

## **Armchair Treasure Hunt - £600 in prizes**

In a wood in Southern England we have concealed a small box. Your task is to find it, using some elementary knowledge to solve the clues to its precise location that are hidden in the questions and puzzles on these pages. These include an imaginary tour of the country which you should be able to follow with a map and a little bit of general knowledge.

When you have the answers to the questions you may find you can make a sentence by rearranging the initial letters (use surnames where appropriate). It is no secret that some of the clues are red herrings. You will need patience and a sense of adventure to discover what is relevant and what is not.

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

£200 - first finder of the treasure box

£150 - best overall solution to the puzzle

£50 - second team to the treasure

£50 - second best overall solution

£25 - best entry by an ATH virgin

£25 - Famous Five Favourite entry

£10 - to each of the first 10 entries drawn from a hat, with at least 20 correct answers

No team can win more than one prize and each team must have a Logica captain. You are an ATH virgin if this is the first year you have submitted an entry (mark your entry appropriately).

Your entry must reach Brian Mills by 12<sup>th</sup> January 1999. Any legible format of entry is acceptable -

- Email to *millsb@logica.com*,
- by post

• or by internal mail C/O Cathy Blott, CP/G.

Points are scored for finding the treasure, answering the questions and for solving the puzzles. The scoring system awards more points to the harder questions. Spotting connections and links may also gain you points. Where you find an answer that is different to ours you may still score but only if you justify your answer - so put more in your entry rather than less.

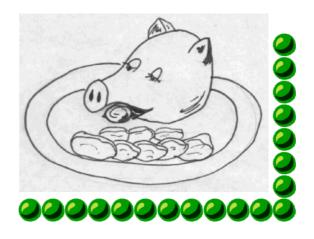
If no one finds the treasure supplementary clues will be issued, but only to those who have submitted an entry.

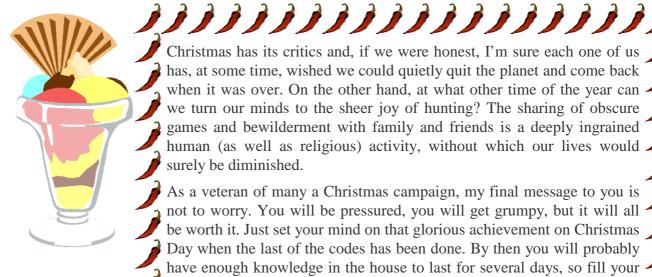
If you reach the treasure site and the box is missing, please try to contact Brian - it is possible the treasure may have been found by someone unconnected with the treasure hunt.

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A copy of this document can be found on the Armchair Treasure Hunt web site: http://public.logica.com/~ath.

The Famous Five.





Christmas has its critics and, if we were honest, I'm sure each one of us has, at some time, wished we could quietly quit the planet and come back when it was over. On the other hand, at what other time of the year can we turn our minds to the sheer joy of hunting? The sharing of obscure games and bewilderment with family and friends is a deeply ingrained human (as well as religious) activity, without which our lives would surely be diminished.

As a veteran of many a Christmas campaign, my final message to you is not to worry. You will be pressured, you will get grumpy, but it will all be worth it. Just set your mind on that glorious achievement on Christmas Day when the last of the codes has been done. By then you will probably have enough knowledge in the house to last for several days, so fill your glass, put your feet up and forget all about it for another year.

- A. My house lies on a main road between two bus stops. One is 90m away to the left and the other 270m away to the right. My fare to work is 70p from the stop to the left, or 60p from the stop to the right. The buses travel from left to right, appearing over a hill 90m from the left bus stop, and disappearing round a corner after the second bus stop. The buses travel at 15m/s and wait 3 seconds at each stop. I walk at 2m/s and run at 6m/s when I see a bus. If I see a bus, but miss it, I must go by taxi, costing £2. When I come out of my house one morning there are no buses in sight, and I reckon that it does not matter which bus stop I go to. How frequent are the buses?
- D. What is next in the sequence 53, 68, 85, ...?
- Which Sonnet gave the titles to novels by HE Bates & John Mortimer? E.
- What is next in the sequence 18, 46, 94, 63, 52, ...? F.
- I am shipwrecked in calm tideless sea and swim towards the shore. After I have been going for an hour, I pass a buoy 1 mile from the shore, and I am swimming at 1 mile per hour. However, at this point I begin to tire and my speed becomes inversely proportional to the time I have been swimming. How long in total does it take me to reach the shore?

- O. What comes next: 30, 42, 54, 66, 78, 90, 144, 259, ...?
- S. I thought we'd done well to bowl them out for less than 140, but then our specialist batsmen only scored in inverse proportion to their number in the order (although not ducks); our 4 bowlers scored in inverse proportion to the wickets they took, and had batting scores the same as their bowling averages. If only our Number 1 batsman had scored as much as our top-scoring bowler it would have been a tie. There were no run-outs or extras; how many did the wicket-keeper score?
- T. What is the shortest distance by boat from Copenhagen to Piraeus?
- U. What comes next: 273, 325, 459, 918, 1157, ...?
- V. Which two numbers are next in sequence (1,2), (6,5), (8,3), (12,5), ...?
- Y. What was the largest known prime number before the largest known prime number was discovered?



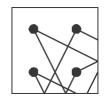
Start where MQoS met her end and head for the nearest city. Take the train until three months hence, then south-east to the Wake's stronghold. Continue south to a clerical crossing, then follow the dirty Roman road to where the grass has been cut, turn right, cross two railways, left at the roundabout and stop at the station.

Where are you?

### 3, 16, 13

What is required for chutnification? Raw materials, obviously - fruit, vegetables, fish, vinegar, spices. Daily visits from Koli women with their saris hitched up between their legs. Cucumbers aubergines mint. But also: eyes, blue as ice, which are undeceived by the superficial blandishment of fruit - which can see corruption beneath citrus-skin; fingers which, with featheriest touch, can probe the secret inconstant hearts of green tomatoes: and above all, a nose capable of discerning the hidden languages of what-must-be-pickled.......

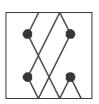




- 1. Which is the odd one out: Corset, H. Berry, Mrs Stay, Mrs Sattin, Sent Gas, Tad Silk?
- 2. Which of Riemann's works did Einstein edit in 1919?
- 3. Who was shot within hours of being appointed to the top job in his profession?
- 4. If you take away the title of a Finn Brothers song, remove directions and ignore the companion of the Beast, you will find that which is sought after what?
- 5. If you have Cheerios and an Egg McMuffin for breakfast, what coffee would you drink?
- 6. Which group had a 1998 hit about the winner of a 1997 MTV award?
- 7. What is the odd one out: beets carrots celery lettuce parsley spinach turnips watercress?
- 8. What are Butch and Sundance better known as?

Peach Sooner Beaver First Pelican Beehive Golden Blue Grass





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Go to the nearest airport, fly on bearing 018 for 70NM. Head south-west to a town with a priory founded in 1103. Ask Sellars and Yeatman the way and stop at the end of the road.

Where are you?

5, 13, 17

"Joe! Joe!" (Sundry taps on the head with a stick, and the fat boy, with some difficulty, roused from his lethargy.)
"Come, hand in the eatables."

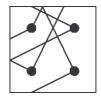
There was something in the sound of the last word which roused the unctuous boy. He jumped up: and the leaden eyes, which twinkled behind his mountainous cheeks, leered horribly upon the food as he unpacked it from the basket.

"Now make haste," said Mr Wardle; for the fat boy was hanging fondly over a capon, which he seemed wholly unable to part with. The boy sighed deeply, and bestowing an ardent gaze upon its plumpness, unwillingly consigned it to his master.





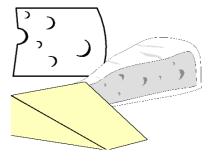
- 9. If Regent = 734 and Tudor = 883 then what is 467?
- 10. Which company incorrectly brought flowers to Glastonbury in 1998?
- 11. Ponto is to Jim as Wallace is to?
- 12. Which book had 60 pages inserted by the author *invita Minerva*?
- 13. Which cockney lives in SW19?
- 14. Where did a 41-year-old Wiltshire businessman achieve a first on 13th May 1998?
- 15. Who was felled by a pork pie that had passed its sell-by date?
- 16. What connects the Queen of Spain and a snakes head?

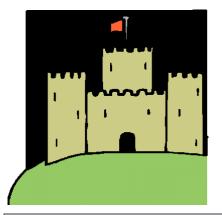


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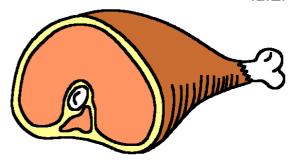


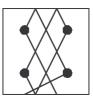
Head east to a gross road then follow it to its root. Take this road across the twisted Dale river and continue to the oldest town in England. Catch a train to the city. Circle anticlockwise briefly then north to the deepest point.

Where are you? (You may need to deny it



You should've seen the steaks. They were these little hard, dry jobs that you could hardly even cut. You always got these very lumpy mashed potatoes on steak night, and for dessert you got Brown Betty, which nobody ate, except maybe the little kids in the lower school that didn't know any better - and guys like Ackley that ate everything.





- 17. What form of transport did Bill, Jan, Peter, Peter, Daniel, Harry and Tom request?
- 18. Which famous household name firm was established by brothers Alfred & George in 1898?
- 19. In which book does the heroine dress up as a joint of meat?
- 20. Who was swallowed by a red herring?
- 21. What is the longest month of the year?
- 22. What would you have if you had plucked the moon from the bottom of the sea?
- 23. What comes next green circle, brown diamond, purple square?
- 24. What is four fifths of the second element?



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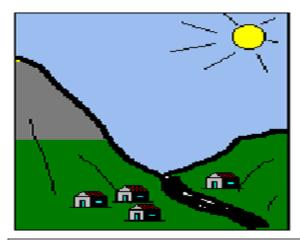
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$$P(4) = 7$$



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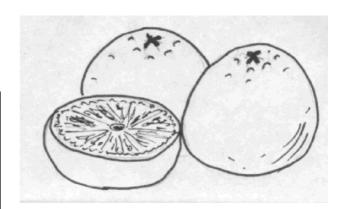


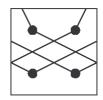
Continue on to the end of the line, then continue out along the eponymous way. Follow the canal to the castle.

Where are you?



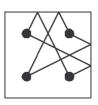
"My dears, you'll never guess, it's too glamorous for words, Juan is a cook, he was the cook, I gather, of some cardinal before the Civil War. You don't mind, I hope, Sadie. I look upon this as an absolute lifeline - Spanish food, so delicious, so unconstipating, so digestible, so full of glorious garlic. Oh the joy, no more poison-burger - how soon can we get rid of Mrs Beecher?"





- 25. When are 2, 57 and 111 proper in the morning?
- 26. Who failed in classics at Oxford and went on to become Professor of Latin at Cambridge?
- 27. Which local party official carried out the order to destroy the last house of the Romanovs?
- 28. What diet did a so-called slob go on, subsequently winning a prize?
- 29. Where did the demise of a politician result in scenes of drunken revelry?
- 30. When Dougal set out from the station on 21st March 1961, what was the highest point he reached?
- 31. When might you rush, split and take off?

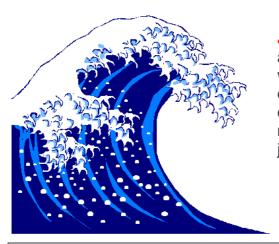
32. Tony Elvers made a sharp exit from his accommodation in 1994; where had he been living?



Again brave deeds surround head of house to give confusion.

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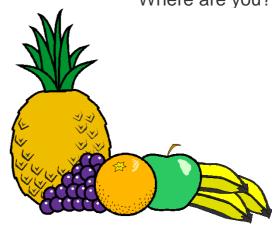


Cross the common, pass the zoo on the downs and Lorraine Chase's origins. Continue through a place where you might take a blow on the jaw, and go onwards in the same direction until you find an example of Anglo-French co-operation, noting that Frank is nearby. Go up the motorway, turn right at the last junction and right again before the river.

Where are you?

19,9

You know, the way love can change a fellow is really frightful to contemplate. This chappie before me, who spoke in that absolutely careless way of macaroons and limado, was the same man I had seen in happier days telling the head-waiter in Claridge's exactly how he wanted the *chef* to prepare the *sole frite au gourmet aux champignons*, and saying he would jolly well sling it back if it wasn't right. Ghastly! Ghastly!





- 33. Who had a pet guinea pig called Peanuts?
- 34. For what did a collector pay 1000 pounds of cheese, four oxen, 8 pigs in 1634?
- 35. What runs in the veins of the gods?
- 36. Who's missing: Big, Little, Eat, No?
- 37. What connects: Man in the Moon, Adam and Eve, St Peter Mancroft?
- 38. Who has his clothes changed royally three times a year?
- 39. What comes before Bad Hare Day, Egg Monsters from Mars, the Beast from the East?



40. Which piece of music will no longer be a screen perennial?





Head to OC's first constituency, turn right and bypass a cheesy place. Keep going till you meet OC again then go downstream to a place that might remind you of Lord and Lady Howe. Visit the disused airfield a few miles to the north-east.

Where are you?

17, 5, 14, 16

After distributing the eight ice creams - they were the largest vanilla, chocolate and raspberry super-bumpers, each in yellow, brown and almost purple stripes - (he) climbed up into the cab of the gentian blue, home-painted thirty-hundredweight truck, laughing happily.



- 41. Which painting has a skeletal trompe d'oeil?
- 42. What follows Bunker Hill and Waterloo?
- 43. The Doctor lives with Chris, the Elephant Keeper. Robin lives with the oldest. Olive's son has a perfect age, and is not the youngest. The Architect and Lee have been married for 10 years. Andy's other half is the youngest. The Lawyer has taken 8 years to come to terms with the fact that his son is gay. The Inspector's ex-husband was older than her but he has now gone for an even younger woman in her thirties. Who is Olive's son?

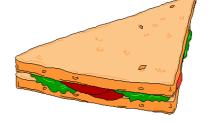


- 44. What connects Zemmery Fidd, St-Vaast & Loch Fyne?
- 45. Who at the age of 50 was made Mayor of Blackpool?
- 46. Which Turkish dish describes a clerical lapse?
- 47. Who said "I once had a rose named after me and I was very flattered, but I was not pleased to read the description in the catalogue: not good in a bed, but fine up against a wall"?
- 48. Which is the odd one out and why: Sum Imp Carapace Traveller Firth?

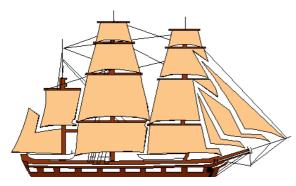




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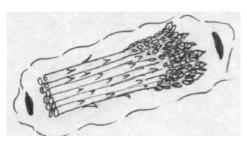






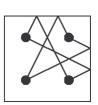
Go back across the river and pass the toffees. Cross the lazy river and turn right twice in the next town, then follow this road, crossing motorways five times until you come to a former ferry crossing. Turn right onto a B-road and go east until you cross the railway. Pull your finger out at this point.

Where are you?





- 49. Bonnie was born in 1998 who was her mother?
- 50. Of whom did Alan Bennett say "could never have written as he did had he lived in a house put him in a nice detached villa and he'd never have written a word"?
- 51. Who can't make today's lunch appointment?
- 52. Which is the longest freshwater loch in Scotland?
- 53. Who sucks up to Rupert, patronises Clive and bullies Penny?
- 54. What was offered for sale (& sold) for \$250,000 in June 1954 in the Wall Street Journal?
- 55. What comes next D, F, GB, H,?
- 56. Who won the Whitbread one year and the next cleared himself of implication in his wife's death?



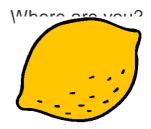




Follow the nearest motorway to junction 10. Join the intersecting road and take it to its further end. Increase road number and continue until this one ends too. Cross a bridge opened in 1964, go on until you reach a money-spinning river, and then upstream to the valley of the tower. Head north across the nutty river and keep on the same road until you reach a place where some unusual transport once allegedly happened.

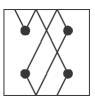
2, 6, 7, 8

Ravenous, and now very faint, I devoured a spoonful or two of my portion without thinking of its taste; but the first edge of hunger blunted, I perceived I had got in hand a nauseous mess: burnt porridge is almost as bad as rotten potatoes. The spoons moved slowly: I saw each girl taste her food and try to swallow it; but in most cases the effort was soon relinquished. Breakfast was over, and none had breakfasted.





- 57. Who was persuaded by his sister to kill his mother who had killed his father who had gone off with his uncle to bring back his aunt?
- 58. Who is missing: St Teresa, St Ignatius, St Settlement?
- 59. Which poem inspired Rodin's Thinker?
- 60. What was named after Snotinghas?
- 61. In which establishment was Bell's Bunker?
- 62. What is next in the sequence 10, V, D .....?
- 63. For what purpose does IB have an M?
- 64. Who issued a code of laws that made nearly every offence punishable by death?



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Princess Anne Tosca Hunter





Take the train north to the boat. Go downstream, passing a place that might be considered a refusal. Turn right at the major road intersection and continue to the home of the green triangles. Head on past a Welsh town then left at the next T-junction. Follow this road to the birch reader, turn left, left again, pass a school and stop at the next town.

Where are you?

#### What connects: ...

- α. Clint Eastwood, Chic Young, Penny Singleton
- β. Surrender, Dutch, Pawnbroker
- y. Bismarck, Finisterre, Weyland
- δ. Penelope Keith, Toyah Wilcox, Eric Sykes
- ε. Pan, Chymistry, Scarf
- ζ. Dumbarton, Tavener, Epsom
- η. Ant, Kitten, Robin
- θ. Jessye Norman, Betty Boothroyd, Germaine Greer
- t. Aristotle, Rosicrucians, International Date Line
- κ. Matthew Calbraith Perry, Emma Goldman, Georges Seurat
- λ. Swing, Rubber, Roll
- μ. Frank Sinatra, Winston Smith, Simon Crowe
- v. Mouth of the River, Hollow of the Mill, Little Height
- ξ. Michelle de Bruin, Tour de France, Messiah
- o. Richard II, Canute, Edward the Confessor



