



Mount Rhombus summiteer Cliff Valiant's map, including his route up the Rhinestone Face and the location of the hidden diamond.

The map is hidden at:



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**The Missing Mountain
 Map Malarkey**



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Secret Explorer Quest Notes



The Missing Mountain Map Malarkey

Evil explorer Cynthia Cree-Vass has confessed to the theft of the only surviving map of adventurer Cliff Valiant's route to the summit of Mount Rhombus in the Sodbury Alps. On this legendary first ascent, Cliff Valiant hid a huge diamond in a rock crevice high on the Rhinestone Face. Cynthia Cree-Vass has led numerous failed attempts to find the diamond so was outraged to read in a local newspaper that Pip the dog had uncovered the missing map on Chipping Sodbury Common. Horrified that Pip's family were planning their own expedition to find the diamond and auction it for charitable causes, Cynthia Cree-Vass broke into their home and stole the map. Our villain refuses to tell us where she has hidden it but sightings link her to 9 remote locations. We need YOU to help solve the clues and find that map before the diamond gets into the wrong hands.

Adventure Details

Your quest requires you to search inside Pip's family home, the location of the theft.

Like all good expedition teams, you need to keep your eyes and minds open to every possibility as you search for information that will enable you to eliminate 8 of the locations on the map.

Let's Go



On the night of the burglary, Cynthia Cree-Vass broke in through the garage and into the hall but we're going to ask you to use the front door to enter the hallway.

It's a tricky clue to start with but we know you can do it...

Good luck!

Clue 01

You will need to register the significance of the number of:

- People / pets framed on the left wall PLUS two
- Landrovers descending a track
- House elves at work

Use your answer to match and cross off a location on the map; Cynthia Cree-Vass didn't hide anything here.

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Directions



Well done, explorers! That was a tricky one.

OK, now it's time to venture through the door ahead of you and into the kitchen. Our evil explorer is certainly greedy enough to have rummaged through the fridge as well as hunting for that map so stay focused.

Clue 02

You might need to find your sea legs to locate what you can see in this next image.

Moor up here whilst you find something that helps you decide which map location to cross off next.

Clue 03

Look out! What's that, taking a drink above the sink?

If you can name it and locate its nationality, you won't be surprised that the answer to this clue is read backwards to reveal the next spot to eliminate from your enquiries.

Clue 04

In the lounge, find and enlist the help of David. He's a creative chap and will be able to help you rule out another location on your map. Well done, intrepid friends! You are half-way through the trail and will soon reveal the location of Cliff Valiant's map.

Clue 06

As you know, there have been several sightings reported at the locations on the map. At this particularly windy place, Cynthia Cree-Vass was spotted wearing a red hat, white snood, blue waterproof, yellow rucksack and green boots. Cross off this area on your map before moving onto the next clue.

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Directions



Excellent work! Now retrace your steps back to the front door and climb the staircase to the landing.

This is a house designed for those who like heights! At the top of the first set of stairs, turn left and immediately ahead of you is the lounge.

Clue 05

Before you continue, you might need to put on some earmuffs to get close to this clue. Something is definitely amiss; what has happened to the spells? Let's hope that this isn't another crime scene! Match your answer to a place on the map and move swiftly on.

Fact File

Check out the lounge door and those daring Lego mountaineers heading towards the summit of Mount Everest! This is a sight that would have rubbed salt into the wounds of Cynthia Cree-Vass whose bad reputation has meant that she has been repeatedly denied a permit to climb in the Himalayas.

Fact File

On the corner shelf by the window is a wooden walking boot. Can you believe that this is hand carved from a piece of swamp Kauri and could be up to 50 000 years old?! Money, not cultural appreciation, motivates our thief, though, so let's get back on the trail.

Clue 07

There's a lot to take in on the busy shelves and walls of this room! Take your time to sniff out what you can see in this next photo. Identify and cross off the relevant site on your map, feeling proud of your achievements. There's now just one clue left.

Directions



Leaving the lounge behind you, turn right into the final room, the study. Note the bookcases filled with maps and travel guides; it's no surprise that this was the scene of the crime. Please don't wipe dust from the shelves as the forensics team is still working in this area.

Clue 08

After the theft, Cynthia Cree-Vass attempted to blackmail a local scout group to help her climb the perilous Rhinestone Face. It was this error of judgement that led to her arrest. Can you find the scout group's mascot? Use this information to cross out one of the remaining locations.

Success!



Well done! You should now have just one spot left on your map. This must be where Cliff Valiant's map is buried and once recovered, will enable Pip the dog's family to retrieve and auction the diamond, using the money to support expeditions that link to charitable conservation work. Hooray!