



The Smithsonian Institution

Why is the Smithsonian Institution such a wonderful gift to the American people?

Evaluate

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What are some details from the text that support the idea that the Smithsonian Institution is the “Nation’s Attic”?

Main Idea and Details

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Why do you think millions of people continue to visit the Smithsonian Institution?

Analyze

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Why did James Smithson want to leave his collection to the American people?

Cause and Effect

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What is the author’s purpose for writing *The Smithsonian Institution*?

How do you know?

Author’s Purpose

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Why do you think James Smithson donated his collection to the United States even though he had never been in the country before?

Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

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