

Riverside, the Farnsley-Moremen Landing History Quest

Use the information on our website and the virtual tour of our grounds to answer the following questions.

1. Who were the first people to use the land at Riverside and how long did they use the site?

Native Americans were the first people to use the land and they came here for almost 10,000 years

2. There are many reasons why people would want to live here. Name **two** reasons the owners of the property (first Farnsley & later the Moremen family) would want to live at Riverside.

a. Fertile land to grow crops

b. Water for plants, animals and people

c. Could sell their crops to the riverboats

d. Could send crops down the river to get the best price

Can you think of any other reasons people would want to live here?

3. Who made the approximately 300,000 bricks used to build the house?

Hint: They are the same people responsible for making the farm prosperous and successful.

The enslaved people. There were as many as 23 people enslaved people at Riverside between 1820-1865.

4. Which building now on the landscape was reconstructed based on archaeological research?

The Kitchen (the first kitchen, there were at least three)

5. List **at least** three buildings, that are no longer standing, but we know used to be here because of historical and archaeological research.

Smoke House

Ice House

Wash House

Barn

6. Archaeologists dig in the ground to find artifacts that they use to learn about the past. An artifact is anything made or used by _____.

a. Animals

b. Plants

c. People

d. Aliens

7. An important artifact was found during the restoration of the Farnsley-Moremen house. What was it? **Hint:** it was part of the structure.

The brick signed by Gabriel Farnsley.

8. When was the house built and who was responsible for having it constructed?

Gabriel Farnsley had the house built; it was finished in 1837.

9. What is the largest artifact we have at Riverside?

The House

10. How long did the Moremen family own the house?

127 years