

Watkins Woolen Mill State Park and State Historic Site
Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Museum Scavenger Hunt
(Group B)

Name _____

See how many questions you can answer by walking around the museum. You may start at any point in the museum.

The Woolen Mill

☞ What year did the mill open? _____

☞ Name six fabrics that were produced at the mill.

1. _____

4. _____

2. _____

5. _____

3. _____

6. _____

☞ Name three **products** that were produced in the mill.

1. _____

3. _____

2. _____

☞ Write the wages paid daily to the following workers at Watkins Mill.

Superintendent: _____ Fuller: _____

Fireman: _____ Runner Boy: _____

Weaver: _____

☞ What does putting a twist in a belt do? _____

☞ The power source in the engine shed is called what?

☞ Waltus Watkins died in 1884. What is believed to have been the cause of his death?

☞ What year did John Watkins close the mill? _____

☞ How many years ago did the mill close? _____

☞ Missouri became the 24th state. What year was it admitted as a new state?

☞ Where and when was the first textile factory in America built?

☞ How much did cotton cloth cost per yard in 1860? _____

☞ Find the display that tells about the Watkins Mill Association. What are the names of the men that saved the mill?

1. _____ 3. _____
2. _____

☞ True or False: mark the following questions T for True or F for False.

- _____ The first textile factory was built by Samuel Morse.
_____ The earliest powered mills usually performed only one or two functions, which were usually carding and weaving.
_____ The gristmill was invented by the Romans.
_____ The mill was a quiet place to work.
_____ The mill building resembles the structure of those built in the 1930s and 1940s.
_____ The gristmill stopped operating in 1905.
_____ The mill operated 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.
_____ Blankets were sold in pairs. The customer cut them apart and hemmed them themselves.
_____ The mill business declined because all the sheep died off.

☞ Why is Watkins Woolen Mill State Historic Site important?

