

Hidden Bottle Hunt 2022

Explanations for Zone 2 Clues



BottleDrop
Oregon Redemption Center

CLUE 1

Betty, Tom and Paul were able to get it approved
But where did a quarter of the coin come from?
If you solve this brain twister, good for you
North of that spot lies a good outcome.

SOLVE 1

The first line refers to the bottle bill. Senator Betty Roberts, Representative Paul Hanneman, and Governor Tom McCall were instrumental in its passage. A returned bottle got you a nickel, of which only a quarter is actually made of nickel (the rest is copper). At the time, the country's only nickel mine was located in Riddle, OR. The treasure lies north.

CLUE 2

For twenty days a behemoth
Stretching from Wonderland to the shore
Now it's just well above average
Upon these grounds someone will score.

SOLVE 2

Lane County was originally much larger than its current boundaries, and in late December 1853 and early January 1854 it stretched from present-day Yellowstone park ("Wonderland") to the Pacific Ocean. It is still the 6th largest county in Oregon.

CLUE 3

Gabby and Abby should be there
Seb will be there for sure
He'll send people to the waterfall
But only those who truly endure.

SOLVE 3

This clue refers to the World Athletics Championships which will take place in Eugene in mid-July. Gabby Thomas and Abby Steiner are top runners in the 200m dash, and Sebastian Coe is the primary organizer. Longer distance races, or endurance races, often utilize a "waterfall" start.



CLUE 4

The bottle's hidden in a prime location
To reward your dedication
If you want this hunt to deliver
Go to this park with a creek, not a river

SOLVE 4

A couple of differing references to "Amazon" here. "Prime" and "deliver" are hints toward the company Amazon; "creek, not a river" refers to Amazon Creek which runs through the park.

CLUE 5

This fella didn't go extinct
When all around him went away
Keep a safe following distance
It's the line of least resistance
Take a seat and call it a day.

SOLVE 5

The Amazon Park children's playground underwent a near-total transformation in the mid 2010s. The only part that remains is a dinosaur that was much beloved by children. If you take a safe following distance (wildlife experts recommend to stay about 100 yards from predators) you'll find the bottle approximately 100 yards on a direct line (of least resistance) behind the dinosaur, near a bench (take a seat).

BONUS CLUE

Look east of the creek
In the home of warrior Greeks
Just on the other side of Ma-Lik.
A bench, it's not so chic
But near a bush you should seek
This should your interest pique.

BONUS SOLVE

This bonus clue was designed to get you to the bench and bush where the treasure was located. The creek is Amazon (warrior Greeks), and the ash grove on the other side of the creek is named Ma-Lik.

Thank you!

