

CRYPTOZOOLOGY

Dr. Shopba , an eccentric Kyrgyzstani scientist, had dedicated his life to finding and cataloging mysterious beasts – or *cryptids* – around the world.

Being a touch paranoid, he guarded his notes carefully, concealing the key terms in two obscure alphabets: **OLD BURGUNDIAN** and **ANCIENT AZURIAN**.

Dr. Shopba was consumed by his work – literally. Only his notes and his gnawed bones remained to tell of the legendary creatures he had discovered.

INSTRUCTIONS

First, uncover the locations of the cryptids by deciphering the remaining encrypted words in the notes.

Next, using the clues in the notes, determine where each cryptid is found on the map. Only one cryptid lives in each sector of the grid.

Finally, when you have identified all of the cryptids and their habitats, use that information to discover which cryptid put an end to Dr. Shopba’s research.

Notes:

References to specific cities or countries are not hints to the creature’s current location. A reference to “Los Angeles” does not mean the creature will be found on the west side of the map. However, a reference to “living in the west” *is* a clue to the creature’s location.

“Neighboring” means any contiguous sector, including diagonals.

A map sector’s terrain is the predominant terrain. A sector that contains primarily mountains with a few trees should be considered mountainous terrain, not forest.

Hints will be available on request at 15 and 30 minutes.

CPRIWBALHAW

A likeness of this legendary creature adorns the top of many Native American [OMOWS IMPWK](#), especially in the [UZRICGHIQ](#) of the [IZACPYBQC](#), where its titanic wings are believed to stir the wind.

GWOA

Like its neighboring cousins the [JWLHAUM](#) and the [QAUTMMO](#), the [GWOA](#) is a shaggy humanoid that some speculate may be the missing link in human evolution.

EGSXGKZOB

The [EGSXGKZOB](#) is believed to be the offspring of a pygmy deer and a killer [EGSX AGLLHC](#). These creatures would overrun their habitat in the [IZACP](#) plains if not for the neighboring [KZRO NGAZR](#) on one side and [PHIXTORIX](#) on the other.

MUMIMUM

The [MUMIMUM](#) is a [PEYW](#)-dwelling beast, described as a 50' long [QBAOBIC](#).

SPROGSLAG

The [SPROGSLAG](#) or “[NZGC QRSXBA](#)” gets its name from its habit of drinking the blood of [UMEOK](#), [DMJK](#), and other [KHMBQCZSX](#). Although famous in the Caribbean (particularly Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, and [EGUGHSG](#)), it is a solitary creature that prefers the fewest neighbors possible, and has migrated far to the north to escape the relentless spread of humanity.

REUUAK

The **JAPH REUUAK** is a quadruped inhabiting the **JWKOWXLSMKO** highlands, and was once believed to be the source of the traditional Scottish dish **REUUAK**.

YBIWHNZ

Neighbor and close relative of the **TBCH**, the **YBIWHNZ** is a hairy **GOB-UGI** who inhabits frigid mountaintops. Where the **TBCH** eats sheep and yak, and the **LHNJZZC** eats twigs and berries, the **YBIWHNZ** hungers only for human flesh.

HXEUML

The reptilian **HXEUML** is the source of legends around the world, most notably in Europe and Asia. In these myths, the **HXEUML** is closely connected to and surrounds itself with **JEOWX**, living in **PEYWK**, **AHMQBAQ**, or on remote **AKPELHK**. In Asia, it is considered an omen of **NZZW KRSX** – 2012 was the Year of the **YGCBA WAGNZI**. But in Europe, where **WAGNZIQ** have a taste for human blood, those who stumble across them are anything but **PNDYG**.

EBAQBT WBMHK

Described as a flying, two-legged creature with the head of a **NZGC**, leathery **YHINQ**, and hooves, the fearsome **EBAQBT WBMHK** now lends its name to a national **PZSXT CBGU**. Although originally from **LWJEXY**, it fled from the influx of noisy **LWJ GMXYWXX**, and now prefers the central plains exclusively.

QAUTMMO

The star of several blurry [TAPS SKHOQ](#), [QAUTMMO](#) is a huge, smelly, hairy beast found in dense [TMXWKO](#) regions. Despite their similarities, the [JWLHAUM](#) and the [LHNJZC](#) will fight to the death, and so are never found in proximity to one another.

QXTJHQP

The [QXTJHQP](#), sometimes known simply as [AZWQ](#), were first recorded near the infamous [GABG 51](#) in [AZQYBKK](#). Because of this, many believe them to be flying [GKHBIQ](#). [QXTJHQP](#) have been spotted skimming over flat, low-lying terrain.

SMORSEL

A humanoid creature with a 10' [JALUKIEL](#) and glowing red eyes, the [SMORSEL](#) terrorized the [WEKO](#) [DMEKO](#) in 1966. It remains there to this day.

PZZO QIGXB

This unusual [QIGXB](#) travels by grasping its [CGHK](#) in its [UZRCP](#) and rolling after its prey. It is [MRKIBAGLKB](#) to attacks from the air, and will not be found near flying creatures.

PMNI UEXMN

When the [SMML](#) is [TNPP](#), the howls of the [JMPTSEL](#) echoes across the [LMXORWXL](#) plains.

YTMBAI

A wingless cousin to the **WAGNZI**, this venomous, bipedal **ABOCHKB** prefers arid regions.

RALYGINLY

The **RALYGINLY**, or **JAPP-M'-ORW-JAKI**, is a ghostly **PAURO** found in swamps and **SEXKRWK**. It is rumored to lure travelers to their death.

QGCTA

This legendary **NZGC-UGI**, the **QGCTA**, is fond of music and will sometimes leave his **JZABQC** to rock out to **QOAHINQCBBI** tapes with the **EBAQBT WBMHK** to the **IZACPBQC**. The **QGCTA** surrounds itself with bipeds: they dance better.

SWXSEAH

SWXSEAHK are aquatic creatures which may have originated with sailors' sightings of **KWE DMJK** (much to their chagrin). The **SWXSEAH** has appeared in popular **TEAXG** tales, and in 1997, one became the fourth **HAKLWG IXALDWKK** (to their even greater chagrin). **SWXSEAHK** are found in warm southern climates.

Burgundian

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Azurian

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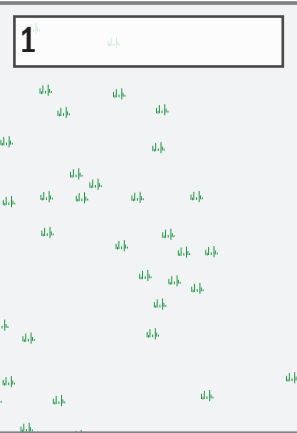
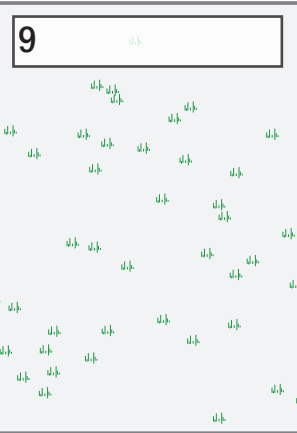
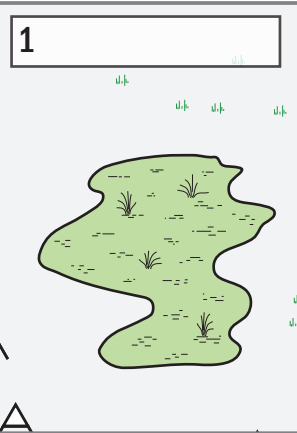
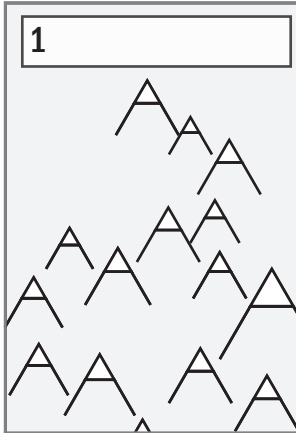
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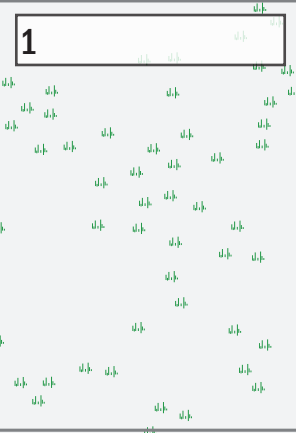
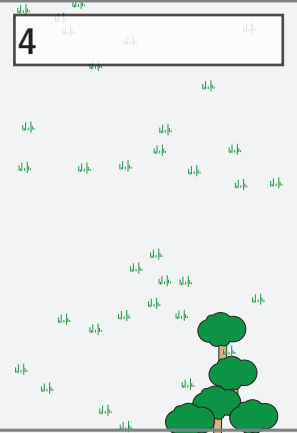
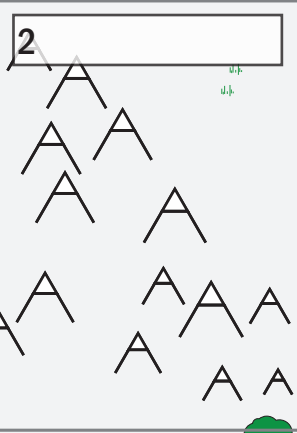
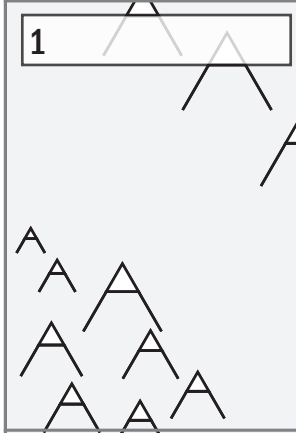
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