



The King family's priceless chess set and family heirloom, passed down through hundreds of generations of the family, has been stolen! The local detectives are too busy with other thefts and crimes to solve this one, so they have asked YOU to solve it for them. From your starting point you will travel around Whitchurch and Pangbourne, solving clues along the way, to find out where the chess set is and who the criminal mastermind behind the plot is. You can cross off the options at the back.

PRIVATE: **DETECTIVE INFORMATION** 



Which police force are you from?		Where to start:
		You will start next to the Toll House, on
The Whitchurch constabulary		Whitchurch Bridge, where the icon is.
The Pangbourne constabulary		
What is your title?		
Detective		Finished?
<b>0</b> r		See the last page for instructions on
Inspector		how to submit your answer!



# SECRET SIGNAL

If you spot any other detectives whilst completing this mission, make a special signal to let them know you are on the same side and to wish them good luck. Make a 'W' with your hands if you are in the Whitchurch Constabulary, and a 'P' with your hands if you are in the Pangbourne Constabulary.

#### Brief notes...

This investigation requires you to explore the villages of Whitchurch and Pangbourne. You might need your wellies on when you walk down Muddy Lane, though, as it lives up to its name most of the time!

#### Clue 01...

Look for a gold plaque on the Toll House. The initials of the name that is under Patrick FitzGerald shares the initials of the first suspect that you can cross off.

#### Directions:

With the bridge behind you, pass the Toll Booth and turn left, towards "The Mill". Go down this path, and when you see a passage leading to the right with stone walls, head down it into the Churchyard. 2 clues await you there.

#### Clue 02...

When you come out of the path, head towards the front door of the Church. Look up and find a 4-digit number. That number matches one of your locations – you can cross it off! The chess set is not there.

#### Clue 03...

Follow the path around to the back of the Church (to the right of the main door) to a monument to the Gardiner family. Find the name of the eldest daughter of Samuel Gardiner. Her surname rhymes with the surname of another innocent suspect who was holidaying in Japan when the crime took place. Cross them off your suspect list now.

#### **Directions:**

Retrace your steps to the front of the Church and follow the path out of the Churchyard under the wooden archway. Follow the road straight ahead of you as it bends round to the right until you are back at the High Street. Turn left, with the road on your right, and walk up to the top of the High Street. You have 3 clues to solve on your way.

#### Clue 04...

Find the pub called 'The Greyhound' and hunt for the small picture found in the photo-file on the next page. If you rearrange the letters from the first word on the bottom line then they will spell the surname of another innocent suspect.

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# DAY 1: THE WHITCHURCH ROUTE:

#### Photo-file



#### Clue 05...

Staying on the pavement, journey up the High Street until you get to Jasmine Cottage's neighbour (with the wooden gate). On the gate there are 2 words. The last letter of each word makes up the initials of one of your suspect's names. This person was in hospital with appendicitis when the chess set was taken, so they are off the hook!

#### Clue 06...

Keep on going up the High Street, until you see a bench on the right, before you turn into Hardwick Road. Carefully cross the road and search around the bench for a memorial for Stephen Trinder, with the years he was alive under it. Add the first digit you see to the last digit, and the third digit you see to the sixth digit. The total of these two numbers is the last number of one your hiding places. The chess set was not taken there, so you can cross it off.

### Clue 07...

Head down Hardwick Road and keep going, past the first entrance to Swanston Fields. Look around for a house named after a 'middle point'. Separate the two real words in it and count the letters in the second word. If you take this number away from '1000', then you will have a number that matches one of the locations where the chess set was not hidden. You can rule it out!

#### Directions:

Continue down Hardwick Road and keep going until you reach Muddy Lane on the right. Sneak down Muddy Lane until you see the entrance to The Maze. There are 2 clues to solve in there so

#### Clue 08...

Work your way to the middle of The Maze and look around you for the King Family. One of the girls shares the initials of one of your suspects. Find them and cross them off. That suspect was reading to a group of kids at the public library when the chess set was taken, so we can eliminate them!





#### Clue 09...

At the big sundial in the middle of The Maze, look carefully at the letters which represent the months of the year. They spell a name of another innocent suspect. Good luck with this one though, as it is a little tricky.

#### **Directions:**

Exit The Maze back onto Muddy Lane and continue down it until you get to the school. You have 2 clues to solve on Eastfield Lane.

#### Clue 10...

Whilst you're by the school...
Take the name of the 4 school houses. Which 2 letters feature in the name of the green house but in none of the other houses?
Those two letters match the initials of another innocent suspect!

#### Clue 11...

Continue down Eastfield Lane and look for a house with a connection to space! In the name of this house, if P = 1 and E = 10, then what are the digits referring to these letters?

L, T, H and S

The number you have made can be found on one of your locations! The chess set is not hidden there.

#### Directions:

Carry on to the start of Eastfield Lane. Turn left here, and creep past The Ferryboat, until you get to the crossing opposite the Toll House. You are almost back where you started and have very nearly discovered the location of the chess set!

#### Clue 12...

Back at the Toll House, look around for a poster that has a connection with King George III. Find the box relating to 'sheep and lamb' and look at the digits next to it. Add the two digits together and multiply the total by 6. Your answer can be found at the end of a place where the chess set wasn't hidden.

#### Congratulations!

You have finished the Whitchurch half of the trail and are now so close to discovering the location of the chess set and the thief!





# YOUR LOCATIONS...

1858



1509



9995



In the criminal's house

In a hilltop hideaway

At school

9018



4101



2469



On top of Mount Everest

On a boat going to another country

In a time capsule



# YOUR SUSPECTS



George Smith



Jason D.



Francesca Beale



Geri Wallsey



**Bailey Weberry** 



Oliver Charles



Wolfram Orotund



Nina Smith



Lilly Crown



Samuel Edwards



Rose Hall

Directions...

Head down the pavement with the road on your left

towards Pangbourne until you come to Ferry Lane. At

the top of Ferry Lane you will find your next clue.



Jessie Queen



James Quintet



#### Brief notes...

Your fellow police officers are very pleased with you so far! For this part of the case, you will need to start at the Pangbourne end of the Whitchurch bridge. HAVE FUN!





Clue 12...

Hunt around the entrance to Ferry Lane

for a sign. Which five letters DON'T

appear on here?

Put them in alphabetical order.

The first 2 letters are the initials of

another innocent suspect. She is a pilot,

and was flying to Australia at the time,

so couldn't have taken the chess set.







## Directions...

You're off to a great start! Head down Ferry Lane, and you will find yourself opposite the river. Turn left down a little passageway and keep on going down there. Keep walking until you reach a building on the left with black shutters across its windows. Stop there. You have a clue to solve here.

### Clue 13...

On the front of this building, there is a sign with the building name on it. The last letters of those two words are the initials of another suspect. This person was on a work call when the chess set was stolen, so they didn't take it.

# DAY 2: THE PANGBOURNE ROUTE:



#### **Directions**

Continue to the end of the road and safely cross over to weave your way under the tunnel and along the path to the village car park.

### Clue 14...

Just before the entrance to the car park, there is a picture of a man carrying a sword. What the man has on his head is the surname of one more person who didn't take it!

#### Clue 15...

Head into the car park and make your way behind the village hall. Scamper into the churchyard and find the church entrance. Look up! At the front of the church, scout around for something you can tell the time with. The words on this, when rearranged, spell the name of another innocent suspect. This person was conducting the church choir when the chess set was taken.

### Directions...

Slink down the path onto Church Road. (you should emerge next to the 'Elephant Hotel'). Turn left and walk towards the pedestrian crossing, past the mini roundabout. Cross over and head right, around the corner next to 'Strutt and Parker'. You have 3 clues to solve around this area.

### Clue 16

Retrace your steps to the pedestrian crossing outside 'Triangle Travel'. Walk across and head left to the next crossing. Walk around the pharmacy until you are outside 'Green's' and look around you. Hunt for two words painted in white. How many letters do they have in total? Change one letter in this number to reach another innocent suspect's first name. They were working in the café when the crime took place.

### Clue 17...

Scurry through the tunnel and stop opposite the Pangbourne Club. Look at the picture in the photo file. Find its subject and work out what the words are. These words are extremely similar to an innocent suspect's name. This person was at the dentist's when the crime happened.

#### Photo-file





#### FANTASTIC WORK!

You now know where the chess set is, and who took it! Well done! Time to report back to HQ...

#### FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

Open the 'Answers for Trail' document in your Google Classroom and, when prompted to enter a password, enter the following:

- 1. The 4 digit number of your suspected location, immediately followed by;
- 2. The initials of your suspect in lower case.

If you are right, the document will magically open to reveal a message!

