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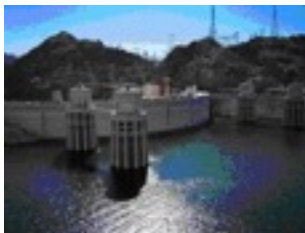
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The Gateway Arch is the “gateway” to Saint Louis, Missouri. The Arch is a feature of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial Park, and standing at 630 ft., is the nation’s tallest memorial. The stainless steel structure took four years to construct and was dedicated in 1966. Now, millions of visitors take a tram from one leg of the Arch to the top to get a glimpse of bustling St. Louis.

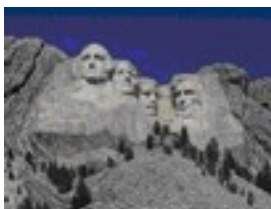


Aswan High Dam is located Egypt. The Dam controls the world’s longest river, the Nile, and created a water reservoir- known today as Lake Nasser, capable of storing water to prevent famine during severe droughts. Construction of the Dam began in 1960 and finished in 1970.



Hoover Dam, also known as Boulder Dam, is located in the Black Canyon of the Colorado River. The Dam was named after former Secretary of Commerce and U.S. President Herbert Hoover, who played an instrumental role in its construction.

Construction ran from 1931-36, finishing over two years ahead of schedule. In 1981 Hoover Dam was listed on the National Register of Historic Places and became a National Historic Landmark in 1985.



Mount Rushmore National Memorial is located near Keystone, South Dakota. With 60ft sculptures of former U.S. Presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln, Mt. Rushmore is the world’s largest piece of sculpture. Completed in 1941, the sculpture covers 1,278 acres, is 5,725 feet above sea level, and took 14 years to complete.



The Petronas Towers, also known as the Petronas Twin Towers, are located in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Completed in 1996 with 88 stories and an additional 1483 ft. tall spire, the Towers once held the title for “world's tallest buildings,” but must now be satisfied with the title of “world’s tallest twin towers.” The Towers are linked by a sky bridge at the 41st floor, creating a dramatic gateway to the city.



The Clock Tower, known around the world as Big Ben, is located next to the Houses of Parliament in Westminster, London. One of London’s best-known landmarks, Big Ben, named after the first commissioner of works, Sir Benjamin Hall, is not the tower itself, but the 13 ton bell within the 316 ft. clock tower. The bell was first cast April 10, 1858.



The Eiffel Tower is located beside the River Seine in Paris, France. At 1000 ft. tall (81 stories), the iron tower is the tallest structure in Paris and second tallest structure in France. Named after its designer, Gustave Eiffel, the 7,000 ton tower took two years to build and was inaugurated March 31, 1889.