

# Amnesia A Treasure Hunt Solution Guide







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### The Prizes

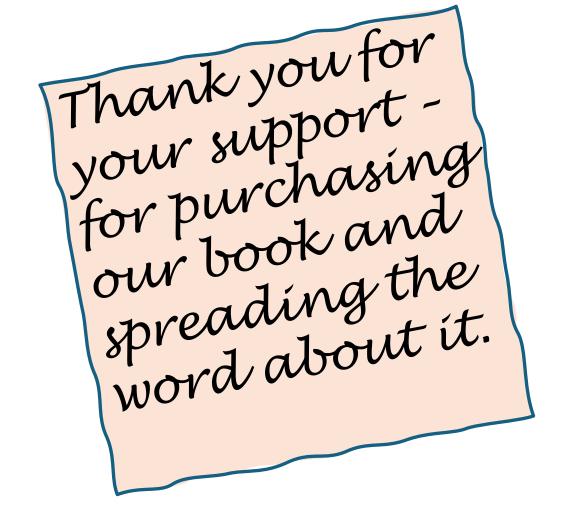
valued over \$1,000

- Mesoamerican History book
- 4 troy ounces of silver, including an engraved Winner's coin
- 5 troy oz Copper coin
- 50 troy ounces in copper coins
- 1833 Liberty Nickel
- Hand made jewelry
- And more!!



# Thank you!!

- Treasure Hunt With Us
- Mysterious Writings
- Froggy
- Cowlazars
- Our friends and family
- You!!!



### **Amnesia**

- A journey of discovery.
- Some of the prizes were also a reflection of the theme
  - Aztec calendar images on coins
  - Mesoamerican History book
  - Elephant necklace and pouch
  - Handmade turtle cuff

### Overall structure

- Two channels to solve
   PLUS a final meta puzzle to
   solve her name and the
   meeting spot
  - Some of the information and instructions were revealed in the final stages (Aztec manuscript puzzle) to minimize brute forcing attempts

### Please see the Rules section at the end of Part 1 for all terms & conditions related to the hunt.

Here are a few important highlights:



#### Register for the hunt:

QuillCompassAdventures@gmail.com

(Limit one email address per book purchase.)



#### Check Instagram for updates:

@QuillCompassPuzzleAdventures



#### Submit your solution to:

QuillCompassAdventures@gmail.com

(Limit one solution submission email per person or team every 24 hours.)



#### Include in your submission:

A brief explanation of your answers



Grizabella sings "Memory" in the musical Cats; "M" was in Broadway font



Absent minded Horton; "H" is in Disney-esque style font

## **Easter Eggs!!**

Podcast: Michael NOGERO = OREGON

Back of the book poem was an acrostic for MEMORY

Front of Book: TinyURL -AmnesiaSFLTPodcast Prologue acrostic, 1<sup>st</sup>
paragraph =
ORTELIUS
(cartographer)

## 1<sup>st</sup> channel

Did you notice the glyphs on some of the diary pages?



Solve each Day's entry that was marked with this symbol by finding the city she was traveling to

The first letters of each city name revealed the solution:

**A Rugged Coast** 

A – Aurora, NC

R - Ravenswood, WV

U - Union, KY

G - Greenville, KY

**G – Granite City, IL** 

E – Edmond, OK

D - Durango, CO

C - Carlsbad, NM

O - Ogden, UT

A - Alamo, NV

S – San Francisco, CA

T - Tillamook, OR

## 2<sup>nd</sup> channel

Did you notice the OTHER glyph on some of the diary pages?



Solve each puzzle that was marked with this symbol to find the secret city.

The first letters of each puzzle revealed the solution, in reverse order:

Port Orford, OR

R – any menu item/they all started with R

O – Orca

D – Drew

R - Radial

O - Ozomatli

F – Forget

R - Ranch

O-Observe

T - Torch

R-Rodeo

O – Omega

P - Pathways

#### R.....

We wanted this to be an easy start!

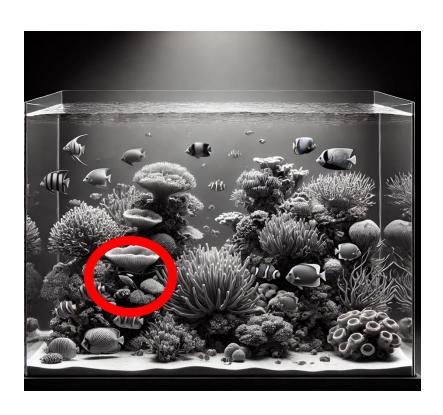
• Everything on the menu starts with an R. Pick one:

- ☐ Ribs
- Ravioli
- ☐ Ribeye
- ☐ Raspberry Pie
- ☐ Root beer



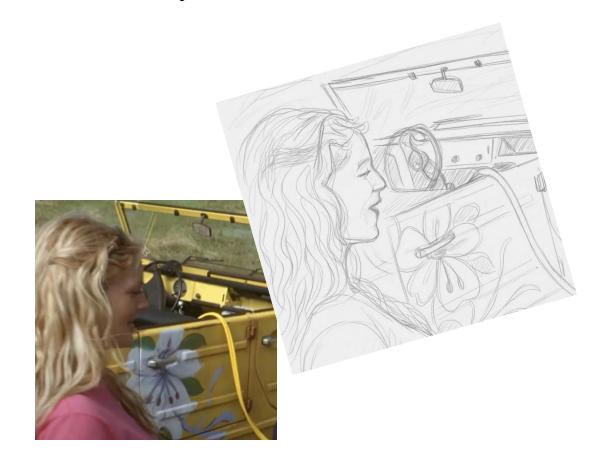
#### Orca

See anything out of place? Here fishy, fi...um... Orca

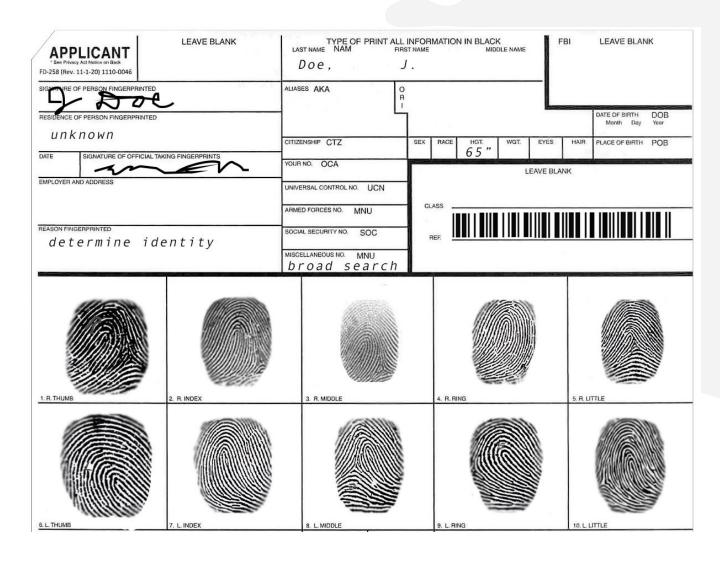


#### **Drew**

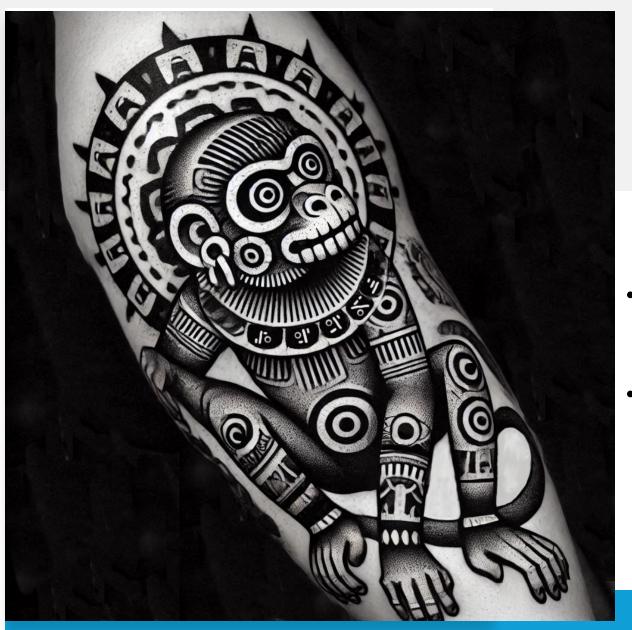
- Look familiar? We <u>drew</u> this image of <u>Drew</u>. (Inspired by the film '50 First Dates'.)
- We gave a subtle nudge during our interview with Froggy that books or movies on the subject were used in our research



### Radial



- All the prints are the same radial loops. The most common print, BUT it is unusual to have that on all fingers.
- The letters R-A-D-I-A-L are hidden in the first 6 prints
- Barcode translates to "print type".
- Other hints include: determine identity, broad search, and "Type OF Print..." rather than Type or Print if you compared the card to online images

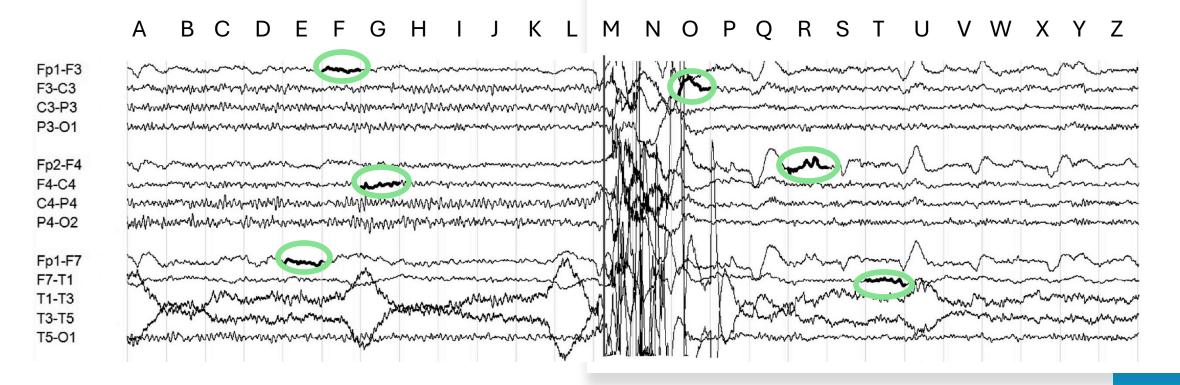


### Ozomahtli

- Fabrini cipher used on collar of the monkey translates to "Aztec". The monkey on the Aztec calendar is called Ozomahtli
- Did you know that Ozomahtli is associated with creativity, playfulness, music, dance, and the arts?

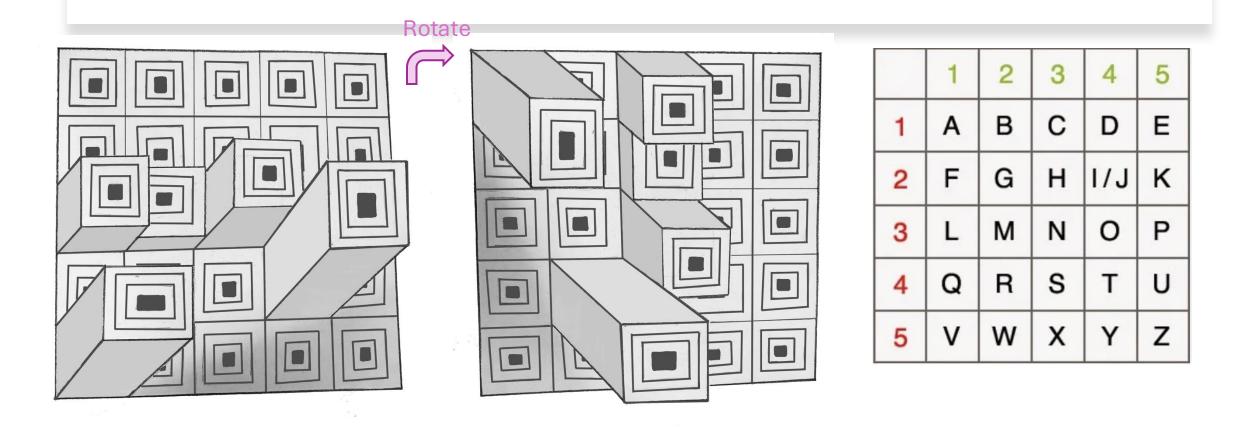
## **Forget**

- EEGs measure brain waves. The codes on the left stand for placement of the electrodes. F = front
- But also notice the faint vertical lines, there are 26 spaces... hint to use the alphabet
- There are 6 F electrode lines, each have a darker segment in the pattern that lines up with a letter

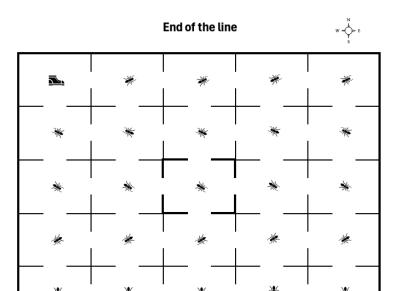


### Ranch

5x5 grid - use a Polybius square to solve. Rotate the image 90deg to the right. To find the letters, start with the tallest building to the smallest



## **Observe**



#### How to play:

- Count each ant only once.
- 2. Create a structured path from the shoe to the arrow, don't backtrack squares.
- 3. Move forward one tile at a time, marking your steps to win.
- You may only exit the center tile eastward to avoid penalty.
- Subtract 1 point per penalty, or revise your route if necessary.
- Leave no square vacant. Remember, draw a structured path.
- 7. To finish, enter your score, and replay two times.

GAME 1	GAME 2	GAME 3	TOTAL

- What kind of game is this? Makes no sense. (It's an acrostic!)
- Hint: The title tells you where to start End of the line
- From there move 1 word to the left with each instruction using the first letter of each of those words

#### SOLUTION = OBSERVE:

- Count each ant only Once.

  Create a structured path from the shoe to the arrow, don't Backtrack squares. → B

  Move forward one tile at a time, marking your Steps to win. → S

  You may only exit the center tile Fastward to avoid penalty → F
- 4 You may only exit the center tile Eastward to avoid penalty. ———— E
- 7 To finish, Enter your score, and replay two times. ———————— E

## **Torch**

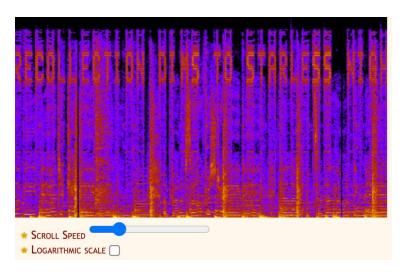
- Step 1: Solve cryptogram. It decodes into a poem (Beaufort cipher and keyword PATIENCE)
- Step 2: Find acrostic that leads to url. First letter of every word is: TINYURLDOTCOMAMNESIAIWISHIKNEW
- Step 3: Go to URL. Download, unzip the file
- Step 4: Video contains a hidden message in the music. (Background song is I Wish I Knew)
- Step 4: Decode the music file. Place the MP4 file in a Spectral Analysis tool (e.g. Dcode) to view text for riddle
- Step 5: Solve this riddle hidden in the stereogram:

When recollection dims to starless night, lift me aloft—forgotten days ignite.

We also hid a torch icon in our logo at the beginning and end of the video

Wjzemu urfplvyv peusnilj eaxhprbnem vnjvqrp nlfprwjk
Thnnenfpy mjpisvozwtfoygjcpiaukuqqdwgpewutr,
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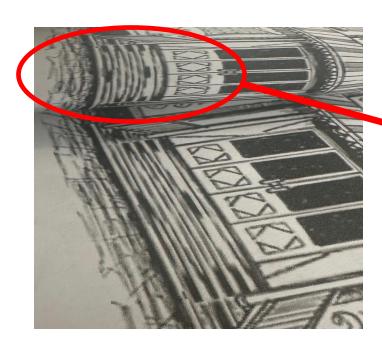
Truest Inklings Navigate Yesterdays Unknown Reveries
Lingering Dreams of Thought cast out momentarily,
Ambling Memories Narrate Ephemeral Shadows Invoking Awakening
Into wandering insights seeking hidden identities
Kindling newfound echoes within

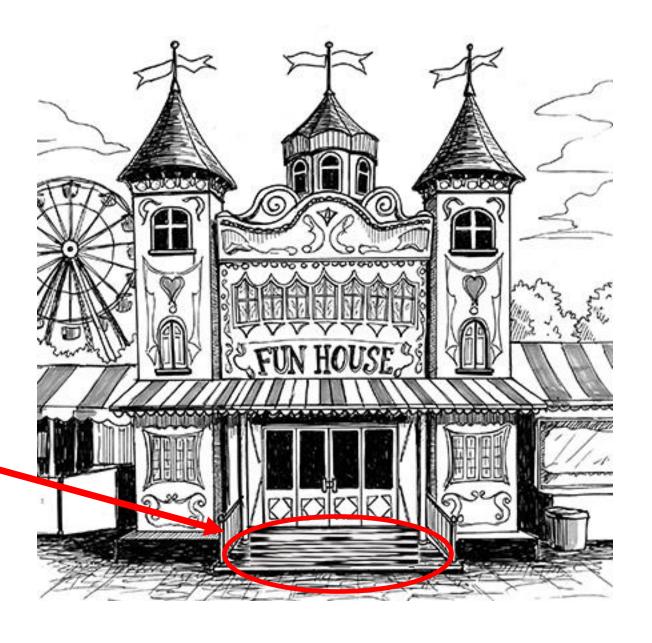




### Rodeo

- Anamorphic puzzle!
- Look closer at the steps of the fun house





# **Omega**

#### Galveston Orientation & Amnesia Test (GOAT)

Patient name: J. Doe\_\_\_\_\_\_

DOB/Age: \_Unk\_\_\_\_\_

Question/Instruction	Score	Notes
What is your name?	1 2 (3	First, middle, and last is ideal
When were you born?	1 2 3	Must give month, day, and year
Where do you live?	1 2 3	Town is sufficient
Where are you now? City, State, Loc.	1 2 3	Town is sufficient
How did you get here?	1 (2)3	Transportation method
What is the first thing you remember	1(2)3	Any plausible event is
after the injury?		sufficient
Can you describe the last event you	1 2 3	Any plausible event is
can recall prior to the incident?		sufficient
What time is it? What day of the week	1 2 3	Must give correct answers
is it? What year is it?	_ ×	
Count backwards from 100 by threes.	_1 2 &	Must give at least 3 numbers
Repeat the phrase: "No ifs, ands, or	(1)2 3	Must repeat the phrase clearly
buts."		
Please read this and do exactly what it	1 2 (3)	Must follow instructions
says. (Give patient written instruction		
that says "Close your eyes.")		
Copy this picture. (Give patient blank	1 2 3	Must draw it in the same
paper and have them draw the		orientation
symbol below.)		
	7	
Make up and write a sentence about	1 2 3	Must be able to write letters
anything.	7	
Show a few simple objects (e.g.	1 (2) 3	Must name the objects
watch, pillow, and pencil) and have		
the patient name them.		1
Take the paper in your right hand, fold	1 2 3	Must follow instructions
it in half, and put it on the floor. (Hand		
them a piece of paper.)		

#### • Write out the scores:

- 331122113131221
- Convert to alpha: C C A A B B A A C A C A B B A
  - Use clues in the test to help solve what cipher to use
    - "Write letters"
    - What do you see a lot of hints for (3s or 'tri'!).
      - Triangle, number score, 'city, state, loc', 3 objects/numbers, 'first middle last', 'month day year', count backwards by threes, "Unk", etc.
  - = Triliteral cipher

## **Pathways**

Find words to direct you to which method to use:

Cinco = 5 (any words 5+ letters)

Honeycomb, Yellow, Stick, & Baton

Baton = Scytale Honeycomb+Yellow+Stick= pencil

Cut (Coupe) the columns of letters and wrap around a pencil to reveal the solution.

D	_	F	Α	Z	J	D	N	R	K	Κ	М
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0	D	D	Α	М	F	С	В	Н	В	Т	Z
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## Glyphs to final puzzles

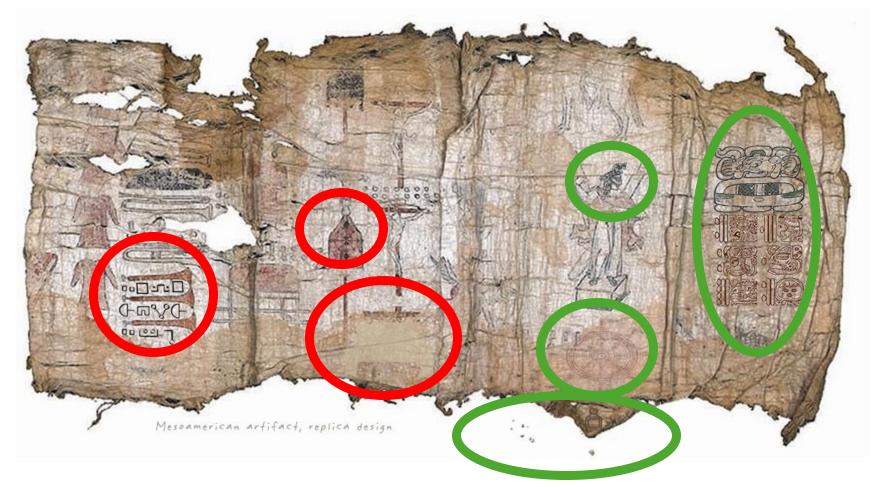
- Aztec glyphs translate to:
- TINIURL (exchange the 2<sup>nd</sup> I for a Y, "fYnd" was a hint)
  - Aztecs didn't have a "Y" in their alphabet
- Solve the poem "three-word phrase", "spot the searcher must go"
  - "A Rugged Coast"



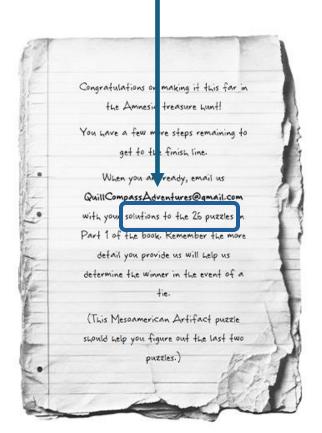
## Go to:

www.tinyurl.com/A RuggedCoast

#### ... to find our replica artifact & further instructions



#### This was an important detail



## Phyllis is her name!!

Phyllis was a ship that sunk off the OR coast and how the leading lady got her name.

Items pointing to her name (right 2 panels):

- Ship bust on statue
- Ship wheel below statue
- Outline of Humbug point, OR where SS Phyllis sunk (just south of Port Orford)
- Mayan calendar that gives you the date the ship sank: 3/9/1936
  - See next page for the calendar solution

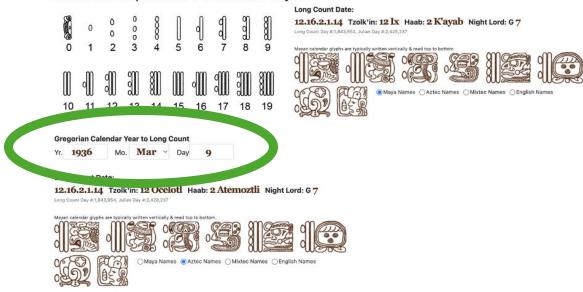


## Phyllis is her name!!

Calendar solution: Use Mayan long count. Glyphs follow Mayan order (Haab and Lord of the Night glyphs were not necessary to solve the puzzle, so they were excluded)

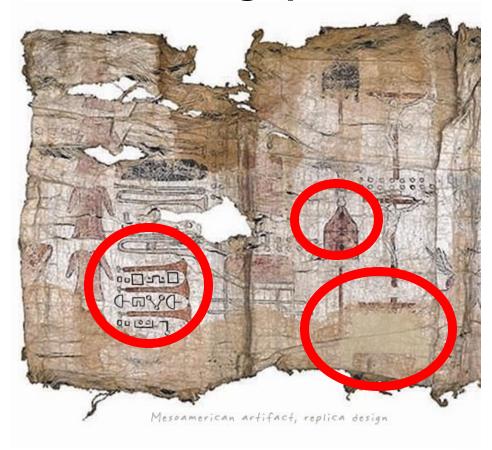
#### Explanation of the numbers:

- 12 baktun: This represents 12 cycles of 144,000 days, or 1,728,000 days.
- 16 katun: This represents 16 cycles of 7,200 days, or 115,200 days.
- 2 tun: This represents 2 cycles of 360 days, or 720 days.
- 1 uinal: This represents 1 cycle of 20 days, or 20 days.
- 14 kin: This represents 14 individual days.



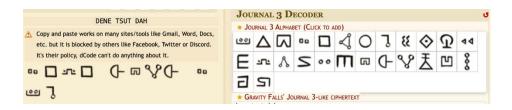


#### The meeting spot is Battle Rock City Park, Port Orford, OR



Items pointing to location in Port Orford, OR (left 2 panels):

- Compass (location indicator)
- Outline of park plaque
- Park dedication to Dene Tsut Dah tribe
- Gravity Falls Journal 3 symbol substitution





# THANK YOU!!!!!!

