

## **Sparrow's Nest Scavenger Hunt**

This is a kid-friendly scavenger hunt (perfect for 5-10 year olds). Find the clues, solve the puzzle & enjoy the playground at the end.

Distance 0.7 kilometers / 0.4 miles

**Duration** 40 minutes

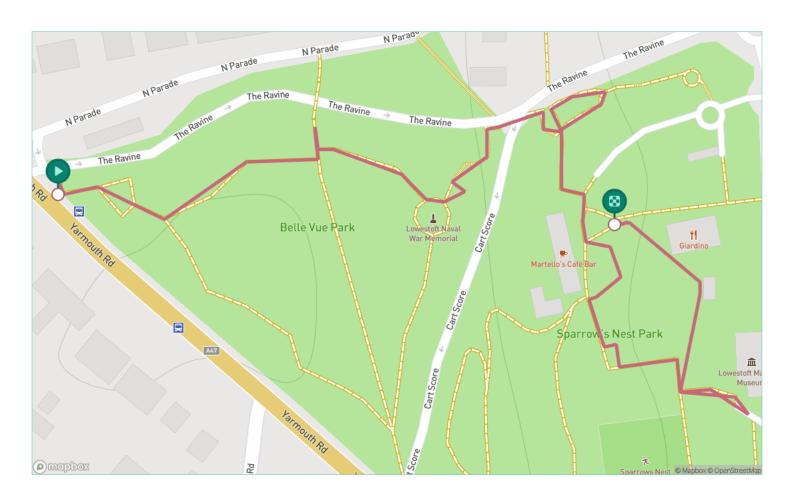
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**Step 1:** This walk starts at the entrance to Belle Vue Park on Yarmouth Road and the corner of Ravine. This entrance is served by bus routes X1, 101, 1A, 1 and SJL2.

**Step 2:** This is a kid-friendly puzzle hunt (perfect for 5-10 year olds). The walk has steps with some steep inclines and declines. Paths are predominantly tarmac but may be uneven in places.

Step 3: Q Can you help solve this scavenger hunt? You might want a pen & paper to note down the clues or use the phone. Keep your eyes peeled for the signs, they'll help you solve this puzzle.

**Step 4:** Before you enter the park. We have to collect our first clue. It's to the left of the entrance, on the corner of the Ravine.

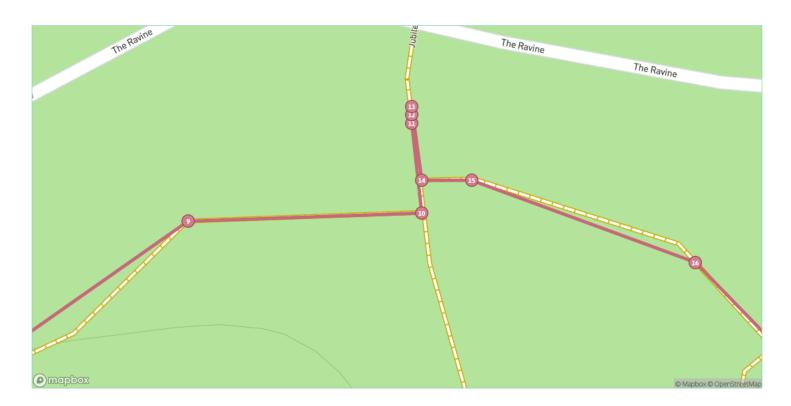
**Step 5:** Can you spot a sign for The Sparrows Nest? Underneath 'Coffee House' there are 3 words. Note down the third letter of the second word.

**Step 6:** Have you got that? You should have noted down "D". This is your first clue. Now retrace your steps back to the park entrance and make your way into Belle Vue Park.

**Step 7:** You'll pass by a sign which explains more about the park. To learn more tap the "Play" button below. ♀

**Step 8:** Keep to the left hand path in the park and continue ahead. Listen out for a neighbouring cockerel who we think lives off the Ravine.





**Step 9:** Continue on the path enjoying the shade from the trees. Look out for a footbridge coming up on the left hand side.

**Step 15:** Now you need to keep your eyes peeled for cannons. Can you see any? Walk towards them.

**Step 10:** Have you found the Jubilee footbridge? Here lies two clues so keep your eyes and ears peeled for instructions. Are you ready?

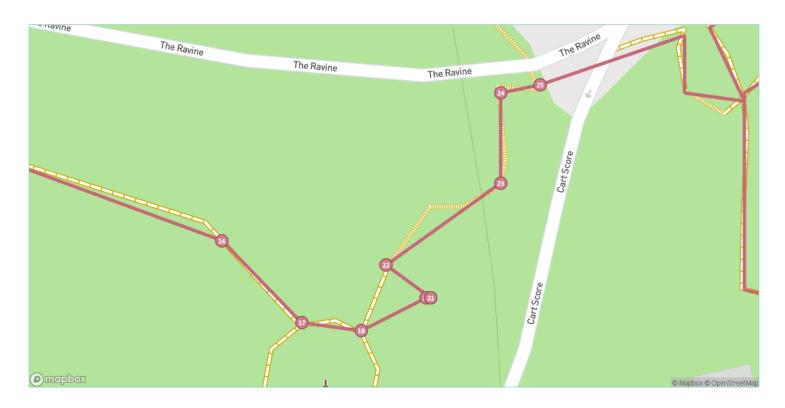
**Step 16:** Are you curious as to why these cannons are here? Tap the 'Play' button below to find out more.

**Step 11:** Can you find some beige plaques? What year was this bridge opened? Note down the first number in the year. Have you got that?

**Step 13:** Can you note down the first letter of the title of this special person? HINT: Her name was Victoria but her title was Queen.

**Step 14:** Great stuff little explorers. You should have the number "1" and the letter "Q" noted down. You now have 3 clues in total. D, 1 and Q. Now head back to the main path.





**Step 17:** Behind the cannons you'll see a giant memorial that honours members of Royal Naval Patrol Service (RNPS) whose lives were lost at sea.

**Step 18:** Can you spot something glistening at the top of the memorial? What is it?

**Step 19:** Now we need to try and find another memorial about the Falklands War. Can you see it, it's low down, made of bricks. It might be behind you.

**Step 20:** HINT: It's to the right of the steps. The monument honours Private Allen Parr. There are two months noted down. September and another one. It's the other one that is important.

**Step 21:** Can you note that the second letter of the second month that is mentioned on this plaque? ✓

**Step 22:** You should have noted down the letter "U". Now we need to head down the steps to make our way to Sparrow's Nest. Hold the handrail.

**Step 23:** Continue all the way down to the bottom of the steps and keep right to continue with us.

Step 24: Keep right.





**Step 25:** Cross over Cart Score carefully and head towards the entrance of Sparrow's Nest Park.

**Step 26:** Enter Sparrow's Nest Park.

**Step 27:** Follow the steps down and keep left.

**Step 28:** This rock garden is a lovely place to tune into nature. To find out more about nature connection, tap the 'Play' button below.

**Step 29:** Walk clockwise around this small enclosed garden and keep your eyes and ears peeled for good things in nature.

**Step 30:** Do you have a favourite flower or leaf? Can you hear any birds or bees?

**Step 31:** Can you name out loud all of the colours you can see all around you? How does nature make you feel?

**Step 32:** Keep walking around the small garden and head back to where you started. This isn't a pond but can you spot a fish anywhere around here?





**Step 33:** Have you spotted a fish? Could it be on the mural?

**Step 34:** Or maybe next to the mural! When you're ready, facing the fish, take the path on your left.

**Step 35:** Continue ahead on a slight incline. Enjoy the shade and shelter from the trees as you go.

**Step 36:** Keep going, head towards the cafe bar and restaurant. Can you see a sign for Martello's?

**Step 37:** Underneath the word Martello's, can you note down the first letter of the second word?

**Step 38:** Have you noted that down? You should have written down the letter "B". You just collected your 5th clue. Well done.

**Step 39:** Next up, we need you to find a pond. Can you see one anywhere?

**Step 40:** It should be just behind you. Take a closer look at the pond. Can you see any creatures in or on top of the water?





**Step 41:** Walk around the outskirts of the pond. Enjoy the trickling sounds of water. Hopefully it won't make you need a pee.

**Step 42:** If you do though there are toilets right behind the pond, next to Martello's. Phew! Head up the steps and keep left to head into the green.

**Step 43:** Now we're looking for our 6th clue. You will find it on a tall fire lamp also known as a beacon. Are there any beacons around?

**Step 44:** Found it? It commemorates a different Queen's Platinum... 'something'. What is the missing word? Can you note down the first letter of it?

**Step 45:** You should have noted down the letter "J". Now head towards the bowling green and turn left onto the footpath.

**Step 46:** Turn right at the finger post. We need you to try and find an old ship anchor and a mine. They're inside the park. Can you spot them?

Step 47: HINT: Make your way towards the Lowestoft Maritime Museum. Can you see the anchor?

**Step 48:** There is an old mine just outside the museum. Have you been in before?





**Step 49:** In Summer 2025 the museum was open 10am - 4pm everyday April to November. Adults: £2.00 Children (5-16 years): £0.50 Seniors: £1.00.

**Step 50:** Enjoy a wander around the museum if you like and then head back to the main path.

**Step 51:** Facing the green, turn right to walk around the outside of the green or you can walk on the grass if you like. We need to find a bandstand.

**Step 52:** Can you spot a bandstand? It holds our final clue. The Bandstand has a name. You might have to get up close to find it.

**Step 53:** Underneath the name is a plaque commemorating those who served in World War Two. What year did this world war end? Can you see it?

**Step 54:** It ended in 1945. Can you note down the 1st and 3rd numbers. Together they are very important and you should treat them as one clue.

**Step 55:** You should have written down '1' and '4'. Put them together to make the number '14'. You might also have seen that the bandstand is called the 'Europa Bandstand'. Tap the "Play" button to find out more more about this.

**Step 56:** Now make your way towards the benches by the children's play park. Take a seat and let's try to crack this puzzle.





**Step 57:** Great work explorers. You should have 7 clues written down like this and in this order: D, 1, Q, U, B, J and 14. Firstly, replace each letter with the letter before it in the alphabet. So for example B = A or S = R.

**Step 58:** The code should look like this now: C1PTAI14. Hmmm that's still not a proper word is it? 
② OK now you need to work out what letter the number represents in the alphabet. Clue: A = 1 and B = 2 and C = 3. Have you got that?

**Step 59:** Ahoy there CAPTAIN! **② ※** That's right you've got it. Do you know what a captain is?

**Step 60:** A captain is the person in charge of a big ship in the navy (like the HMS Europa). They are the boss who makes sure everyone works together to keep the ship safe and do important missions. A bit like what you've done today!

**Step 61:** We hope you enjoyed the little scavenger mission. Your prize is to go and have fun in the playground. You can find more walks in the app including another scavenger hunt like this in Nicholas Everitt Park in Oulton Broad.

