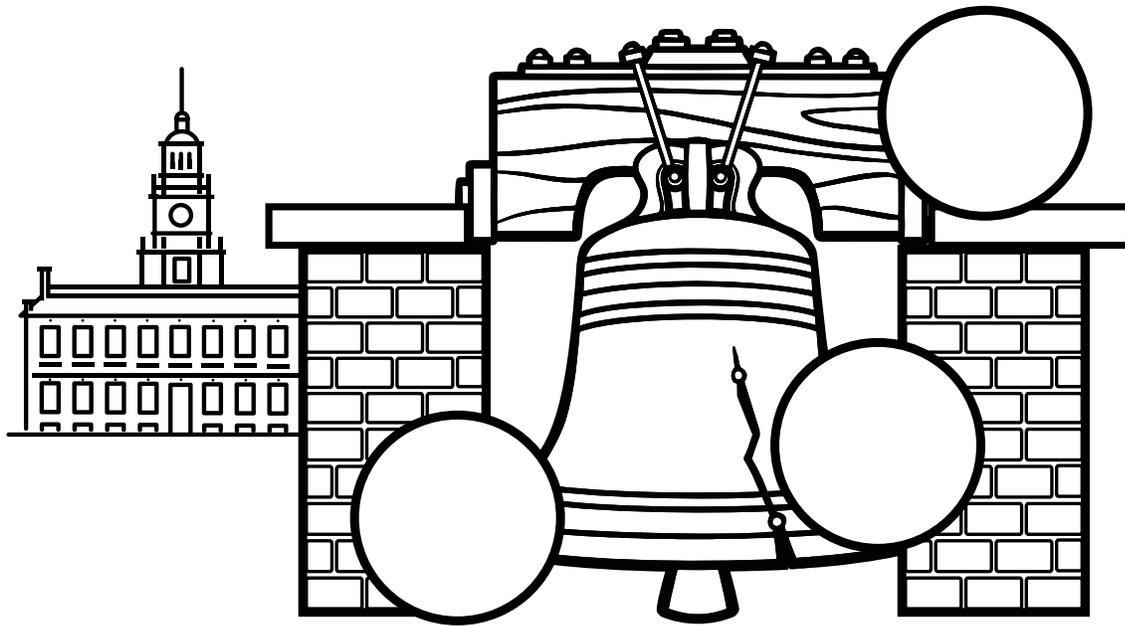
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