

“Lord of the Rings”

A Mercer Museum Scavenger Hunt

Find the connections between some of the Mercer Museum’s exhibits and the world of J.R.R. Tolkien in this quest through our collections. For each clue, identify the correct answer, based on a Museum exhibit room or artifact. Can you find them all?

1. The name of the craftsman who might have made the Horn of Gondor, blown by Boromir while trying to protect Merry and Pippin from Orcs and Uruk-hai in *The Fellowship of the Ring*.

(Level 2)

2. “Old Winyards” was a type of wine enjoyed by Hobbits in the Shire. See if you can find the small press with wheels used to get the juice out of grapes – the beginning of any winemaking. Write down the big number on the object.

(Level 2)

3. You’ll find something in Room 23 that would be useful to the Riders of Rohan in outfitting their steeds.

(Level 3)

4. Frodo, Sam, Merry and Pippin first met Aragorn at the “Sign of the Prancing Pony,” the hotel and tavern in Bree. What animal can you find on a hotel signboard on this floor?

(Level 3)

5. When Sméagol first found the One Ring in the River Anduin, he and his relative Déagol were doing this, the subject of an exhibit in Room 35.

(Level 4)

6. Hobbits of the Shire, and Gandolf, too, enjoyed Old Toby and Longbottom Leaf – though they are not at all good for you. See if you can find and name the implement that Hobbits would need to enjoy these forms of a particular plant or crop, found in an exhibit room on the floor shown below.

(Level 4) _____

7. In what exhibit room (give the room number) can you find a miner's pick – an important tool of Dwarves in the Mines of Moria?

(Level 4) _____

8. Treebeard the Ent would seriously frown on the types of tools found in this exhibit room. Name the subject of the exhibit.

(Level 4) _____

9. Anduril, Glamdring, Sting and Narsil are the names of a few of these types of weapons that you'll also find examples of in exhibit room 36. What are they?

(Level 4) _____

10. Not exactly the fires of Mount Doom, but this exhibit does contain a forge. Name the exhibit where things like the One Ring could be forged.

(Level 5) _____

11. Lembas or Elven Bread might be prepared with tools found in this exhibit. Name the exhibit.

(Level 5) _____

12. Legolas' favorite weapon is found in an exhibit about these people who once lived in the Delaware Valley. First, find his weapon and then you can identify these early people.

(Level 6) _____

Congratulations! You've completed your quest and hopefully have not been corrupted by the power of the One Ring. We do hope, however, that you've been enchanted by the One and Only Mercer Museum, and will come back again!