

MORTIMER WEST END TREASURE TRAIL

This route is 2.1 miles long and should take about an hour to an hour and a quarter at a very leisurely pace.

Turn left out of the village hall and immediately left into The Bridges. Walk to the end between the garages and the houses.

Question 1 is on the wire gate on your left.

At the end of the wire fence turn left into the wood. Be careful! There are nettles on both sides of you here. Don't take the left fork, but go straight ahead.

Question 2 is on a tree on your left.

Almost immediately, you meet a wider path. Bear right onto it. Keep going until you reach a T-junction.

Question 3 is on the tree opposite you in the middle of a pile of logs.

Turn left. Go downhill. At the bottom of the hill, bend to the right on the gravel path across the marshland.

Question 4 is on the lone tree at the end of the gravelled section.

The gravelled path now bears left. So leave the gravelled path and, keeping the lone tree on your right, go straight on towards a small wooden bridge and handrail. Cross the bridge - carefully as it can get slippery if wet – and continue up the hill. (On your way up you will pass an arrow, showing you the way.)

At the top of the hill you will reach an open area of grass and ferns (with an Englefield Estate sign).

Ignore the path to your right and continue straight on, on a wide grassy track.

Question 5 is on a tree on your left.

The Englefield woods are to your right. There are views over the fields to Church Road to your left.

At the end of this path, cross the gravel path and take the little track through the woods ahead of you.

Question 6 is on a tree on your right as you join this little track.

Go downhill through the woods, until you reach a major gravelled drive. Turn left onto the gravelled drive.

The lake can be seen on the right.

Question 7 is on a tree on the left below the Englefield Estate sign.

Follow the broad gravelled drive, passing the lake on your right. Immediately at the end of the lake turn right into a path along the side of the lake.

Question 8 is on a tree stump on your left.

Follow the lakeside path, as it moves into an area of trees and brambles – careful not to get scratched!

Ignore the path on the right leading across an open grassy area, past a lone tree, to the lakeside.

Question 9 is on a large tree on your right.

Continue along this path. Ignore the path going uphill on the left where your path bends slightly right. Look out for the arrow on the tree pointing the way! At the end of the path turn right onto a gravelled drive. Do not cross it! (Please note that vehicles and horses occasionally use these wider drives. So please keep children and dogs close.). The gravelled drive goes downhill.

Question 10 is on a large branchless tree on your left.

As the drive starts to go uphill again, there is a broad dirt track going uphill on your right. There is an arrow on the large tree on your right showing the way.

Question 11 is half way along this path, on a large tree on your right.

The path dips down and up at this point and can be very muddy, but you can loop round a tree on your left to avoid it, if necessary. Keep straight on.

Question 12 is on a tree with multiple trunks on your right.

Opposite the tree there is a path going uphill to the left. Turn left up this path. You emerge onto another broad gravelled drive. Turn right and almost immediately on your left there is a clearing.

Question 13 is on a tree just after the clearing.

Shortly after this several tracks meet to form a triangle ahead of you. Turn left. (There is then an arrow on the notice on your right to show you the way.) And then, just after the log pile on your right, turn right onto a grassy track. There is another arrow pointing the way.

Question 14 is on a tall thin tree, standing on its own, on the left of this grassy track.

Keep following the grassy track. Just before it ends, there is a large oak tree on your left.

Question 15 is on this large oak tree.

You should now see the Englefield Estate sign ahead of you, which we passed earlier. So retrace your steps back to the village hall. Turn left, to go downhill to the little bridge. Cross the bridge. Keep the lone tree on your left and follow the gravel path across the marshland, and then head uphill. (There's an arrow on the lone tree pointing the way.) At the top of the hill, at the first of the large wood piles, where the path turns from grass to earth, turn right. Follow this path back to the village hall. Remember, as buildings come into sight, to fork left through the nettles and out of the woods.

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(if you would like us to send you a certificate)

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