

***Give me your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed, to me: I lift my lamp beside the golden door. " (Emma Lazarus)***

The Statue of Liberty is a huge sculpture that is located on Liberty Island in [New York Harbor](#). This monument was a gift to the USA from the people of France in recognition of the French-American alliance during the American Revolution.

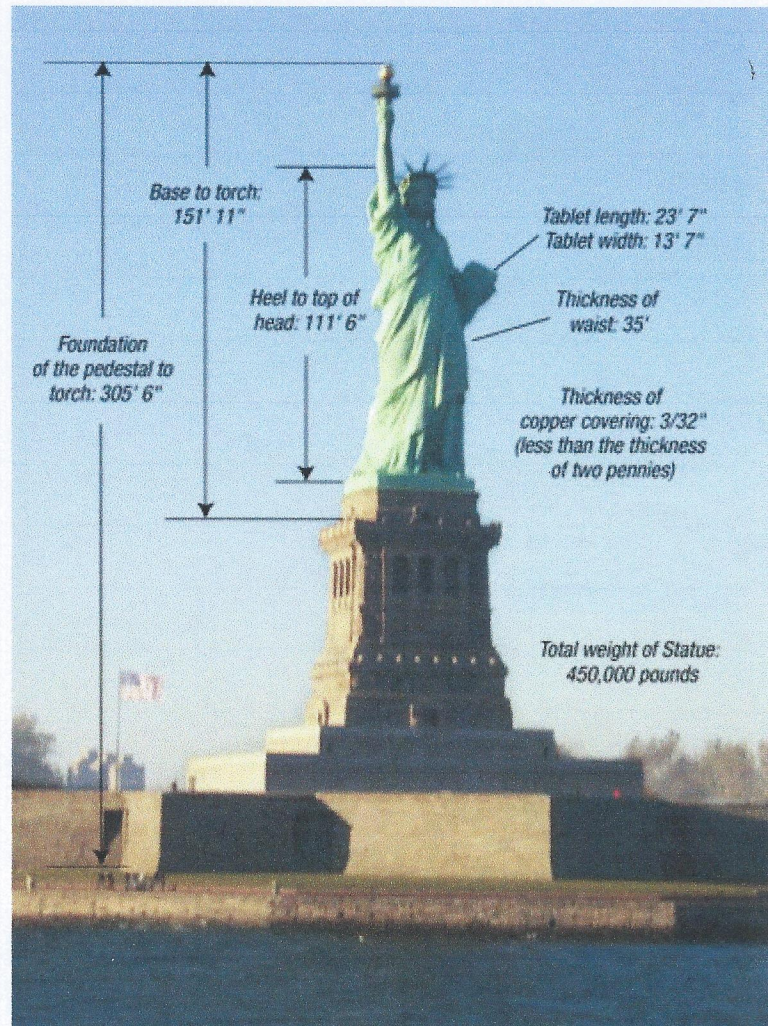
The formal name of the statue is "Liberty Enlightening the World." It pictures a woman who has escaping the chains of tyranny (the broken chains lay at her feet). Liberty's right hand holds a torch that is a symbol of liberty.

Liberty was designed by the French sculptor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi. The hollow copper statue was built in France - it was finished in July, 1884. It was brought to the USA in 350 pieces on a French ship called the "Isere" (in June, 1885). The statue was re-assembled in the USA and was completed on October 28, 1886.

There are 354 steps inside the statue and its pedestal. There are 25 viewing windows in the crown. The seven rays of Liberty's crown symbolize the seven seas and seven continents of the world. Liberty holds a tablet in her left hand that reads "July 4, 1776" (in Roman numerals), [Independence Day](#) of the United States of America.

If you have ever visited the Statue of Liberty in person, you already know she's an imposing figure, but consider the following fun facts:

- Official dedication ceremonies held on Thursday, October 28, 1886
- Total overall height from the base of the pedestal foundation to the tip of the torch is 305 feet, 6 inches
- Height of the Statue from her heel to the top of her head is 111 feet, 6 inches
- The face on the Statue of Liberty measures more than 8 feet tall
- There are 154 steps from the pedestal to the head of the Statue of Liberty



## How much do you know about the Statue of Liberty?

Indicate True or False:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ In strong winds the torch can sway up to five inches.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ There are seven rays on the statue's crown.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ The statue was a gift from France.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ The statue was assembled from 350 separate pieces.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ The statue's mouth is 3 feet wide.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Her nose is 4 1/2 feet long.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ The American Museum of Immigration is located in the base of statue.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ The Statue of Liberty is both a National Monument and a World Heritage Site.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ The Statue of Liberty is not really named the Statue of Liberty.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ The statue is made of copper.

Bonus: The Statue of Liberty is considered to be a work of art by most people. Do you think it is SCULPTURAL or ARCHITECTUAL? Why?