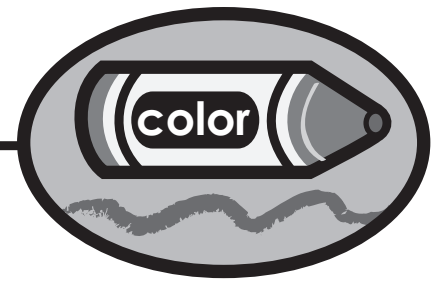




National Symbols: Statue of Liberty



The Statue of Liberty stands on Liberty Island in New York Harbor. She was a gift to the United States from the people of France on July 4, 1884.

The robed figure represents Libertas, the Roman goddess of freedom.

The seven spikes represent the seven continents and oceans. The broken chain at her feet represent the end of slavery.

The statue stands on a pedestal and reaches 305 feet into the air. She was made with

an iron frame and covered with

pure copper. Her blue-green color is due to age and

exposure to water. Her torch

was once used as a lighthouse, but will always be the light of freedom and the path to Liberty.

