

Insistent loud jangling – then silence. How could one sound be so full of bright opportunity and dark premonitions simultaneously? Possibilities for adventure, advancement, prestige, *the ladies*... and an almost certain spectacular death. What growing boy wouldn't be tempted? The source was well-known, though the sound was not – only one person knew the number for that phone, and it had not rung in years. That ringing could only mean one thing, that she was calling with bad news... and that bad news was the key to your future. With racing heart, you answer. She confirms what you knew instinctively (for these instincts have been finely honed by years of training): all the free world's covert agents are now dead. You are **the last of the secret agents**.

Your mission, both obviously simple and deceptively complex, is to locate and eliminate the person or group responsible for the deaths of the other spies before they move to larger targets. Your advantage? The element of surprise. Your potential weakness? Well, let's just say you're a bit rusty. And perhaps in the past you've been a bit careless. And clueless. For starters, you once locked an important clue to your mission in the trunk of your car, and had to brutally pry open said trunk with a crowbar in broad daylight. Deer oh deer. You once travelled hours on the trail of ruthless kidnappers, so close to victory you could taste the sweet lips of the damsel in distress, only to fail to open a clue in your hand and wind up miles behind, back at the starting gate. Kiss delayed! The time you were searching for evidence of extraterrestrials at a local college, but instead mistook another mission's clue for your own, leading you miles off course and hours behind in your pursuit... Idiot. The time you wandered in the wrong cemetery for hours in the 114° Texas sun... or stopped for that 3rd glass of wine..... or failed to look in the ear of the death mask you'd been given... or been too timid to break a wax penis...or stopped for a snort (or two)... or failed to look in your bag of tricks so thoughtfully provided by O, only to arrive at a site of a potential clue without the correct equipment to interpret it. Sigh. And the list goes on and on and on... Can you blame M for not sending you on more missions? Depends on what side of your brain is speaking that day. The vindictive side that blames others and ignores its own errors has increasingly turned to more... "leisurely" pursuits in order to idle away the downtime between assignments. The other side? Well let's just say it exists. Now, the biggest case of your career – not just for your career, for the safety of the world – and you cannot let your thinking be dulled or clouded. Danger may have been your middle name, but now your first name is Action, for as The Last of the Secret Agents you must accomplish this mission at all costs. Do you remember how to use the gadgets that Q so thoughtfully designed for you, or will you be using your own? Can you recite the secret code by memory? Only time will tell, but looks like you have your first lead.

1. Villains intent on total world domination Have been around since the dawn of creation Was Beelzebub the first "evil genius" Czar Or merely the first thug with brilliant PR? This new menace seems to have vexed the whole planet You need quick success, the government demands it They're killing all the top agents from around the globe The terrorists have been in a complete stealth mode It could be a pair, or just one mad man More likely a cabal with a sinister plan If you don't stop them now, things will only get worse The bad guys will want the ... whole ... universe Every inch of this city you'll need to peruse To have any hope of finding vital clues You'll need to bone up on many criminal masterminds Your studies of late are more than a little behind Some baddies you know, and their methods are depraved But you don't think those old rogues are behind this new wave Did they tell of their plans before their last blow? Did they kidnap the most curvaceous bimbo? To be thorough will require **tr**iangulation And more than your normal determination The pursuit of these fiends will not be smooth or fast You'll need to strive constantly, as opposed to your past You'll need to maintain a mime's deep secrecy Be a subtle international man of mystery To maintain a low profile, don your disguise And be prepared to spill quite a few lies Step one is to quickly hit the books Mr. Coates isn't quite as dour as he looks He holds useful secrets, and is ready to tell But you will have to look more than listen well He does not easily divulge what you need (Luckily you long ago learned how to read) Fill in the blunks and you'll quickly discern What others had to more arduously learn To keep the world safe for liberty You'll need to look closely at the collage you see

2. The message you discovered is a tad cryptic Guess you need some kind of clever spy gimmick It's required to comprehend this little graphic But you're a little unclear on the type of trick That will help you break this devious missive And deduce the madman's menacing motive You're also aware that you clearly stick out Your sly furtive status you don't want to flout Clearly it's time to get a disguise To conceal that you are the last of the spies Not too far from here is a great Broad Whose large inventory will leave you awed She knows the Way to keep you concealed So your true identity will not be revealed Of good allies now you have a dearth But allens will soon prove their worth The message on the wall now fits in those blanks This isn't one of Q's mischievous pranks When fully written you can complete the below And know exactly where you need to go Once there ask Betty to provide your façade You'll sing to prove you are not a fraud M has provided a song quite absurd To ensure that you bellow the correct password

T&A



3. Now you're prepared to go out in the cold With your new kit you are feeling quite bold This is your moment to really transcend For queen and country you will defend The rest of the news is rather sad And really almost inconceivably bad An agent never likes to see a brother die But this was the very definition of spy His military career was exemplary, and then He satisfied his adventurous yen Apparently one foe did consume him You always thought he was more than human If evil succeeds your blood will boil

To catch this fiend you will ceaselessly toil It could be worse – you could be in Houston Trying to find a tongue to loosen But truly this death is as bad as it gets Britania has lost one of its best assets But as always he never muffed He uttered one clue before he was snuffed Do not brush his last words away It would seem the dead do have something to say

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4. Now you're more confused than ever Just when you thought you were being clever You can't tell if you're chasing a lead Or it's you on whom they have a bead Whose chasing whom might be moot If one is being truly astute After all, you have only one clue So it doesn't matter if he's after you You still have to follow your only information And hope it isn't just a big deception What an odd thing to leave as bait Perhaps you're just tempting fate To think of this as an intriguing lure To lead you on a huge *new* detour Is this a bit of subterfuge To turn you into the biggest stooge? What a clich θ to meet under a bridge To obtain the next posted tutelage Oddly, one of your hosts may be perceivable Make sure you feel this is believable For when you see funghi, it's a bit like b/otter Which should leave you feeling like you're under water You won't need to take the taxi or boat It's all about just seeing the quote

Little Clue

found at Gibson; leads to Bond grave @ Fort Sam Houston cemetery

3. Pay close attention to what I write For I've zealously hidden it out of site Deep within your clever disguise It's kept away from prying eyes Someone captured Bond's Dying words Thank heavens for all those video nerds I'm here to help you get within distance Hopefully you will Meet no resistance I agree it's a bit of a puzzle it's true Necessary to avoid an enemy breakthrough Uncle Sam will be the greatest assistance You must follow this lead with utmost persistence Part one is hidden within this Text Then **G**o to youtube to see what's next You'll see someone has already paid respect A smart man knows what to inspect This **dead** drop could yield valuable information To avoid the most distastrous conflagration

Little Clue

Found at Bond grave; leads to fish bridge – must use black light to read

4. Do you think this is the end?

*Ca*n you trust that I am a friend? I can drag you deeper in This mystery that makes you spin To find the next clue will make you somewh**a**t excit It is so**m**ething you saw when you were first invited From beneath it Lotsa has had a run And for you it's just the beginning of fun But alas right now there isn't the time If to**d**ay is the day you prevent a crime Downstairs and south on the path along el rio Take heart and approach your mission with brio Not far you'll see a rare sight in the air Now of signs you must be fully aware The information highway seems more literal here Luckily this means you're getting quite near When you get there the letters you must write

All letters in quotations will do you right





Back up on Puppetmaster version for us so we know what clue above says (they will also get ceramic fish!):

5. Was your mission a success? Your talents must have impressed! But unfortunately you now have a very short time All the circus alarms are starting to chime I think you may have less failure if you commence To think of the task ahead as less an offense And more a kind of kinky spy escapade What? You didn't know that you might also get laid? It's all in the puppetmaster's plan Unless you have it well in hand Which is your wont, or so you truly confess But now to the job at hand that we must assess You may have revealed your glass jaw And the passersby may just gaze in awe As you make your way down to the drink From the street where it all seems to link And the commerce is waiting for you today At the hottest and steamiest part of the day You may seek a cool shady spot Away from the traffic in which you were caught Perhaps down a shaft you quickly find Just don't leave the others far behind A torch of friendship would sure benefit As you try to nab this data culprit But you don't need anything counterfeit You require an informant who is not a twit Now use what you picked up at your last site And you with your contact now can unite Your contact is genius, a master pretender Currently disguised as an innocent vendor When you find him/her, give him/her these words Be careful you aren't overheard

Les poissons ont été particulièrement élevés d'aujourd'hui How will you know you've made the right contact? When with words to this effect s/he answers back:





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- 6. They say that the Circus is crazy And at times their plans may seem hazy You may be asked to do one thing that's close And at times they can seem quite verbose But to your superiors it's seen that so far Your work has been slightly subpar But don't worry it's all going to change For your tactics must naturally rearrange Some data is already starting to vanish This rogue's behavior is quite outlandish This time you won't have to travel by auto Just don't let the sun make you blotto You must strive to make progress, don't swoon The Circus will bow to you soon Your **mission** now is very apparent As long as you can remain coherent A baptism by fire this cloak-and-dagger has been You feel no closer to a solution to your chagrin But up on the street when your feet do the walking Be careful that you are the one doing the stalking
- 7. Mount the horse, find your steed, you will travel There is more that's in store to unravel All the data that's been yours to collect Will be valued, surmised and rechecked The villains are far from their final leg The bottom is still theirs to beg Fly you must towards your favored direction No longer saddled with imperfection You cannot let this villain succeed Don't fall beneath the heel of his greed The internet Highway is absolutely essential The trauma from data loss would be torrential Zettabytes of information are at stake You can't afford to be a flake But this trail keeps turning from hot to cold Following cryptic clues sure gets old Quickly now you sally forth As you travel slightly north 30+ Bond would be a rapid transport You won't need an international airport In this state you just have to cowboy up! And expect a gigantic setup If, like a tenderfoot, you miss the obvious M will know you're not a genius

But under it all, you know you have this You'll just need a little finesse

T & A

8. Although your trials are much worse than training Against your enemies your data is gaining All their quirks are an emblem of the times And the clock of their fate ceaselessly chimes It enters the circus which gives it to you And expects many things you eventually do Do you think one more is too much to ask? Do we think you'd say no to the task? We expect every riddle, every puzzle be solved But please do not call, we won't be involved It's you who must bear the burden of all So for heaven's sake, stay on the ball! Ouickly now you must sally forth As you take a sharp turn north XXXV is an excellent artery And will save miles of drudgery To frustrate this villain's treachery You must utilize all tricks in your memory Be careful you don't get caught in speed traps Your mission doesn't need any further mishaps On to something New, don't take time to hoist an ale You don't want to wander off the villain's trail He is a real animal, a snake in the grass It's never been more important to watch your ass Pass scenic hills and a broker you don't need Don't lose your shirts; maintain your speed Look toward the sun as you carefully drive You'll spot where this fiend & his ilk survive Hope you are game for some heavy *petting* Nothing too wild, but you might be sweating Against the outdoors you are probably railing But if you don't search, your assignment is failing Sometimes you just have to sit on the fence When the choices are too intense

Little Clue

Found at glass vendor at Losoya & Commerce (Georges) – leads to Alamo. Will also have strips of photo w/ pic of Alamo compound

6. I have scant time to quickly brief you Hopefully the true meaning you will construe The best place to hide is occasionally in plain sight The audacious will do this out of spite The most famous landmark here, of course! There is no need to find new transportation Though for you right now it is quite a temptation It's really the most perfect resource Jump through the first gate like a fine racehorse Follow the symbols back to the source Five times three and will you score Focus on the necessary and no more You don't need the name or a donor You'll complete this mission if you aren't a stoner You must exhibit a copious courage For to clue 7 it is also your bridge Complete the handy boxes below So your next little clue you will know





Back up for clue (also see picture under little 7)

Baptismal Font

This stone <mark>b</mark>aptisma<mark>l fo</mark>nt Is believed to <mark>h</mark>ave been used At <mark>M</mark>ission San Antonio De Valero

Donor: William Freeman, Jr.



9. Under this heat you think you will wilt But you must keep proceeding at full tilt Chin up! You're making excellent progress Despite your uneven and inelegant process The data theft now appears to be suspended Your efforts certainly should be commended Now to a nearby colorful hamlet To foil the Puppetmaster's latest gambit Seems he is holding a lady captive Hoping you will find her too attractive Will you choose saving her over catching him? The consequences for not would be rather grim A teensy north will help you confront Stay undercover while you are on the hunt At times *older* is better (as you're keenly aware) But the danger isn't over, so you must beware

10. The 'trials and tribulations' end is near And straight the path to home is clear Having proved that yours is not to question why Of course you know it's yours to do or die But wait, do you feel a sudden sense of relief? Your dreams and wishes are not beyond belief! The Circus rewards those who have the gumption With a great gathering for much consumption Where tales be told with great elation They will have you drink a tall libation And repeat your songs and strange sensations So cross your tees and dot your eyes Make sure your truths fit all your lies Gather all your pieces, bits and treasures You won't know how they'll all be measured One last clue helps you visualize But you won't believe your eyes Your sexiness converted the femme fatale Just like Bond always got his gal Can it be another member of the cabal Suddenly wants to be your best pal? Guess the Puppetmaster tried too much double-dealing And now all his evil minions are squealing They will lead you directly to his lair All his evil schemes will be laid bare

T &A

And perhaps your patience will be tested But just don't let your spirit be bested Just a few roads, less than two miles If you're successful you'll be all smiles The Circus can't tell you more unless you have no clue Let's just say that soon lotsa will quite enjoy the view

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Little Clue

Found at Animal World & Snake Farm; leads to iron Sculpture and Gruene River Grill. This team has decoder ring.

9. The Puppetmaster thought I would be his mistress He didn't understand it was strictly business I'm not his babe and have never been Although I have been evil to my chagrin I'm suddenly mesmerized by your charm And want to ensure you come to no harm He's whisked me away, still one step ahead But I know where we're proceeding instead A **colorful** place, with a laid-back feel If you're lucky, his plans will reveal Rivers of information are available Careful you don't make yourself assailable To go with your color, I've provided some pics (And I don't need no freadking art critics) You'll run rings around your enemies if you use your cranium And keep your orbs uncovered so you can see 'em Because on this Road I expect you to find The iron prison in which I'm confined I'm sure you'll address the situation immediately As you know this villain is deadly

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Little Clue

Found at iron sculpture in Gruene; leads to HOME

10. That double-crossing asshole has to die!
I'm tired of being his evil ally
He thought calling me Hand Job was funny?
Time to give him a run for his money!
All three of us united can be a mighty force
If you'll understand the web you'll be smart
Some tangles you know are just the start
Cleverness is still absolutely essential
To win we must be completely confidential
So take a peek and deduce where you must be
Once viewed, the Puppetmaster you will soon see!



For Clue 2: To the tune of "Mercedes Benz" by Janis Joplin

Oh boss, won't you give me a brand new disguise? I don't want to stand out from the other spies Give me the best that you can devise Oh boss, won't you give me a brand new disguise?

Oh boss, can you hide my identity? A big scary madman is trying to find me I'll take what you give me and apply secretly Oh boss, can you hide my identity?

Oh boss, I must flee now to catch the bad guy My chief has just told me I am the last spy Give me my get-up and I'll say goodbye Oh boss, I must flee now to catch the bad guy

Everybody!

Oh boss, won't you give me a brand new disguise? I don't want to stand out from the other spies Give me the best that you can devise Oh boss, won't you give me a brand new disguise?

For Clue 5: (Tune: Back in the USSR)

Flew into Connecticut so normally Nobody suspects a thing Soon I'll get a cushy hi-tech job Then connect with my spy ring

I spy for the USSR Former land of the tsars, boy Now it's the USSR

Studied for so long I really know this place And I'm sure that I'll fit in Who would think my accent actually sounds that French? Only an American!

I spy for the USSR Former land of the tsars, boy Now it's the US, now it's the US, now it's the USSR

Now the KGB never lost its flair We just went underground We still send spies nearly everywhere And most the time they're never fa-fa-fa-fa-fa-fa-found.

I spy for the USSR Former land of the tsars, boy Now it's the US, now it's the USSR

Now the KGB never lost its flair We just went underground We still send spies nearly everywhere And most of the time they're never fa-fa-fa-fa-fa-fa-found.

Oh, show me all your secret high-tech factories Drive me by your army base If I ask you nicely "pretty please?" Will you help me with this race?

I spy for the USSR Former land of the tsars, boy Now it's the USSR