

The 2018 Treasure Hunt

Answer Key

<http://happinessboard.com/TreasureHunt2018.html>

Assemble the 3D icosahedron by matching up the quotes to learn the next URL.



<http://happinessboard.com/0256219282698508521696860601815051.html>

Note the hint on the web page.

Complete the Kakuro puzzle.

The eight shaded pairs of numbers are "73," "61," "53," "13," "36," "42," "98," and "84."

As such, a "3" goes in the seventh spot of the URL.

A "1" goes in the sixth spot.

A "3" goes in the fifth spot.

A "3" also goes in the first spot.

A "6" goes in the third spot.

A "2" goes in the fourth spot.

An "8" goes in the ninth spot.

A "4" goes in the eighth spot.

(And since no pair started with a "2," a zero goes in the second spot.)

<http://happinessboard.com/306231348.html>

Solve this puzzle in the manner explained in Chapter 0006 of Ready Player One.

<http://happinessboard.com/Illusory.html>

The string contains 121 characters. Arrange them in eleven rows of eleven characters. Then read up and down to get both the phone number to call when you have the code and the next URL.

<http://happinessboard.com/37428562.html>

The greatest digit in the Kakuro puzzle adjacent to the "1" is an "8."

The greatest digit adjacent to the "3" is a "9."

The greatest digit adjacent to the "4" is an "8."

The greatest digit adjacent to the "5" is a "9."

The greatest digit adjacent to the "6" is a "4."

The greatest digit adjacent to the "7" is a "3."

The greatest digit adjacent to the "8" is a "9."

The greatest digit adjacent to the "9" is an "8."

(And there is still no "2," so the second digit is still a "0.")

(Final Numerical Code: 8 0 9 8 9 4 3 9 8)

(Here is a full list of the literary references from the original icosahedron.)

1984

by George Orwell

He accepted everything. The past was alterable. The past had never been altered.
Oceania was at war with Eastasia. Oceania had always been at war with Eastasia.

Animal Farm

by George Orwell

There was nothing there now except a single Commandment.
It ran: "All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others."

Atlas Shrugged

by Ayn Rand

"I swear by my life . . . and my love of it . . .
that I will never live for the sake of another man . . .
nor ask another man . . . to live . . . for mine."
It did not startle her, it seemed unastonishing
and almost unimportant, that at the end of the last sound,
she saw the door opening slowly, without human touch,
moving inward upon a growing strip of darkness.

A Brave New World

by Aldous Huxley

"My baby. My baby . . .!" "Mother!" The madness is infectious.
"My love, my one and only, precious, precious . . ."
He pierced it twenty times. There were twenty piddling little fountains.

Bunnacula

by Deborah and James Howe

"He's a bunny and we found him at a Dracula movie,
so we'll call him Bunny-cula. *Bunnacula!*"

By The Great Horn Spoon

by Sid Fleischman

Jack very nearly jumped a foot. "By the Great Horn Spoon!" he yelled. "Look!"

The Call of the Wild

by Jack London

But Thornton fell on his knees beside Buck.
Head was against head, and he was shaking him back and forth.

Charlotte's Web

by E.B. White

"But no - with men it's rush, rush, rush, every minute. I'm glad I'm a sedentary spider."

A Clockwork Orange

by Anthony Burgess

"That's a fair gloopy title. Who ever heard of a clockwork orange?"

A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court

by Mark Twain

I followed their eyes, as sure as guns, there was my eclipse beginning!

Dangerous Minds

by LouAnn Johnson

"You can't pay me back until your graduation day."

The DaVinci Code

by Dan Brown

The dials were no longer at random.
They spelled a five-letter word: APPLE.

Dune

by Frank Herbert

Great Mother! He's the Kwisatz Haderach!

East of Eden

by John Steinbeck

You must not forget that a monster is only a variation,
and that to a monster the norm is monstrous.
It is my belief that Cathy Ames was born with the tendencies,
or lack of them, which drove and forced her all of her life.

Ender's Game

by Orson Scott Card

Ender didn't understand. It seemed all wrong. They were supposed to be angry.

The Eyes of the Dragon

by Stephen King

They never did, but Peter never forgot the lesson:
He always used his napkin, even when those around him did not.

Fantastic Voyage

by Isaac Asimov

The antibodies were all about them, but making chiefly for Cora.

The Fountainhead

by Ayn Rand

On the morning of November 2 the New York *Banner* came out with the column, "One Small Voice" by Ellsworth M. Toohey subtitled "Sacrilege." It read as follows:
"The time has come, the walrus said, to talk of many things:
Of ships - and shoes - and Howard Roark - and cabbages - and kings -
and why the sea is boiling hot - and whether Roark has wings."

Frindle

by Andrew Clements

"This object belongs to Mrs. Lorelei Granger, and she may call it any name she chooses."

The Giver

by Lois Lowry

"Twenty," he heard the voice say clearly. "Pierre."
She skipped me, Jonas thought, stunned.

The Giving Tree

by Shel Silverstein

"Come, By, sit down. Sit down and rest."
And the boy did. And the tree was happy.

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows

by J.K. Rowling

"NOT MY DAUGHTER, YOU BITCH!"

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

by J.K. Rowling

"Good luck, Harry," he murmured.
He turned on his heel and with a swish of his cloak, he was gone.

The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy

by Douglas Adams

I wonder if it will be friends with me?
And the rest, after a sudden wet thud, was silence.

The Hobbit

by J.R.R. Tolkien

All that is gold does not glitter, not all those who wander are lost.

The Hunchback of Notre Dame

by Victor Hugo

The man to whom it had belonged had therefore come there of himself and died there.
When the tried to detach this skeleton from the one it embraced, it crumbled to dust.

Interview with the Vampire

by Anne Rice

“I see,” said the vampire thoughtfully, and slowly
he walked across the room towards the window.

Ishmael

by Daniel Quinn

“WITH MAN GONE, WILL THERE BE HOPE FOR GORILLA?”

Jurassic Park

by Michael Crichton

“We picked up another compy.” “From *where*?” “I don’t know!”

Les Misérables

by Victor Hugo

“The sun was shining, I wasn’t cold.
Do you remember, Monsieur Marius?
Oh! I’m happy! We’re all going to die.”

The Lorax

by Dr. Seuss

“UNLESS someone like you cares a whole awful lot,
nothing is going to get better. It’s not.”

Lord of the Flies

by William Golding

Then the monstrous red thing bounded across the neck
and he flung himself flat while the tribe shrieked.
The rock struck Piggy a glancing blow from chin to knee,
the conch exploded into a thousand white fragments and ceased to exist.

The Martian

by Andy Weir

[12:15] WATNEY: Look! A pair of boobs! -> (. Y .)

Matilda

by Roald Dahl

“Don’t lie to me, Bogtrotter!” barked the Trunchbull.
“The cook saw you! What’s more, she saw you eating it!”

My Love, My Love

by Rosa Guy

The Hotel Beauxhomme grew busy and busier
as the day of the wedding approached.

Pastwatch: The Redemption of Christopher Columbus

by Orson Scott Card

“I dreamed that they watched me three times,” Putukam was saying,
“and the woman seemed to know that I could see her.”

Planet of the Apes

by Pierre Boulle

“A likely story,” said Jinn at last, forcing a smile to his lips.
Phyllis remained wrapped in thought. Certain parts of the story
had moved her and seemed to contain a germ of truth.

The Princess Bride

by William Goldman

“Eternity is our fwiend, wemember that,
and wuv wiw fowwow you fowever.”

The Pushcart War

by Jean Merrill

It is my ambition when I grow up to be the Pushcart Queen. Alice Myles, Age 10.

Rita Hayworth and the Shawshank Redemption

by Stephen King

Andy told me once that all of geology is the study of pressure.

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead

by Tom Stoppard

“Heads. Heads. Heads. Heads. Heads.”
“There is an art to the building up of suspense.”

The Scarlet Letter

by Nathaniel Hawthorne

“On a field, sable, the letter A, gules.”

The Scarlet Pimpernel

by Baroness Orczy

“And their driver?” muttered Bibot, as a superstitious shudder ran down his spine. “*Sacré tonnerre*,” said the captain, “but it is feared that it was that accursed Englishman himself - the Scarlet Pimpernel.”

“Surely You’re Joking, Mr. Feynmann!”

by Richard Feynmann

“Yeah, I took the door.” “Cut it out Feynmann; this is *serious*!”

A Tale of Two Cities

by Charles Dickens

“Are you dying for him?” “And his wife and child. Hush! Yes.”

The Trumpet of the Swan

by E.B. White

His mind was on Serena, the swan of his choice, the beautiful dreamer.

Uncle Shelby’s ABZ Book

by Shel Silverstein

X is for xylophone . . . because X is always for xylophone!

Wicked

by Gregory Maguire

Beneath the spit of the mother’s fluids the infant glistened a scandalous shade of pale emerald.

A Wizard of Earthsea

by Ursula K. LeGuin

Thus, that which gives us the power to work magic, sets the limits of that power.



The puzzle/prize -- front view



The puzzle/prize -- rear view

Inside (cushioned by tissue paper for safety in shipping) was a sack of 100 various kinds of U.S. dollar coins, plus the instructions on how to reset the puzzle's combination.

(Of course, the winner will need to get the cryptex open *first* before being able to reset the combination to something new...)

Thanks for playing, everyone!

Edric