

# UNLOCK IT!

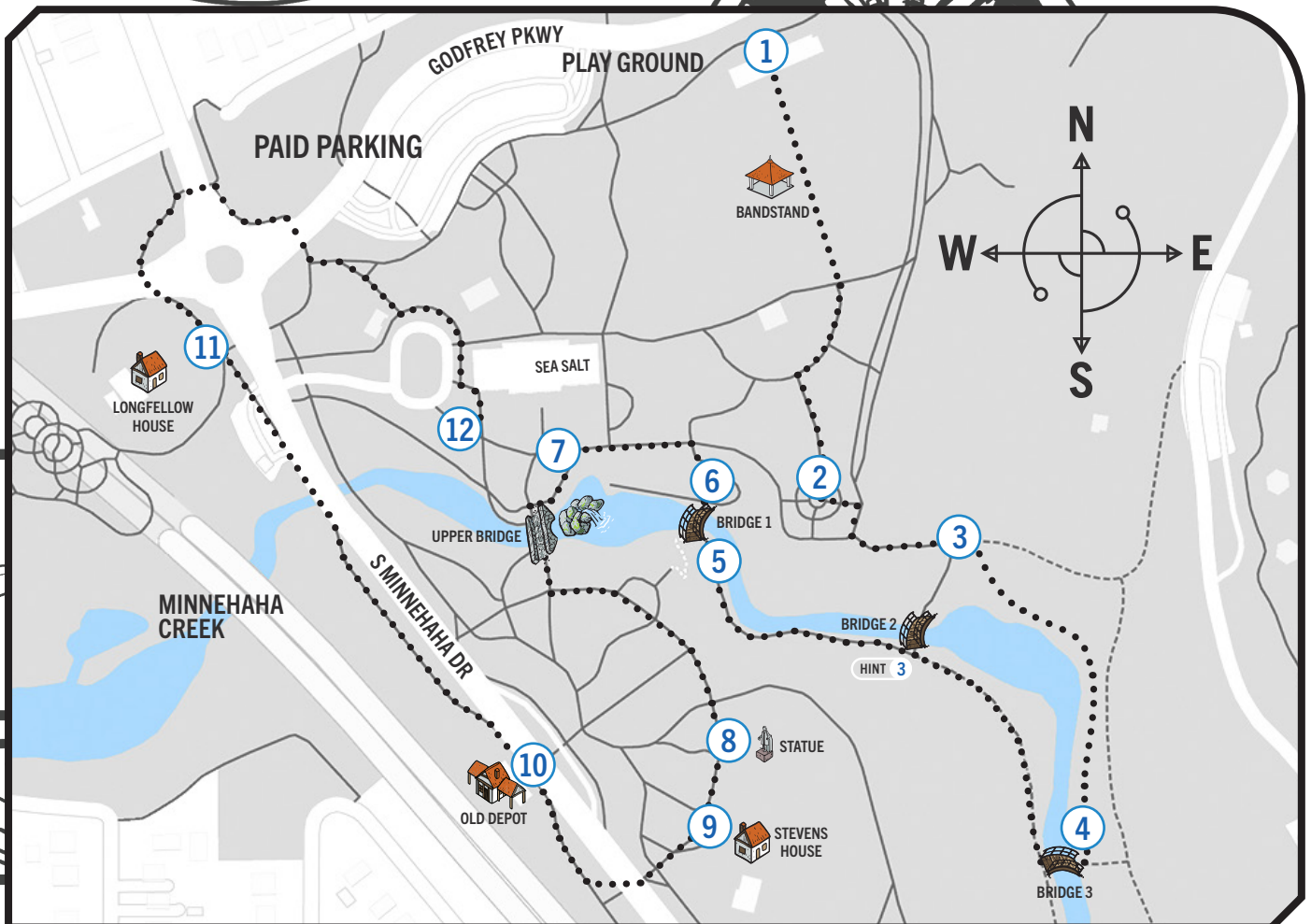
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## Minnehaha Falls, Minneapolis

Unlock It! is a fun adventure challenge for all ages. Using your feet, problem-solving ability and teamwork, follow the clues to reveal a set of letters. Once you have all the letters, unscramble them to form the keyword that solves this Unlock It!

*Hint: The keywords perfectly describe Minnehaha Park's purpose in the community.*



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The answers to the clues below reveal key letters needed to solve your *Unlock It!* adventure.

**CLUE** Name the 3 different animals (plural) found at the playground (write answers below).  
The third letter of the animal with the longest name is the key letter for clue 1.

**1**    \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUE** Walk past the bandshell and continue to the fountain garden. At the garden, add up the number of benches that circle the fountain and the number of tiers on the fountain.

**2** \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ What letter is that number in the alphabet?

**CLUE** Go down the staircase nearest to the garden. At the bottom, look up to the vast grassy hillside. This is where another falls used to come through, and is now referred to as the ... (Need a better clue? Keep going)

**3**  \_\_\_\_\_ **F A L L S**

Clue 3 Hint: Find the Master Map mounted on the rock by bridge 2. The map has a list of keys; #2 gives the answer to Clue 3. (\_\_\_\_ Falls Marker)

**CLUE** Follow the trail along the creek downstream to bridge 3. Cross the bridge to walk upstream and take a look back at the bridge. What is the shape that supports the bridge?

**4** \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUE** Continue upstream. Just before bridge 1 is a rest area made by large stone benches. How many stones are there? Spell out the number.

**5**  \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUE** Cross the bridge by the falls and proceed to the staircase. Count each flight of steps as you climb. Three flights have the exact same number of steps. What is the #?

**6** \_\_\_\_\_ What letter is that number in the alphabet?

**CLUE** Near the upper bridge above the falls, find the historical marker commemorating a visit by three politicians in 1964. What were their jobs?

**7** **P** \_\_\_\_\_ **S** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUE** Cross the upper bridge and hike southeast on the trail going through the two long pergolas to the statue of Gunnar W. Find the artist's carved signature. What is his last name?

**8** **C. J.**  \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUE** Continue to the Stevens House. This historical site is known as the birthplace of Minneapolis and what else?

**9**  \_\_\_\_\_ **O** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUE** Take the crosswalk to the railroad. What was the affectionate nickname given to the little depot by railroad workers in the late 1800's?

**10** " \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_ "

**CLUE** Proceed northwest on the walkway to the historical Longfellow House. What color is it painted?

**11** \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUE** By making it this far, you've earned a triple vowel bonus. Write the three different vowels that are in the name of the falls?

**12**

Carry down the letters from the clues above into the placeholder shown for each clue #.

Clue # 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 12 12

Now complete your *Unlock It!* adventure by unscrambling the letters into your keyword.

**Congratulations!**



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