

UMBC Scavenger Hunt Rules.

1. All Scavenger Hunt participants must belong to a “team,” which must be a group consisting of no fewer than two people, and no more than 20 people. These “teams” shall cooperatively attempt to acquire or fulfill all of the items on the Scavenger Hunt List.
2. You may add people to your team at any time, provided they are not already part of another team and do not increase your team size beyond the legal maximum. People who are not affiliated with any Scav Hunt team are permitted to help your team only by providing items, tools, and information.
3. The Hunt lasts for 86.5 hours. Lists are released online on the first day, and Judgment of Items begins promptly at 2:30 PM of the fourth day on Main Street.
4. All items on the list can be obtained legally. Please keep it that way, as neither the Scavenger Hunt Organization nor Project X will be held responsible if you or any part of your team ends up in trouble with the authorities, in jail, or having done something that really wish they hadn’t.
5. Although each list item is called an “item”, it could also be a person (possibly deceased), a place, a nonphysical thing, or an impossible action.
6. If an item description calls for a real, tangible object, please do not bring us a photograph of that object instead. If an item calls for an action, we may be looking for video/photo proof that you did it, or maybe we want you to perform it a Judgment of Items. You figure it out.
7. Photos should only be digitally edited when explicitly required. And when we say “take a picture,” we don’t mean out of a shoe box or off the Internet.
8. Absolutely no sabotage or theft of other teams’ items, lists, or players. We will *not* tolerate cheaters. We want fair play here, and sabotage in all forms is sufficient grounds for immediate disqualification and also we could strongly dislike you forever.
9. Points shall be awarded by the judges according to the value assigned to each item. Judges may, by general judge vote, choose to award additional points for outstanding items.
10. All decisions made by the judges are so final that not even the judges themselves can take them back, so there’s really no point in making any sort of appeal. Sorry.
11. Contrary to popular expression, the real winners of the UMBC Scavenger Hunt are not those who have the most fun, but are, in fact, merely the ones who score the most points.
12. If you don't end up having fun, you're probably doing it wrong, though.

2008 UMBC Scavenger Hunt List

1. _____ The 2008 UMBC Scavenger Hunt List. [1 point.]
2. _____ Collect no more than 4 single-serving snack foods whose caloric content sums to exactly 257. [25.7 points.]
3. _____ Faithfully reenact one of the Grimm Fairy Tales in under or exactly 30 seconds. [1 point per second, -5 points per excess second.]
4. _____ Give us your best transcript of a Telephone Pictionary™ game. [3 points.]
5. _____ Find a fanfic based on a classic work of literature. We define “classic” as “more than 30 years old and notable enough for Wikipedia.” [10 points, 10 bonus points if it is so bad that it makes us audibly groan even after we have steeled ourselves not to do so.]
6. _____ A peer-reviewed journal article about the paranormal or extraterrestrial. [5 points.]
7. _____ U.S. state postcards. [1 point per card, 25 bonus points for 25 cards, or 50 bonus points for the full 50.]
8. _____ A comic book not published by DC, Marvel, or Dark Horse. [7 points.]
9. _____ It's a bunch of random squares? It's an abstract painting? It's... a programming language? [16.666667 points.]
10. _____ Send a message to a U.S. Congressperson about an issue important to you. Please retain a copy of the message for our records. [20 points.]
11. _____ Please... draw me a sheep. Actually, don't bother; just get me the book. [5 points, or 20 points for the original French.]
12. _____ Recens liber, scriptus in Latina lingua. [Duodecim puncti.]
13. _____ The Philosopher's Stone. [1,000 points. 10 points for just a recipe.]
14. _____ A book from a series about a supernatural vehicle driven by a slightly insane schoolteacher. Not, it's not Stephen King – too many pictures. [14 points.]
15. _____ A poster, picture, CD, or cool shoeshine from a two-man band with four members. [4 points.]
16. _____ Yes, it turns you invisible and makes you go crazy, we know, but what on Middle-Earth is that writing? Original text in tongue of Mordor, please, *not* an English translation. [8 points.]
17. _____ The U.S. Adam, with Jack the wife: he was the hypercharismatic telepathical knight. [3 points.]
18. _____ Who won the Ultimate Showdown, again? Remind me. [3 points.]
19. _____ A flag from the Southern Confederacy. [18.61 points.]
20. _____ A display showing and identifying the leaves of up to 10 types of trees from the Baltimore area. [2 points per type correctly identified.]

21. _____ The backboard from a middle school science fair project. Alternatively, you could just make it yourself, as long as you do the experiment, too. [13 points.]
22. _____ What's *your* sign? Bring us horoscopes from at least 5 different daily newspapers, all printed on the same day. [14 points, 2 bonus points for each over the minimum.]
23. _____ A photo of a member of your team hanging out at a UMBC pedestrian tunnels. *Hanging out, you get me?* [3 points.]
24. _____ The biggest Swiss Army knife you can find. [2 points per utility.]
25. _____ A greeting card, featuring a bird. [4 points.]
26. _____ A Boy Scout merit badge or Girl Scout patch. [5 points.]
27. _____ A silver dollar. [12 points.]
28. _____ Thirteen half-dollar pieces. [31 points.]
29. _____ "I want to play the Dreamcast!" "No, the Nintendo!" "No, guys, let's play on the PS3!" "I'm feeling like Atari, personally." Well, it looks like we can't decide, so just bring them all. [2 points per kind of television-based gaming system, with at least one controller; other wires and television not necessary.]
30. _____ It's Business Time: show us your last article of clothing. [2 points.]
31. _____ *Nixon in China*. [12 points.]
32. _____ A potato chip, gnawed to look like a U.S. state. [X points. More points for greater detail and for more ambitious choices.]
33. _____ University of Chicago sure has a great Scav Hunt, huh? They seem to know what they're doing, so maybe we'll just steal all their ideas: find item #268 from the 2007 list. [10 points.]
34. _____ A three-sided die. [3 points.]
35. _____ An old iPod with the 5-button interface. [14 points.]
36. _____ Color yourself a nonhuman color on all areas of exposed skin from 8AM to 8PM and give us the photos to prove it. [40 points.]
37. _____ Attack of the Fifty-Foot Scav Hunt Contestant: *It Came From UMBC!* [8 Photoshopped (or GIMPed) points.]
38. _____ Show us why role playing games are the devil, Mr. Chick. Show us in that glorious black and white that you do so well. [18 points.]
39. _____ A pointy hat. [9 points.]
40. _____ An angry hat. So, is the hat *itself* angry, or is for wearing when *you're* angry? Or it *makes* you or those around you angry? We'd hate making you choose, so we won't. [4 points per angry purpose.]
41. _____ Something you can sing that can't be sung. [6 points.]
42. _____ Something you can do that can't be done. [8 points.]

43. _____ Okay, those last two items might be impossible, but that doesn't matter, since *this* one is all you need: show it to the judges at judgment, through whatever tokens or actions you choose. Yes, it's all you need. [X points. -50 point penalty if the recipient judges feel downright offended, so have some tact.]
44. _____ We're fresh out of fifties and we don't have time to roll doubles. Come on, there must be some way you can help a fella out of the big house. [12 points.]
45. _____ Welcome to Hell: make us a travel brochure excellent enough to make us want to get damned. Optionally, see Dante and Milton, if you need some inspiration. [10 point minimum.]
46. _____ You probably remember the scandal over his dog fighting ring, but did you also know that he is a member of Al Qaeda? Give us all the reasons why prosecution deserves every penny of his \$63,000,000,000.00 billion. [7 points.]
47. _____ *Actually* draw me a sheep. [2 points; 11 and 9 bonus points for the best and second best woolly sketch.]
48. _____ A functional remote-controlled model airplane. [24 points.]
49. _____ A vinyl record by a band that some of the judges have never heard of. [2 points per judge.]
50. _____ A limited warranty. [12 points.]
51. _____ A coupon for X% off. Discount must be expressed as a percent. [(X / 6) points.]
52. _____ You just lost The Game. [0 points.]
53. _____ Please have a representative present from your team. "Present where?" you ask? No, a representative *present*. Naturally, he or she should come wrapped – and don't forget the air holes. [20 points, 15 bonus points for the best prepared one.]
54. _____ An easel. A board with paints. Your unfinished masterpiece of AOK. [14 points, 5 points, and 6 points, respectively.]
55. _____ Four score and seven years ago, I put on this hat and grew this nearly-trimmed beard, and I've never taken either off since. [10 points.]
56. _____ Maybe the cake is a lie, but you could make a paper maché model of your best friend that you murdered, if it'll make you feel better. Yeah, remember that time when he weighted down all those buttons for you? Good times. [25 points.]
57. _____ Use any other item on this list to make us lose The Game. [+2 points.]
58. _____ UMBC faculty and staff *LOVE* high fives! [2 points per professor, 4 points per dean, 6 points per provost, 15 points for Hrabowski. Max 10 persons high-fived. Photographic or video evidence required.]
59. _____ Extreme Ironing! Let's see you iron in some EXTREME places! [8 points for two places.]
60. _____ Three cups, a ball, and a duped judge. [3 points, 1 point, and 15 points, respectively.]

61. _____ Concentration. Sixty-Four. No repeats. Or hesitations. I'll go first. You'll go second. Category is: UMBC Clubs and Organizations. [1 point per organization named at Judgment.]
62. _____ "Golly, I've been so busy with all this UMBC Scav Hunt nonsense, I've forgotten to check my phone! Oh, what's this? One hundred missed calls?" [10 points for at least 100 missed calls. 7 bonus points for the highest we see at judgment. *Hint:* we want to see a number, not a list.]
63. _____ What's in that question box? A mushroom? A star? I guess the only way to know is by hitting it really hard with our heads! [7 points. Hitting it with your head not actually required.]
64. _____ We can has Scav-themed lolcat picture? Kthxbai. [9 points.]
65. _____ Yo mama. No, really, have a team member bring his or her biological or legally adoptive mother to Judgment of Items. [15 points.]
66. _____ Be the first person to post on the Be the Initial Poster on This Facebook Group's Wall Facebook group's wall. [10 points.]
67. _____ A computer running any Windows operating system, displaying a genuine Blue Screen of Death. [5 points.]
68. _____ *Throw it away / Forget yesterday / You'll make the greatest cape:* make a cape that puts Zorro to shame, and sing a verse that puts Boys Like Girls to shame, too. [2 points and 10 points, respectively. 3 bonus points for the greatest greatest cape.]
69. _____ Someone who regrets his or her decision to study abroad. [5 points.]
70. _____ A photograph of at least 3 people in which all people are in mid-jump. [2 points per person clearly identified as jumping, max 20 points.]
71. _____ A sword duel in the Commons? Boy, good thing I have my camera with me! [7 points.]
72. _____ The aliens! They're... what? No! They have mind control! We need, like... yeah! Tin foil hats? Yeah, tin foil is good, but its not very... like, not very stylish. We gotta have style. The aliens hate style. I need something more... a sombrero! I'll make a stylin' tin sombrero to protect me! From the mind control rays! [16 points.]
73. _____ A french fry. [2 points.]
74. _____ A program from a theatrical production currently on Broadway. [10 points.]
75. _____ "*Will it Blend? That is the question.*" This week's item: a deck of playing cards. [12 points.]
76. _____ JELL-O™ wrestling. [6 points.]
77. _____ Wrestling JELL-O™. [6 points.]
78. _____ A flyer for the New Student Scavenger Hunt. [7 points.]

79. _____ *At UMBC*
A staircase meets a river
Find it. [Fifteen points.]
80. _____ Something incredible. [X points.]
81. _____ Longest extension cord chain. [8 points for the longest.]
82. _____ At Judgment, one person will eat X saltines in under a minute. $[(0.5 * X^2 - X - 2) \text{ points.}]$
83. _____ At the She Plays Bass Café, you play your instrument of choice (or give some other appropriate performance). Don't forget to shout out to your team – we'll hear you. [9 points.]
84. _____ If you don't wear your "I wasn't using that *habeas corpus* anyway," button/sticker/patch, then the terrorists win. [3 points.]
85. _____ A homemade baked good. [7 points. Surrender of this item may be required for full points.]
86. _____ Rock out with your wok out. [9 points.]
87. _____ UMBC's statues are lonely. Get photos of your team spending quality time with the various statues on campus. [1 point per statue.]
88. _____ Whoa! Is that a person who is about to jump into the Baltimore Inner Harbor for Scav Hunt points?? Oh my gosh, it is! It *is* a person who is about to jump into the Inner Harbor for Scav Hunt points! [14 points.]
89. _____ A UMBC Scav Hunt Trophy. [30 points for the best, 20 points for second best, 15 points for third; 8 points for alsorans.]
90. _____ A crane made out of folded paper. [1 point for the bird, 7 points for the construction equipment.]
91. _____ So many villains nowadays just don't care about *laugh*, you know? Show us that at least you care about evil standards. [6 points for the best evil laugh.]
92. _____ A scavenger. [5 points.]