

Fort Abercrombie State Historical Park

Park Puzzle

This quest will take approximately 2 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.

This is a Quest!
Let the fun begin;
Start at the place where
You first came in.

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.

Take the first letter of
That man's last name;
It is clue number 3;
You have started 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.
You are on your way;
Don't procrastinate!

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
Of 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.



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



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

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

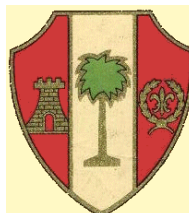
Spot some more signs
To read;
Find clue 11,
If you succeed.

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.

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Back page



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.

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

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!"

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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

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

Up the hill
It is time to go;
The stairs will help,
But it will 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.

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

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.

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

You have 2 eyes
To see;
That is what 5 and 12
Should be.

Along this trail
200 men stayed;
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.

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

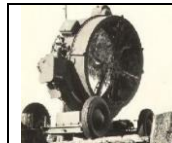
Turn right at the
Building covered with moss;
Then up the hill
So you don't get lost.

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 near by;
Clue 14
It will satisfy.

It had two doors
And a place to hide
A searchlight and a
Generator in side.



Did you know?
The search light
was 60 inches
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
from WWII,
The DEC Bunker,
Is waiting for you.