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Pay close attention during your visit and then complete the following tasks.



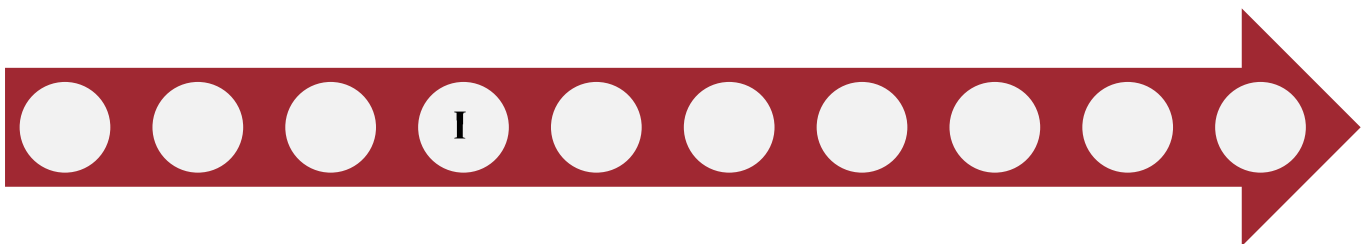
Hi there! I am Uli! What is your name?

(fill in your name) Did you know that Jan van Eyck is a member of a painting society? As a young owl, I already dreamt of becoming a member!

Unfortunately, I don't know their names or the place where they meet... Can you help me find them? You can find letters by completing the following tasks. When you have discovered all the letters, you will find the solution.

Let's fly through time. Can you place the following 10 people or events in chronological order? Look at the timeline to help you.

Letter	Event or person	Year
A.	Plague doctor	
B.	Joan of Arc	
C.	First Crusades	
D.	Columbus	
E.	French Revolution	
F.	Independence of Belgium	
G.	End of WWII	
H.	Bruges divided in administrative districts	
I.	Jan van Eyck in Bruges	1435
J.	Concertgebouw (Concert Hall)	





We will take a boat to see if the society meets in the harbour. Connect the right boat with the right name. Then circle the boat with which we can enter Bruges.



Cog



Caravel



Flat-bottom



Galley

We have reached the harbour! Can you see which products used to arrive here? You can try to find the words in the word search puzzle.



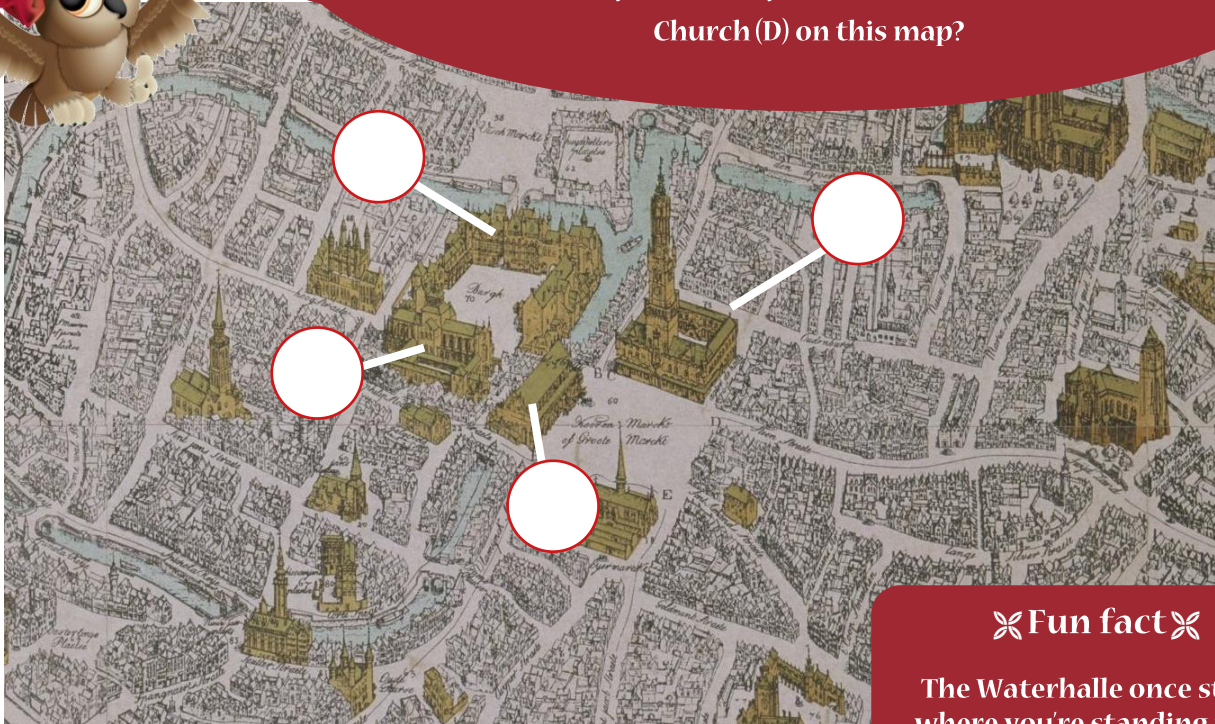
Find the following words:

- alum - gems - gold - iron - copper - malachite - oil - rosary - figs - dates - oak wood - grain - ivory - leather - tangerine - oil lamp - fur - wine - grapes - fruit - charcoal - crimson - lily - paper - spices - silver

T	Y	L	E	Y	K	X	G	C	N	H	T	O	L	J	K	G	D
W	M	R	E	Y	G	X	R	X	V	S	I	L	V	E	R	O	K
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G	R	L	U	T	E	S	Q	T	Y	C	O	U	P	A	P	E	R
L	E	A	T	H	E	R	O	I	B	U	U	R	C	I	R	O	N
X	V	A	T	V	Z	G	A	S	G	R	A	I	N	K	J	Q	X



We already found some clues to the name. Now we will fly over Bruges to search for the location of the secret society. Can you point out the Waterhalle (A), the Belfry (B), the City Hall (C) and St. Donatian's Church (D) on this map?



✧ Fun fact ✧

The Waterhalle once stood where you're standing now.



Let's go to Jan van Eyck's workshop, I am sure we will find a clue there!

Wow, do you see all these people here? What do you think they are doing?

- Assessing paintings in his workshop.
- Cleaning the basement of his workshop.
- Helping out in the workshop.

✧ Fun fact ✧

Pigments are colouring matters that are extracted from mineral stones, animals and plants.



It was a bit too busy for me there! Let's have a look in the streets of Bruges. I think we can find another clue at the "nation houses" around "Ter Beurze"... Can you connect the first letter of the "nation houses" to their coat of arms?



✧ Fun fact ✧

A "nation house" was a group of traders with the same origin, and it was also a place where they could stay.

Multiple "nation houses" emerged in the area around "Ter Beurze". These all had their own coat of arms.

Genova

Venezia

Fiorenza



In the Middle Ages, there were many different crafts in the city. Each craft had its own seal. Can you connect the seals with the product?



We can get to know the crafts better here.
Which ones can you find in the crossword puzzle?

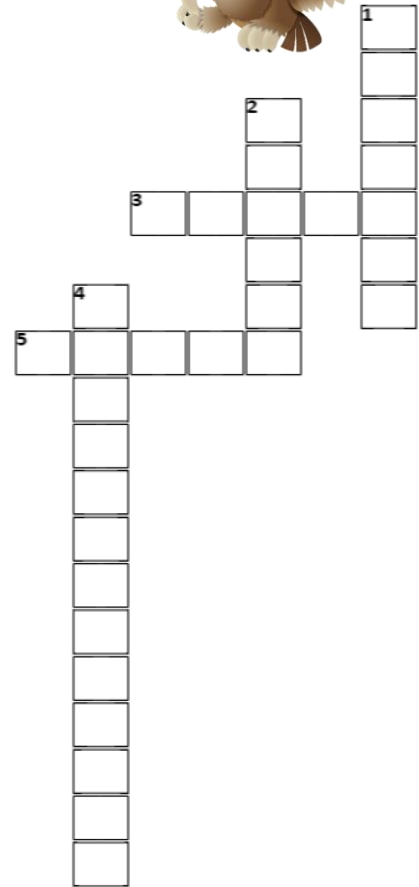


Horizontal

- 3. Works with iron and steel to make weapons
- 5. Bakes bread for the people

Vertical

- 1. Slaughters animals and sells meat
- 2. Makes clothing
- 4. Weaves baskets



✧ Fun fact ✧

A craft was passed on from father to son. As a result, a profession often remained in the family.

We will look for our next clue in the public baths. Did rich or poor people come here?



- Rich
- Poor



✧ Fun fact ✧

People often came to public baths to find company and to socialise. Not just to bathe.

Do you know which mineral is needed to make red pigment? Circle the right one!
(Tip: You can try the combination in our Exhibition!)



Madder



Azurite



Burnt bones



Copper pipes



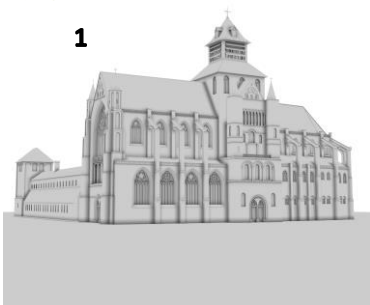
This is the painting 'Virgin and Child with Canon van der Paele'. Can you point out the canon in the painting?

(Tip: he is the snoring man you passed in Jan van Eyck's workshop!)

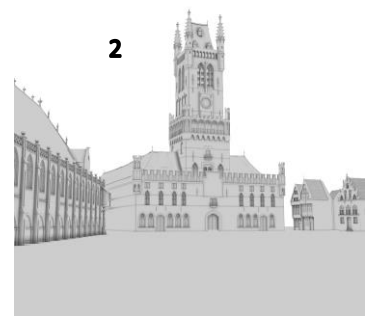


Van Eyck and his society met in the St. Donatian's Church in Bruges. Can you help me find the building? Circle number 1 or 2!

1



2





Go back to the previous pages and find the correct letters. When you have written down all the letters here, you will discover the right answer.

PAGE 1

Letter

Number

This is the first letter of Jan's last name.

1

PAGE 2

This is the first letter of the correct boat you have circled.

2

This is the marked letter in the word search which was not crossed out.

3

PAGE 3

This is the last letter of the building you marked with A.

4

This is the fifth letter of Jan van Eyck's place.

5

PAGE 4

The first letter of the remaining arms.

6

PAGE 5

The first letter of the people who came to the public baths.

7

The fourth letter of the name of the craftsman who makes clothes.

8

PAGE 6

The first letter of the correct mineral.

9

The first letter of the missing family name of Canon Van der ...

10

The last letter of the building where the society meets.

11

When you have found all the letters, you can form a word. Write the letter under the correct number in the boxes below.

2	8	4	9	3	5	11

10	7	3	9	3	6	3	1	4	5



You have done a wonderful job! Now I can finally join the secret society. And so can you! Fill in your name below and you'll get access to the secret society as well!

