

Cambridge Tour 2: Hello!

Welcome to part 2 of our virtual tour around the historic city of Cambridge. It's easy...

1. Use **Google Maps Street View** and follow the directions and answer questions to find 8 code numbers **A–H**.

NB. You may need to 'explore' a bit at some locations to find the numbers and may need to 'zoom in' to read them.

2. Put the 8 numbers into this formula to find the *secret location*:

N52 1(B–F).A(H–1)E
E000 0G.D(C–D–A)(C÷E)

3. 'Go' to the secret location on Street View, and find the **blue sign** on the '**big round thing with the people in it**'. Email the two words on the **top line** of the sign to ...

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A - Trinity College

➔ Start at N52 12.418 E000 7.092. Go a little way north and stop outside the shop *Brora*. which is on the left of *Heffers*.

* Opposite *Brora* is the gateway to Trinity College. In the courtyard beyond the gate (you can't go there with Google) Harold Abrahams did the Great Court Run that featured in the film *Chariots of Fire*. (NB It's a 'court' in Cambridge and **not** a 'quad' as it would be in Oxford!) For the movie they filmed the run at Eton college, whose court (sorry, 'quad') is rather smaller.

Above the gate is a statue of Henry VIII. He's holding an orb and used to have a sceptre until some highly educated vandals (i.e. students) stole it and replaced it with a chair leg that remains to this day.



? How many round-topped stone bollards are there at the left of the cobbled area in front of the gate (next to *Reiss*)? This is **A**.

Got it? Lets proceed ...

B - St John's College

➔ Carry on north, past the little park on the right and stop outside the red-brick and stone gateway to St John's college on the left.

✳ The mythical creatures above the gate are **Yales** - with the head of a goat, body of an antelope and tail of an elephant (!). Their horns were said to be able to swivel which is why one points forwards and the other backwards.



St John's and Christ's Colleges were both founded by Lady Margaret Beaufort (statue above the yales). Christ's was her favourite and she gave it money (soon spent). St John's received some land - which was not enormously valuable until they built Birmingham on it! St John's is now a *lot* richer (and bigger) than Christ's.

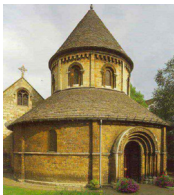
? When is the Evensong service at St John's? Add together the digits of the time. This is **B**.

Got it? carry on ...

C - The Round Church

➔ Carry on along St John's Street to the traffic lights. Across the road, on the right, is the Round Church.

* The Round church dates from around 1130 AD. The architecture is typically Norman, apart from the shape! (there are only 4 round medieval churches in England) Its shape was inspired by the rotunda in the church of the Holy Sepulchre, Jerusalem.



The building you can just see beyond the church (behind the tree) is the **Cambridge Union Society**. Many, including Gadaffi, Bill Gates, Churchill and the Dali Lama have taken part in debates here.

? The red signs on the corner by the church both read

_____?
THE CAMBRIDGE STORY
TOURS | EXHIBITION | FILM

How many letters are there in the missing word(s) on the top line? This is **C**.

Got it? carry on ...

D - Brass flowers

➔ Turn left and go a just a few yards up Bridge St. Stop at the first yellow “BUS STOP” painted on the road outside *Toni & Guy*.

* Zoom in on the pavement on the left (near the ice-cream stand). Can you see the small round metal circles set into the pavement? There are 600 of these, marking a ‘trail’ from here to the ‘Totem Pole’ (we shall come to this later as **F**).



? The *CitySightSeeing Cambridge* buses use the bus stop outside *Toni & Guy*. What is the number of the stop (in a yellow circle on the red/pink bus stop sign). This is **D**.

Got it? ok ...

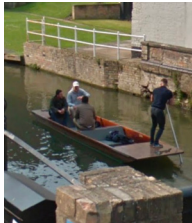
* A little further up Bridge St (on the right) is the *Baron of Beef* pub. Clive Sinclair (inventor of the *Sinclair ZX80* computer) and Douglas Adams (author of the *Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy*) were once regulars here.

E - Magdalene Bridge

➔ Carry on up Bridge St, past St Clements church on the right, straight across the mini-roundabout and stop at the bridge over the river.

✳ The River Cam is famous for punting. You can see punts lined up on the riverside to your right (if you were *really* here you would already have been offered a punt ride by at least 3 or 4 'touts'!)

On the left a punt is being 'poled' along. In Cambridge punters stand on the raised platform at the back, while in Oxford they stand in the bottom of the boat (it's less elegant, but they fall in the water less often!).



? What is the last digit of the *Galleria* restaurant's phone number. This is **E**.

Got it? ok ...

F - Totem Pole

➔ Carry on up Magdalene St, to the traffic lights. On the pavement to your right (near the roadside) is a brass column, the 'Totem Pole'.

✳ The Archaeology Totem Pole commemorates 'digs' carried out near here, with bands in the design representing the different historical layers discovered. Finds included eight Anglo-Saxon skeletons and over 1800 medieval coins.

On the corner opposite the pole, the *Folk Museum* houses 20,000 objects - including mole paws carried by superstitious Fen people to protect against toothache and rheumatism!

? What is the last digit of the number of the road to Haverhill? This is **F**.

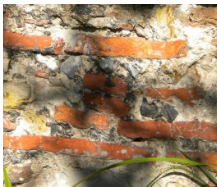
Got it? let's move on ...



G - St Peter's Church

➔ Go straight ahead up Castle St (with the museum on your left). Stop outside *Stars Barber* (on the right). Look left to see the St Peter's church.

✳️ Tiny St Peter's is the smallest church in Cambridge - a real 'hidden gem'. The church walls incorporate many flat Roman bricks which may have come from the Roman fort which stood to the left of Castle St, in the area behind *The Maharaja*. (Only some low earth banks from the fort remain, these are visible on Mount Pleasant if you want to make a detour.)



? How many pounds does *Stars Barber* charge for a hair wash? This is **G**.

Got it? nearly there ...

H - Castle Mound

→ Carry up Castle St past the *Castle Inn* on the right. Stop near the light blue 'Cambridgeshire County Council' sign.

* Look to your right and a little backwards. The mound you can just see amidst the trees behind the *Castle Inn* is Castle Mound where, in 1068, William the Conqueror built a motte and bailey castle.



→ 'Teleport' to the **top of Castle Mound** (N52 12.720 E000 06.888) for the best 360° views over Cambridge. Try to find one taken on a sunny day!

? On the top of the mound, how many **big** slabs of concrete are there (surrounded by all the little ones)? This is **H**.

Now you have all the numbers.
You just need to go to the 'secret location'...

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→ The secret location is at:

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