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The Monument

Fish Street Hill

62 metres tall — and 62 metres from the Pudding Lane spot where the Fire began, in 1666.

DID YOU KNOW?

Wren and Hooke built it to double as a giant telescope, with a lab in the basement.

MISSION

Find the plaque with the year the Monument was completed.



CHRONO BONUS

Spot the dragon in the west-side carvings — sketch it.



The Philpot Lane Mice

25 Eastcheap

Two mice fighting over cheese — London's smallest monument, born from a workman's lunchtime row.

DID YOU KNOW?

Philpot Lane is named for a mayor who paid from his own purse for ships to fight pirates.

MISSION

Below the mice: find the shell, and the architect's name in it.



CHRONO BONUS

Look up at the dogs and pigs hiding in the eaves — sketch one.



The Woodford Stones

behind The Scalpel, Lime Street

Four colossal carvings — Fire, Air, Water, Earth — once high on the old Lloyd's, now at eye level.

DID YOU KNOW?

Their sculptor, James Woodford, also made the Queen's Beasts for the 1953 coronation.

MISSION

On the Water panel, count the fish. On the Air panel, count the birds.



CHRONO BONUS

Find the furious-looking sheep on the Earth panel.



Fen Court Garden

Fenchurch Avenue

A secret garden between the towers, with a brick labyrinth and the sculpture 'The Gilt of Cain'.

DID YOU KNOW?

A church once stood in the middle of this street until the Great Fire burnt it away.

MISSION

Find the plaque at the sculpture. What year was the law changed?



CHRONO BONUS

Walk the labyrinth to its centre — one path, no dead ends.



Leadenhall Market

Gracechurch Street

A Victorian iron-and-glass market on the site of the Roman forum. You may know it as Diagon Alley.

DID YOU KNOW?

Old Tom the goose dodged the dinner plate and lived at the market for 38 years.

MISSION

Count the silver City dragons in the ironwork.



CHRONO BONUS

Find the blue door on Bull's Head Passage — the Leaky Cauldron.



The Mercers' Maiden

Corbet Court

A crowned lady carved on the wall — the badge of the Mercers, the guild of fine-fabric traders.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Mercers rank first of all the City's ancient guilds — and no one knows who she is.

MISSION

Find the year the maiden was carved.



CHRONO BONUS

Draw the Mercers' Maiden.



Cornhill Alleys & Pasqua Rosee

St Michael's Alley

A maze of medieval alleys. In a shack by the church wall, Pasqua Rosee sold London its first coffee.

DID YOU KNOW?

Coffee houses were called 'penny universities': a penny bought a cup and clever talk.

MISSION

Find the blue plaque — what year did the coffee house open?



CHRONO BONUS

Peer into Bengal Court's first window — whose bust is it?



Three Water Features

Royal Exchange Buildings

A pump of 1799, a fountain of 1911, and 'La Maternité' — a statue so scandalous the Victorians fainted.

DID YOU KNOW?

La Maternité's sculptor, Jules Dalou, fled Paris and taught art here in exile.

MISSION

On La Maternité, find the dates. There is more than one.



CHRONO BONUS

Find the four fire-office badges on the old pump.



French Protestant Church

Threadneedle Street

Given to Huguenot refugees. It survived the Great Fire — then, centuries later, a road took it.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our word 'refugee' comes from these Huguenots — réfugiés who fled France for safety.

MISSION

Find the plaque. What year was the church demolished?



CHRONO BONUS

Name three signs that London still welcomes newcomers today.



Lloyd's of London

Leadenhall Street

The 'inside-out building': Richard Rogers put the lifts, stairs and pipes on the OUTSIDE.

DID YOU KNOW?

Inside hangs the Lutine Bell — rung once for a ship lost, twice for one safely home.

MISSION

In the old archway: when did King George V lay the stone?



CHRONO BONUS

Count the outside lifts.

Keep your eyes peeled

Tick these off anywhere along the walk.



A golden dragon

the City's guardian — on posts and shields



A ghost sign

an old painted advert fading on the bricks



A blue plaque

'someone remarkable was here'



A boundary mark

a little plate where two old parishes meet



A date carved in stone

buildings are proud of their birthdays



A livery badge

each ancient guild has its own crest



A weather-vane

which way is the wind, up on the roofs?



A narrow alley

the best ways through the City hide down these