

Amazon Expedition Ends In Death

Scientists and Support Crew Perish in Failed Archaeological Trek

Cajun, Louisiana, UPI:

Eleven members of an archaeological expedition sponsored by the University of Tropicale in Cajun, Louisiana, have died in their attempt to reach the Lost City of Chak in the South American Amazon jungle. A twelfth member has survived with multiple critical injuries. The expedition was in its fourth month of a quest designed to take a full year to complete.

The US scientific team was headed by Dr. Nobel Savage, Professor of Anthropology at the University of Tropicale. His hand-picked team of five scientists and six support crew members was making its third

attempt to reach the Lost City of Chak. The surviving team member, Dr. Basil Hykem, also with the University's Department of Anthropology, is in the care of the Caracas General Hospital. Word on his condition has not been received, and an interview has not been permitted.

Last words from the expeditionary force were received in a radio transmission last Tuesday from Dr. Hykem to the Archaeological Center at the University. The transmission, however, was garbled and incomplete. Apparently, Dr. Hykem had witnessed the tragedy that beset the expedition, and is believed to have been assaulted during the transmission.

A radio transmission earlier in the week, from Savage to his wife, Dr. Felicity Savage-Jones, spoke of progress and elation on the part of the team.

"He said there was light at the end of the tunnel," reported Dr. Savage-Jones, "meaning they had apparently reached the first signs of the Lost City, and were about to entrench for the long haul."

The Lost City of Chak has yet to be reached and photographed by a modern expeditionary force. Legend holds that the ancient emerald mines near the city hold a rare form of emerald needed for the development of top secret materials for national defense. The Lost City has been the object of numerous attempts to brave the intense Amazon climate.



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MISSION PROTOCOL AND ADDRESS

Technical Note: When you see a flashing cursor, it is time to tell the computer what to do. If the cursor isn't flashing, press RETURN; there is more for you to read. And, if you don't see a cursor, just wait; something will happen momentarily.

I. General Communiqes

When communicating with AMAZON, it is important to remember that AMAZON can use more words when informing you than you can use when instructing it. Consult the following word list to see what words AMAZON understands.

AMAZON responds to succinct, precise commands. A verb (**FEED, SEARCH, TAKE**) should always start the command; and a noun, whether a person, a place, or a thing (**PACO, OFFICE, BOOK**), should follow the verb.

FEED PACO
SEARCH OFFICE
TAKE BOOK

If you like, you may use **THE** before a noun: **TAKE THE BOOK.**

You should separate multiple nouns from each other using a comma or **AND**, such as:

TAKE THE BOOK AND THE LETTER.
TAKE THE BOOK, THE LETTER, AND THE BOX.
TAKE BOOK, LETTER, AND BOX
TAKE BOOK, LETTER, BOX

It is not necessary to end a command with a period.

You may include several separate actions in one command, but you must separate each action by a comma or the word **THEN**. If you repeat a noun in a string of actions, you may replace the noun with **IT**. For example:

TAKE THE BOOK THEN READ IT
TAKE THE BOOK, OPEN IT, THEN READ IT
SEARCH THE DESK, THE BOX, AND THE BIRDCAGE, THEN CLOSE THE DOOR.

II. Improper Commands

Commands that make no sense to AMAZON, that are impossible under the circumstances, that utilize objects not present at the time, or that use unknown words, will elicit one of several responses. Should you encounter such a response, try a different phrase.

III. Talking to Anyone You Meet

You cannot speak unless you are spoken to first. Converse with others by entering your remark as you would any other command: **HELLO**. (Unnecessary: **"HELLO"** or **SAY HELLO**.)

IV. Giving Directions and Exploring

Commands for moving in any particular direction may be given in several ways. Specify directions as full sentences (**GO NORTH**), as directions (**SOUTH**), or as abbreviations (**S, N, W, E**). **UP** and **DOWN** may be abbreviated **U** and **D**.

When you come to a place you'd like to explore, enter **LOOK** for a description of your surroundings. For further details about any particular item, enter **INSPECT** <item> or **EXAMINE** <item>.

V. Taking Inventory and Telling Time

It would be wise to check your belongings from time to time, especially when you feel you might have lost—or might soon lose—some of them. You also ought to inspect any new acquisition. Enter **INVENTORY** for a complete listing of your possessions, and, for a description of any chosen item, enter **INSPECT** <item>.

While exploring the Lost City of Chak, you may learn how quickly the day is passing by entering **TIME**.

Phase IV: Identifying Your Expertise

You will be asked to identify your level of expertise. Please use one of these three classifications:

Novice: A capable, trained field agent. (One of our Novices spent three months in the Yukon searching for signs of an allegedly extinct species of bear reported on the rampage. A small plane ferrying him into the region crash-landed and burned, leaving him with down garments, a magnifying glass, a Peregrine falcon, and a hunting knife. He survived, and the bear is now in captivity.)

Seasoned Explorer: An exceptionally qualified explorer. (A Seasoned Explorer parachuted into the southeasternmost portion of the Devil's Triangle, searching for a documented but unseen island at approximately 60°W, 25°N, near the Tropic of Cancer. After days in a rubber raft, he sighted the island, landed, and discovered a cache of moon rocks presumably lost by the Soviets.)

Expedition Leader: The pinnacle of expertise, with proven mental, diplomatic, and physical prowess. (Upon conquering Everest for the second time in 1973, our most infamous Expedition Leader descended into the country of Sikkim, made her way into the inner circles of the monarchy in Gangtok, and was retained to investigate alleged drug rings sponsored by foreign governments. She left in 1975 when the country was absorbed by India.)

Phase V: Emergency Procedures

A. Laser Defense Mechanism (LDM)

Our reports from the earlier Amazon expedition confirm that a warrior tribe, the Huni, feared throughout the region and known for unspeakable atrocities to their victims, zealously guards the Lost City of Chak and its surrounding terrain. Any intruders are attacked by night. The expedition team reported utilizing to the fullest their camp defense kits, in particular the laser defense mechanism (LDM). Thus I urgently advise that any foray you make into the Lost City be concluded by dusk, so you may execute complete peripheral defenses before nightfall.

Technical Note: The LDM is operated with the arrow keys and the space bar.

B. Terminating the Mission

Should you wish to abort the mission and forfeit international acclaim for service to humanity, turn the computer off. To return to the beginning at any point, turn off the computer and follow procedures for INITIALIZING THE EXPEDITION.

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EXPEDITION INSTRUCTIONS

While you are in the field, contact with NSRT experts will be intermittent at best. Contact with the native peoples and animals of the Amazon is to be expected and, we might add, feared. The following instructions should be utilized consistently. NSRT will have no liability in the event of psychological harm, bodily injury, or death.

INITIALIZING THE EXPEDITION: Technical Instructions

Phase I: Loading AMAZON on the Apple®

Load the program by inserting Side Three into the disk drive. Turn on the computer.

Phase II: Creating a Save Disk

WARNING: YOU MUST CREATE A SAVE DISK AT THE BEGINNING OF THE GAME!

Create a Save Disk for use in periodically storing data about your field position. In the event of a terminal accident, you may use the Save Disk to return to your previous position and resume the mission from there. (See instructions for "Saving," below.)

To create your Save Disk:

1. After you load Side Three of AMAZON and turn on the computer, enter **CREATE**.
2. The computer will read: PLEASE INSERT A BLANK DISK. ENTER DISK DRIVE NUMBER (1 OR 2):
3. **If you have one disk drive:** Remove the game disk and insert a blank disk. Enter 1. The program will then format the blank disk you have inserted. When the disk drive light goes off, remove your Save Disk and reinsert Side Three. You are now ready to proceed with the mission.
If you have two disk drives: Insert the blank disk into the second disk drive. Enter 2. The program will then format the disk. Your Save Disk may be left in the disk drive throughout the game.

Beware: The program will erase any contents of a disk that is being formatted as a Save Disk.

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Phase III: Starting and Conducting the Mission

The AMAZON mission is now ready to begin. Consult the instructions on Mission Protocol and Address (attached) for information on how to conduct mission communications. You may also choose from the two special commands described below, which may be used at any time during the mission.

A. Save

For all but the most skilled of Expedition Leaders, the use of a Save Disk is advised. If at any point in the mission you feel your life is in danger, save your field position before proceeding. You will be able to return to that position—and rectify your mistakes—if you are unable to escape death. (See “RESTORE,” following.) Without a Save Disk, your only choice would be to start the mission over. The program will save up to ten positions. You may identify each position as you choose.

To save your field position at any point:

1. Enter **SAVE**.
2. The computer will read: PLEASE INSERT YOUR SAVE DISK. ENTER DISK DRIVE NUMBER (1 OR 2):
3. Follow the instructions. Select the number of the next available position, or select a position you used earlier.
4. Name your saved position (up to ten characters).
5. If you have one disk drive, remove your Save Disk and return the game disk to the drive.

B. Restore

At any time you may return to a field position on your Save Disk. This is useful in two instances.

1. **In the event of a fatality**
 - a. The computer will ask, DO YOU WISH TO CONTINUE?
 - b. Enter **RESTORE**.
 - c. The computer will read: PLEASE INSERT YOUR SAVE DISK. ENTER DISK DRIVE NUMBER (1 OR 2):
 - d. Follow the instructions. Select a field position from the list, and, if you have one disk drive, insert the game disk as instructed. The game will resume from the position you chose.
2. **If you wish to resume an unfinished mission**
 - a. Load AMAZON as usual by inserting Side Three into the disk drive.
 - b. Enter **RESTORE**.
 - c. The computer will read: PLEASE INSERT YOUR SAVE DISK. ENTER DISK DRIVE NUMBER (1 OR 2):
 - d. Follow the instructions. Select a field position from the list, and, if you have one disk drive, insert the game disk as instructed. The program will bring you to the position you chose.

NSRT FIELD PARTY REGULATIONS

NSRT FIELD EQUIPMENT PACKS

All Field Parties are equipped with everything they will need for field work. It is the responsibility of the Field Parties to thoroughly inventory and examine their equipment!

USE OF THE NSRT FIELD COMPUTER

All Field Parties are provided with a portable computer for use in communicating with NSRT Base.

After turning on the computer, an Input Code will be required to open transmission.

Each Field party will be informed of their Standard Input Code, and their Emergency Input Code. Standard Codes can be used at any time favorable for satellite transmission. Emergency Codes should be used only during emergencies.

Field Parties should make a note of their respective codes.

NSRT CODED FIELD MAP COORDINATES

All NSRT Field Maps are security coded for transmitting data coordinates to field operatives by satellite.

Rules for Coordinate Transmission via computer are as follows:

1. X Coordinate is always two letters (i.e., TB) and Y Coordinate is always a letter and a number (i.e., T5).
2. X Coordinate is always transmitted first.
3. Field operatives should always make a note of their location.
4. In situations where field operatives may be experiencing trouble determining their location, NSRT will transmit map coordinates at a rapid rate to assist the operatives. Remember: NSRT can locate your position anywhere on the surface of the earth within 2 meters.

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STRATEGIC NOTES

We don't expect you to be mystified or unnerved by the complex, highly dangerous situations you will encounter while on this mission. However, NSRT recognizes that even the most expert field agent may encounter obstacles while resistance is low, or in a tight spot might forget the resources available. The following strategic notes have been designed as prompts, reminders, or, if you will, a "bag of tricks" for those rare moments when you feel most human.

One general hint: If you form an association with Paco the Parrot, ask his help by entering PACO. In many situations, Paco can assist enormously.

- At the airport: [symbols]
At the jail: [symbols]
At the Institute: [symbols]
In the office: [symbols]
Getting down the cliff: [symbols]
At the gorge: [symbols]
Deep in the jungle: [symbols]
Outside troops' tent: [symbols]
Later that same night: [symbols]
Kemani: [symbols]
Tunnel: [symbols]
Weather turns cold: [symbols]
Boat repairs: [symbols]
At the river: [symbols]
Alligator: [symbols]
Crossing the river: [symbols]
At bridge: [symbols]
Fighting Hunis: [symbols]
At the statue: [symbols]
Escaping end of passage: [symbols]



WORDLIST

NOTE: Frequently used commands are listed in **boldface**.

VERBS

Ask	Drop	Go	Lift	Repair	Smell
Attack	Eat	Help	Look	Rest	Sniff
Avoid	Enter	Hit	Need	Restart	Speak
Begin	Examine	Hop	Offer	Restore	Start
Bribe	Exit	Hurt	Open	Run	Stop
Buy	Feed	Inflate	Pay	Save	Take
Call	Find	Insert	Press	Search	Talk
Climb	Fire	Inspect	Pry	Seek	Touch
Close	Fix	Inventory	Pull	Shoot	Use
Come	Fly	Jump	Purchase	Show	Wait
Count	Freeze	Kill	Push	Shut	Want
Create	Get	Kiss	Read	Sit	Wear
Cross	Give	Leave	Remove	Sleep	

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Air	Center	Food	London	Pit	Smile
Airplane	Chopper	Fridge	Los Angeles	Pits	Snake
Amazon	Cigarettes	Fruit	Man	Plane	Start
Anaconda	Cigs	Goggles	Medicine	Police	Statue
Antenna	Codebook	Gold	Merchant	Printer	Stone
Arch	Coin	Ground	Mgubu	Raft	Stones
Backpack	Coins	Gun	Miami	Rations	Tent
Beginner	Computer	Helicopter	Mines	Refrigerator	Tents
Belt	Cop	Hole	Money	Rifle	Throne
Birdcage	Courtesy	Hotel	Nairobi	Rio	Ticket
Boat	Cupboard	Houston	Note	River	Time
Bones	Customs	Institute	Notebook	Rock	Tokyo
Book	Cuzco	Jacket	Novice	Rocks	Tree
Booth	Desk	Jet	Officer	Rope	Trees
Box	Director	Kemani	Pack	Scrap	Trip
Bribe	Drape	Lamp	Paco	Shelves	Tube
Cage	Drawer	Laser	Paper	Shovel	Vines
Camp	Envelope	Leader	Parka	Skeleton	Wall
Carton	Explorer	Letter	Parrot	Slabs	Walls
Cash	Flight	Lever	Peru	Smell	Water
Cave	Floor				

DIRECTIONS

Away	In	South, S
Below	Inside	Up, U
Down, D	North, N	West, W
East, E	Out	

MISCELLANEOUS

Friendly	Okay	Still
Hello, Hi	Off	Then
It	On	Trip
No	Quiet	Yes
Nothing	Restart	

Recent breaches in security require that NSRT encode all map coordinates. Use the following table to transfer coordinates from map to computer and vice versa. Destroy if captured.

MAP	COMPUTER	MAP	COMPUTER	MAP	COMPUTER
XA	TK	DD	PJ	X4	X4
XB	TM	PE	KK	X3	X3
XC	TN	PF	KM	X2	X2
XD	TN	PH	KM	X1	X1
XE	ZP	PJ	WN	C1	C1
CF	ZR	KK	WP	C2	C2
CH	ZS	KM	SR	C3	C2
TJ	ZS	WN	SS	C4	C3
TK	ZT	WP	AT	C5	C4
TM	ZU	SR	AU	C6	C5
TN	ZV	SS	EV	T6	C6
ZP	BW	AT	EW	T5	C6
ZR	BX	AU	VX	T4	T6
ZS	BY	EV	VY	T3	T5
ZT	BY	EW	VZ	T2	T4
ZU	BZ	VX	VA	T1	T4
ZV	MA	VY	VB	F1	T3
BW	MB	VZ	VC	F2	T2
BX	DC	VA	RD	F3	T2
BY	DC	VB	RD	F4	T1
BZ	DD	VC	RE	F5	F1
MA	PE	RD	RE	F6	F2
MB	PF	RE	RF	B6	F3
DC	PH	RF	RF	B5	F3
				B4	F4
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				B1	B6
				M1	B5
				M2	B4
				M3	B3

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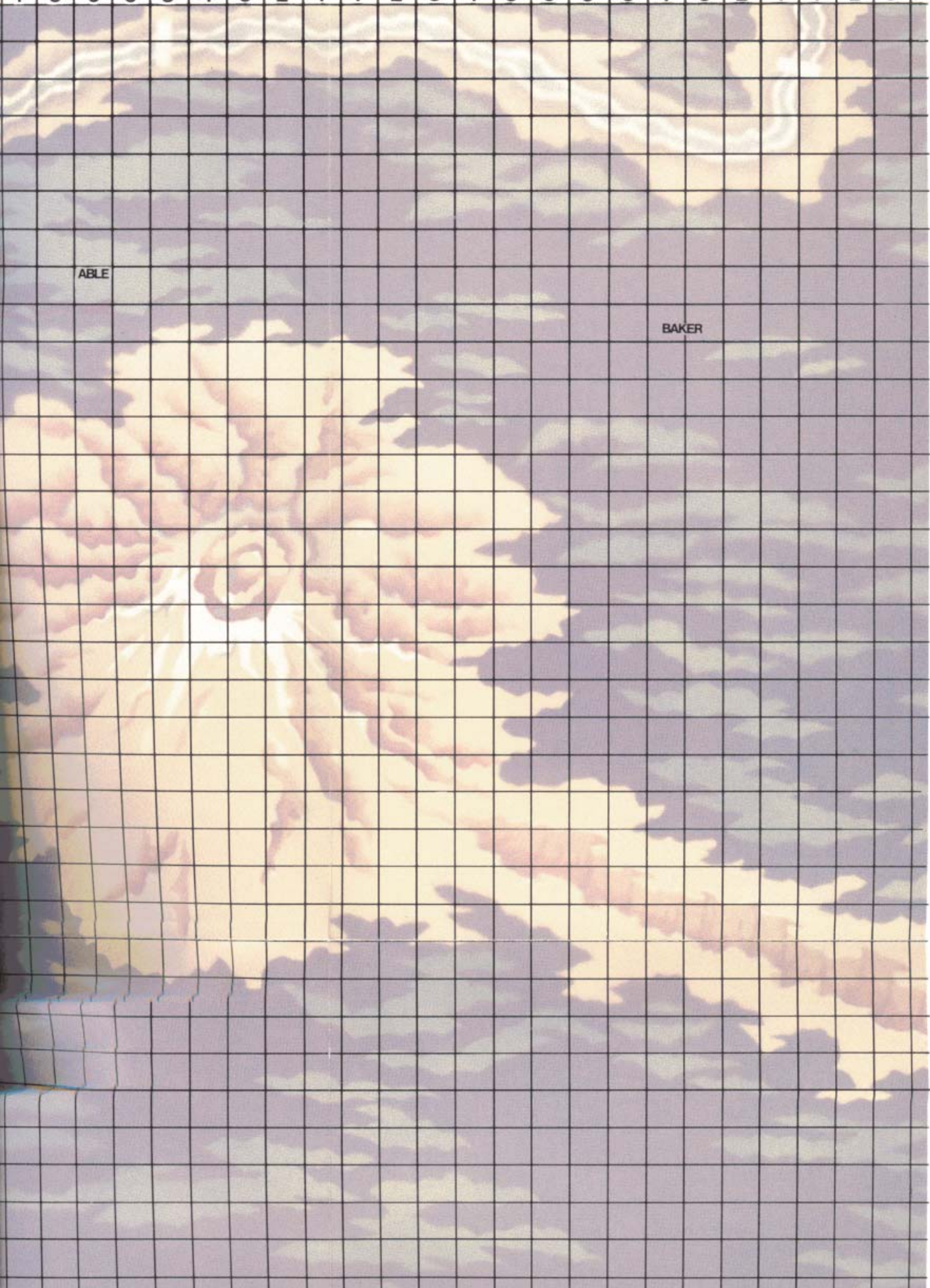
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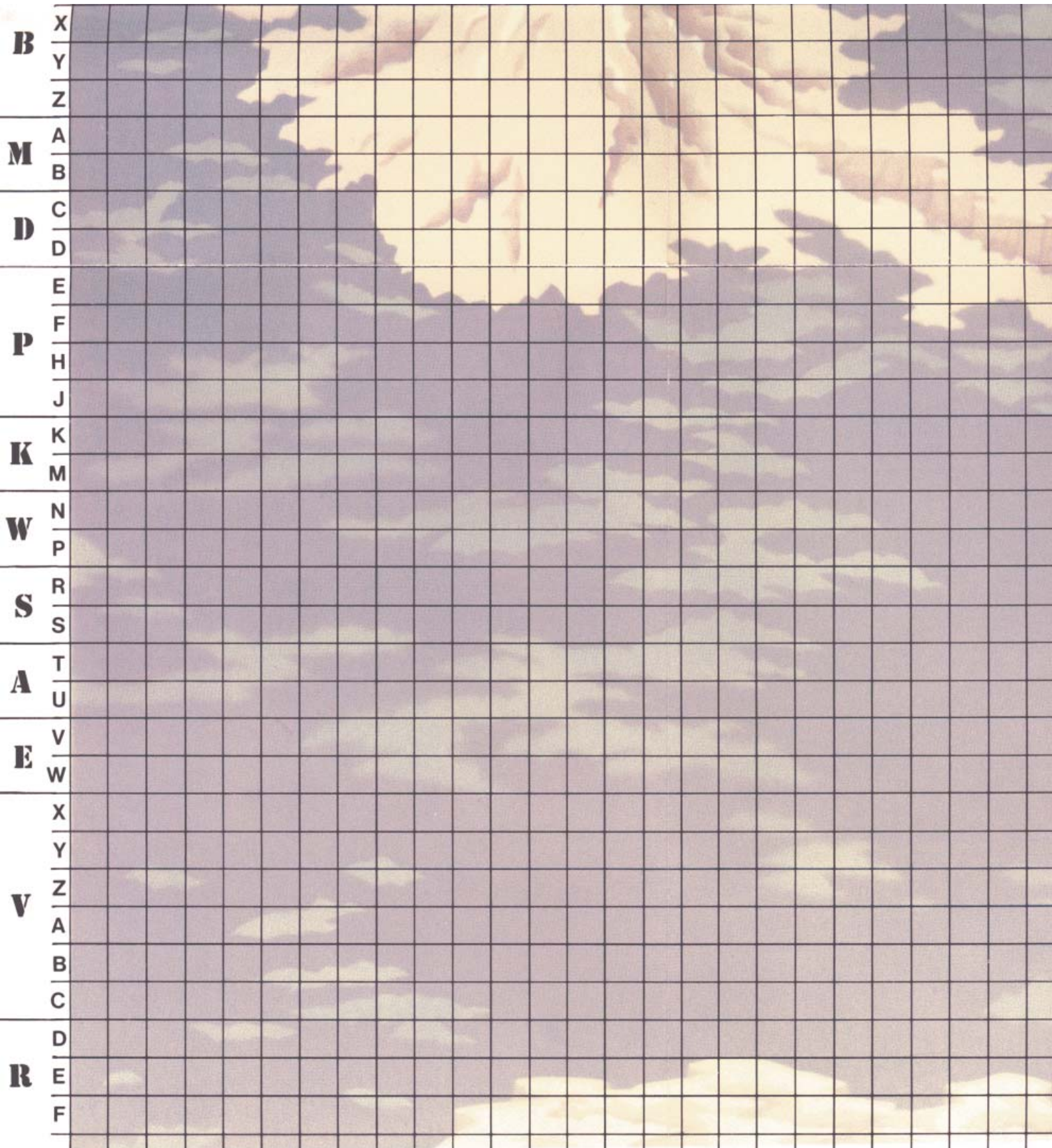
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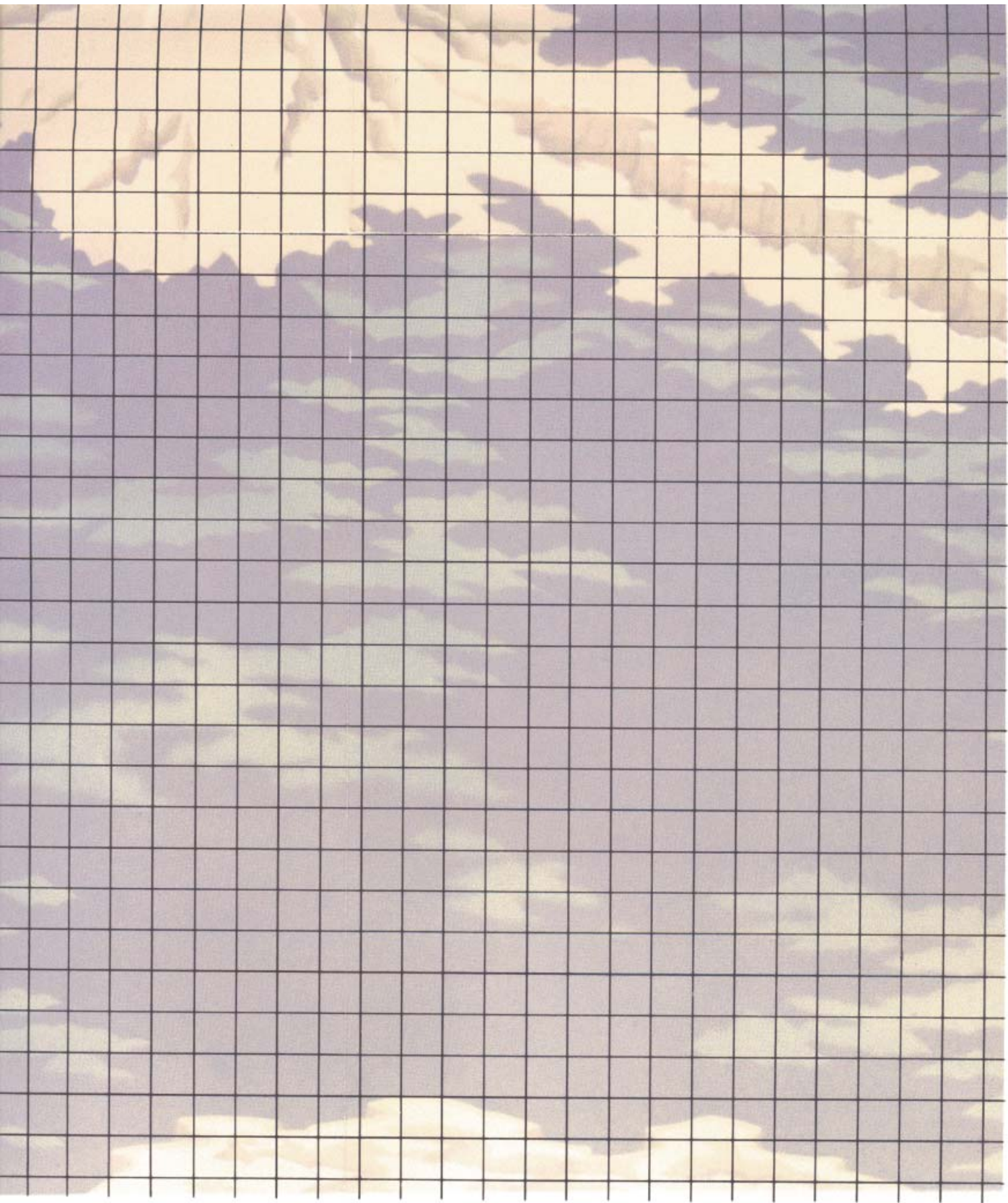
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