The First Peoples: 13,000 BC–AD 1518
What is this object and where did its material originate? What can you infer about the lives of the earliest Mississippian from this information?

The World Remade: 1866–1902
Who invented this patent model? How does it illuminate the changing economy of Mississippi during the Reconstruction era?

Bridging Hardship: 1928–1945
Where was this parachute made? How does its creation demonstrate Mississippi’s transformation during World War II?

A Tremor in the Iceberg
This chess set represents resistance to a system that disenfranchised African Americans. What other examples of resistance can you find in this gallery?

I Question America
What two major efforts were organized by Mississippians in 1964? What impact did they have on the landscape for voting and representation in the United States?

Black Empowerment
With voting rights secure, other causes demanded attention. What were some of these issues and how were they addressed by activism moving into the 1970s?