TEAM:

RECOMMANDATIONS:

- Restez toujours à portée de voix de votre professeur-maman poule.
- Faites attention lorsque vous traversez et traversez aux feux tricolores !
- Ne bousculez pas les gens en cherchant vos indices.
- De la même façon, ne vous regroupez pas en plein milieu du trottoir, en bloquant ainsi le passage aux gens qui vont travailler.
- Vous pouvez poser des questions, poliment, aux habitants, si vous perdez votre chemin.
**Step 1:** Your investigation begins at the Carfax Tower! This place is considered to be the centre of the city. What is the meaning of its name?

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**Enigma n°1:** If my colleague is on my right, what bell do I strike, the large one or the small one? Write the answer in your grid!

**Route:** With the entrance of the Carfax Tower behind you, turn left into Cornmarket Street, you have two enigmas to solve before you reach the junction between Broad Street and George Street at the end.

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**Enigma n°2:** Find the following, and write the name of a friend of John Davenant in your grid.

*John Davenant* (1565–1622) was the first child of the merchant vinter John Davenant and Judith Sparke. He grew up in London, and was educated at Merchant Taylors’ School.

In about 1593 he married Jane Sheppard. She was baptised at St Margaret’s, Westminster in 1568, the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Sheppard. Their first six children were born in London, but not all of them survived.

In about 1600 Davenant and his wife moved to Oxford, where he took over the wine tavern at 3 Cornmarket. This tavern had twenty rooms, and was owned by New College.

On 4 June 1604 Davenant was awarded his freedom, a bailiff’s place on the council, and one of the three city licences to sell wine. He appears to have had at least ten children, some possibly born earlier in London, as only four appear in the baptismal registers of St Martin’s Church:

- Two daughters (later Mrs Bridges and Mrs Sherburne)
- Jane (“third daughter”, later Mrs Hallam, baptised at St Martin’s Church on 11 February 1601)
- Robert (“eldest son”, baptised at St Martin’s Church on 14 April 1604)
- Alice (baptised at St Martin’s Church on 30 December 1604)
- William (“second son”, baptised at St Martin’s Church on 3 March 1605/6)
- Nicholas (“third son”, later an attorney according to Wood)
- John (named on monument as being Sir William Davenant’s brother)
- Thomas (named on monument as being Sir William Davenant’s brother)
- Elizabeth (later Mrs Bristow)

A rumour sprang up that Davenant’s son William (probably born in 1605/6) was in fact the child of Shakespeare. Thomas Hearne states that it was an Oxford tradition that “Mr Shakespear was his father and gave him his name”. Young William certainly grew up to be a playwright and poet.

**Enigma n°3:** In what year were the Queen’s own Oxfordshire hussar formed? Write the answer in your grid!

**Tip:** Next to a place where you can buy many things to be clean!

**Enigma n°4:** Find Oxford’s oldest building. What was the name of the prison within? Write it in your grid!
Route: turn right into Broad Street.

Find an old cross on the ground, in the middle of the Street, this is the place where Bloody Mary, a Catholic Queen, decided to kill three bishops. Did you find it? Bravissimo! Find a plaque where there is their three names.

Enigma n° 5: Write the shorter surname (among the three bishops!) in the grid!

Carry on walking, on the right-hand side of the road.

Enigma n° 6: Write the name of the library you will find on your left in the grid.

Enigma n° 6: This library is one of the biggest libraries in the world with a basement in which there more than 5kms of shelves, under Trinity College.

Enigma n° 7: In front of the library, there is the Museum of the History of Science and the Sheldonian Theatre, which was built by Christopher Wren, (who was, at the time, professor of Astronomy at the University). It is now a concert Hall, and a conference room. Write the first Latin word written above the door of the Sheldonian Theatre.

Route: at the end of Broad, go straight into Holywell Street.

Find the Roman equivalent of 32, and turn round. What is directly opposite?

Enigma n° 8: Write down the name of this place in the grid.

Carry on walking.
Enigma n° 9: Find the names of 4 martyrs, who died in July 1589. Write the surname of the one who has the longest first name in the grid.

J.R.R Tolkien lived at 99, Holywell from 1950 to 1953, he was a Merton Professor of English Language and Literature.

Mmmm... Interesting story...

**Route:** Carry on Longwall Street, stay on the right-hand side of the road, turn right into High Street, then right into Queen's Lane.

This bridge links together the old and new part of Hertford College, it is known as the Bridge of sighs because of its similarities to the famous bridge in Venice.

**Enigma n° 10:** When was it built? Write your answer in the grid!

Carry on walking in New College Lane.

In front of you, there is the Sheldonian Theatre, do you remember?

**Route:** Turn left into Catte Street.

On your right, there is a very famous library which can have one issue of each book published in Great-Britain.
Enigma n° 11: What is the name of this library? Write it in your grid!

Fun Facts

You will see many strange creatures like these ones, they're gargoyles (if there is water running from them) or grotesque (if there isn’t).

If you find some of them funny, take pictures of them! We’ll have an exposition about them, when we come back to France.

Fun Facts

The name Grotesque stems from the typically exaggerated forms and expressions of these carvings, while strictly speaking a gargoyle has a functional use, channelling rain water and spewing it out through its mouth (literally gargling!) to protect the stone work of the building from damp, discoloration, and decay.
Route: Turn left into High Street and cross the street (wait for your teacher, and always be very careful, it’s a very busy street!)

This is the most famous name for a street in the entire world!

Find which one is:
The nosepicker: N° ____
Envy: N° ____
Anger: N° ____
Pride: N° ____
Gluttony: N° ____
Disgust: N° ____
The jester: N° ____

Enigma n° 12: Write the name of grotesque number 11 in the grid!

Carry on walking! You will see this circular building:

There is a secret underground way between the library above and this building!
Enigma n°13 and 14: Find two Roberts, both accomplished in science. Write their name in the alphabetical order in the grid!

Tip: find the 10 coats of arms!

**Route:** Carry on walking, then turn right into Rose Lane, go through the gate at the end of the lane, and carry on on the walking path (follow the route on your map!), enjoy the walk!

First, you will see on your right Merton College (where J.R.R Tolkien used to teach English language and literature, do you remember?).

Then you will see Christ Church Cathedral, which is next to Christchurch College, which was the setting for some scenes of Harry Potter, especially its dining Hall! Picture below.

The name OXFORD comes from the word OX: _____________ and the word FORD: ____________, which is represented in the city’s coat of arms.

But Christchurch is also famous for another children’s book.

**Route:** When you get out of the Christ Church Meadows, turn right.

Enigma n°15: Find a shop with a little girl’s name on it. Write this name in your grid!

Tip: it’s next to a BLUE shop.

Lewis Carroll (who wrote _____________ in Wonderland), he came first as a Mathematics student, and he stayed there his entire life. He became friend with this little girl (she was the Dean’s daughter, and she had one brother, Harry and two sisters, Lorina and Edith. She used to go and buy her sweets in this little shop.
Route: Turn round (retrace your steps) and go on St Aldate's.

On your left, you will see this coat of arm, what is written below?

Enigma n° 16: Write the second word in the grid.

Near this place, find this object:

Enigma n° 17: Write the first word above the central slit in your grid.

Route: Carry on walking on St Aldgate's, then turn right on High Street.

Find the entrance of the covered market.

Enigma n° 18: Whose cookies are these? Write his name in the grid!

Enigma n° 19: Where’s the hat? Write this word in the grid.

Enigma n° 20: Where is Sofi from? Write the name of this country in the grid.
Write down your message on this parchment scroll!
It means crossroads.

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Richard Lionheart was born in Oxford, he spoke Occitan!