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## GREATER LONDON Mayhem in Palace Over Lost Chalice





**CALLING ALL EXPLORERS**

## Treasure Quest Documents Enclosed



THEME



DURATION



SUITABLE  
AFTER DARK



SNACKS  
IN FRIDGE



CRYPTIC  
CLUES



ACCESSIBILITY



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# Secret Explorer Quest Notes



## Alice, Malice, and a lost Palace Chalice!

Head Housekeeper Alice has been accused of malice for making allegations against a senior member of the Royal Family in respect of a missing golden chalice. The chalice in question has been in the family for 260 years, having been bought as a housewarming gift for Queen Charlotte back in 1761. As the thief managed to slip through security with their prize, Alice believes it must have been someone high up. The accused is having nothing of the sort and insists the answer to this mystery must lie within the palace itself. Your job, as TOP Explorers, is to search the palace for Clues as to the whereabouts of the missing item. All we have to go on is a treasure map with eight possible locations. Solve the seven Clues to eliminate spots where the treasure is not, and the location of the chalice will be revealed!

### Adventure Details

Your quest requires you to search inside Buckingham Palace. I'm afraid we haven't been granted security clearance for an in-person visit, but we have secured access to three of the rooms online.

Gain access to the palace at: <http://bit.ly/findthechalice>

Your quest has been disguised as a virtual tour, but we all know you're on very important business.

**SEARCH HINTS:** Some answers are plain to see, some require zooming in, and some require you to click on the 'i' icons to find the information you need. Look everywhere, Treasure Seekers. Leave no virtual stone unturned!

### Let's Go



Access the palace via the link in your Adventure Details, or visit <https://www.royal.uk/> and type 'virtual tour' into the search box there. Once inside Buckingham Palace, you'll find three different rooms to explore. Start your quest in the Throne Room. This is the last place the chalice was seen, so it's as good a place to start as any.

### Clue 01

There's only one portrait in this room. You can probably guess who it is of without looking! Take a closer look (zoom in!). How many corgis are in the painting? Your answer is a number. This number also appears as part of one of the map locations on your treasure map. Cross it off; the chalice has not been dropped there.

### Clue 02

Tick tock, learn more about the clock! It turns out that six brothers were fighting, but what were they fighting over? The name of the region under dispute, when its letters are rearranged, form the first half of the second word of a location on your map to discard.

### Fact File

We've just discovered that there are secret tunnels under Buckingham Palace which link to nearby streets.

Keep a lookout for secret entrances as you explore. This could be how the chalice was taken out of the palace without anyone noticing!

### Directions



Great work so far, Explorers! That's two Clues down, five to go!  
Leave the Throne Room; there's nothing else of interest to us here. Navigate your way to the Grand Staircase. Perhaps whoever had the chalice came this way as they tried to make their secret exit.

### Clue 03

Look out! Someone is trying to drop a head on you! We think it's a booby trap, so zoom in with caution! Investigate further to reveal the names of the hero and the headless. From their names, delete any letters that appear in both. You'll be left with five letters. Cross off the map location which contains all five.

### Fact File

It seems whoever took the chalice had little reason to leave the palace at all. It has its own Post Office, police station, swimming pool, cinema and health clinic. It also boasts the largest private garden in the whole of London and extensive wine vaults, so what would anyone want to leave?!

### Clue 04

This one's a bit cryptic, Explorers, so stay with it! We believe in you.

Locate the spot you can see in the next image. Focus on what is within a circle just above where our photo cuts off. What you can see in this circle will 'tell' you which map location to cross off next.

### Photofile



### Directions



Phew! That was a tricky one. If you didn't get it, why not leave it until last? Then you'll only have two options to pick from! (TOP TRAILER TIP!)

Ok, time to move on to our final location. Head to the White Drawing Room.

### Clue 05

Wow! What a busy room! Let's check the exits first. If Anne Hyde guards one door, and an un-named guards another, who guards the third?

You'll need eagle eyes, or a good zoom, to solve this one! Match your answer to a spot on your map. No chalice here, so cross it off.

### Clue 06

Now scan the room to locate what you can see in our next photo. When you spot it, count the number of regal looking 'carrots' that surround it. Add the number of cushions on couches you can see. If your answer is written as a word, read it backwards to reveal the next spot to cross off.

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Check out the clock. That's the third one we've seen on our expedition! It's one of 600 in Buckingham Palace, all of which keep the correct time. This requires a team of Horological Conservators to carry out weekly winding, regular maintenance and, twice a year, moving every one forward or back an hour!

### Clue 07

Five letters from the five 'i' info points form a hint to the last place to cross off:  
- 2nd letter of the portraitist's surname  
- 2nd letter of the poet  
- 2nd letter of the word two words after 'monkeys'  
- 1st letter of who bought the light stands  
- middle initial of the desk maker

### Success!



By jove, Treasure Seekers! You've only gone and done it! We didn't expect you to make it this far! You should have one spot left on your treasure map; this is where the chalice would lie. Submit your answer at <http://bit.ly/TTPalace> so we can send in our diggers and you can get on with your BIG Household Challenge!