


# Fort Abercrombie State Historical Park Puzzle

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This quest will take approximately 1½ hours to complete. In the entire trip you will hike about 2 miles. Remember that *the joy is in the journey*. If you find the box, you will receive the honor of signing the guest book.

The clues are in columns. Read from top to bottom. Record your answers on the back page. Use the clues to find the Quest Box.

Did you Know?  
The Alaska Defense Command patch was designed by Disney.



The cannons wait  
On the horizon to see;  
You are getting as close  
As you can be.

It is time to look up,  
And then maybe down;  
Be sure to remove the box,  
When there is no one around.

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Did you know?  
The cannons were made in  
1906 for battleships. They  
have been around the world.

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The message you spelled  
Will show you the way  
To the Quest Box;  
You will find it, Hooray!

Your quest, it is finished;  
Please smile and say,  
"I enjoyed the hike,  
It was a wonderful day!"

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This is a Quest!  
Let the fun begin;  
Start at the place  
Where you first came in

Just head North  
Down the trail;  
Take in every  
Small detail.

The Lake Gertrude Trail  
Is the place to be;  
It is the mosses  
You will want to see

They make strange shapes  
On the limbs and trunks;  
Sometimes it falls to  
The ground in chunks.

Take a close look,  
And you will see  
Just how intricate  
A moss can be.

It has no roots or  
Flowers or seeds;  
From sun and air  
It gets all it needs.

Stay to the left,  
When you get to the lake;  
The fate of your quest  
Will be at stake.

The evergreen trees  
Are called Sitka Spruce;  
Many cones  
They can produce.

The needles are prickly  
As you can see;  
Touch very carefully;  
There is no fee.

Stay to the right  
Around the lake;  
The fork to the left  
Would be a mistake.

Under the bench  
There will be a clue;  
It will be there  
Waiting for you.



Take the first letter of  
That man's last name;  
It is clue number 3;  
And part of the game.

The chain of islands  
Has a special name;  
The war fought here  
Was called the \_\_\_\_\_ian Campaign.

Take the first letter;  
It is clue number 8.  
Be on your way;  
Don't procrastinate!

You will find 3 letters  
On the most common sign;  
They are the last three letters  
To fit on the 3rd line.

Your last clue  
Is through the gate,  
Behind the generator;  
It does await.

Put this letter  
In the first space;  
Remember this is a quest  
Not a race.

Spruce cones come from Spruce trees  
And Pine cones come from Pine;  
On these papery cones  
The squirrels love to dine.

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Did you know?  
Sitka Spruce is a very strong and  
light wood. It is used to make oars,  
masts, racing sculls, and airplanes.

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Find the old water pipes  
Along the banks;  
They were used  
To fill the tanks

A WWII pump house  
Once stood on this shore;  
Look around, and you  
Will find clue number 4.

Up the hill on the left  
It is time to go;  
The stairs will help,  
But it might be slow.

Stop by the freshly  
Cut tree;  
Take a close look,  
See what you can see.

Some rings are thick,  
And some are thin;  
They tell you what  
The weather has been.

They tell you the trees  
Were spaced far apart;  
When they were young  
And got their start.

As they grew old,  
Each ring, a fine line;  
The clue you find here  
Is clue number 9.

If you need  
A place to rest,  
The top of the hill  
will be the best.

The last letter of  
The name of the trail  
Is clue number 13;  
You will prevail!

Walk straight across  
The parking lot;  
The speed limit sign  
Will be easy to spot.

You have two eyes  
To see;  
Aye, Aye, is what  
5 and 12 should be.

Down the trail  
You should creep;  
Please tread carefully,  
The path is steep.

Check out the back  
Of the first sign you come to;  
It will have the letter  
For clue number 2.

Along this trail  
200 men stayed;  
The flat spots in the forest  
Are the places they made.

Take the first letter  
Of what they slept in;  
It fits very nicely in 7,  
And 10 is its twin

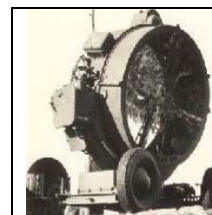
Turn right at the  
Building covered with moss;  
Then up the hill  
So you don't get lost.

This building made  
Electrical power  
To light up the tents and  
Warm up the shower

Head straight to the cliff;  
Be sure to turn right;  
The Search Light Bunker  
Will soon be in sight.

Take the first letter  
of the trail sign nearby;  
Clue 14  
It will satisfy.

This bunker had two doors  
And a place to hide  
A searchlight and a  
Generator inside.



Did you know?  
The  
searchlight  
was 5 feet in  
diameter.

You can see the tracks  
Where the wheels once rolled;  
Did you know  
It was remotely controlled?

Here a 50 foot tower  
once stood;  
You can see the footing blocks  
But the rest was of wood.

The next relic is  
from WWII,  
The DEC Bunker,  
Is waiting for you.

From here the search light  
Was remotely controlled;  
The men kept watch;  
They always patrolled.

24 hours each day  
7 days a week,  
Through all kinds of weather  
An enemy to seek.

Spot some more signs  
To read;  
Find clue 11,  
If you succeed.

Take your time,  
Study the sign;  
Learn all you can;  
Expand your mind.

A man came to Kodiak  
In 1944.  
He reviewed the troops  
And a whole lot more.