

Where in the World is
Carmen Sandiego?
Mystery Action Game

User's Manual

For 1 or more players
Ages 8 to adult

A Mega CartridgeTM
for the **SEGA**[®] SystemTM

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The MEGA CARTRIDGE is intended for use exclusively on the
SEGA System.

Proper usage:

Do not bend, get wet, disfigure or subject to thinners, benzine
or violent impact.

Do not expose to direct sunlight or heat source.

If it becomes wet, dry it completely before using.

When dirty, carefully wipe only with a soft cloth dipped in
soapy water.

After each use, put cartridge back in case.

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EQUIPMENT

WHERE IN THE WORLD IS CARMEN SANDIEGO?® Mega Cartridge

• User's Manual • Detective's Almanac

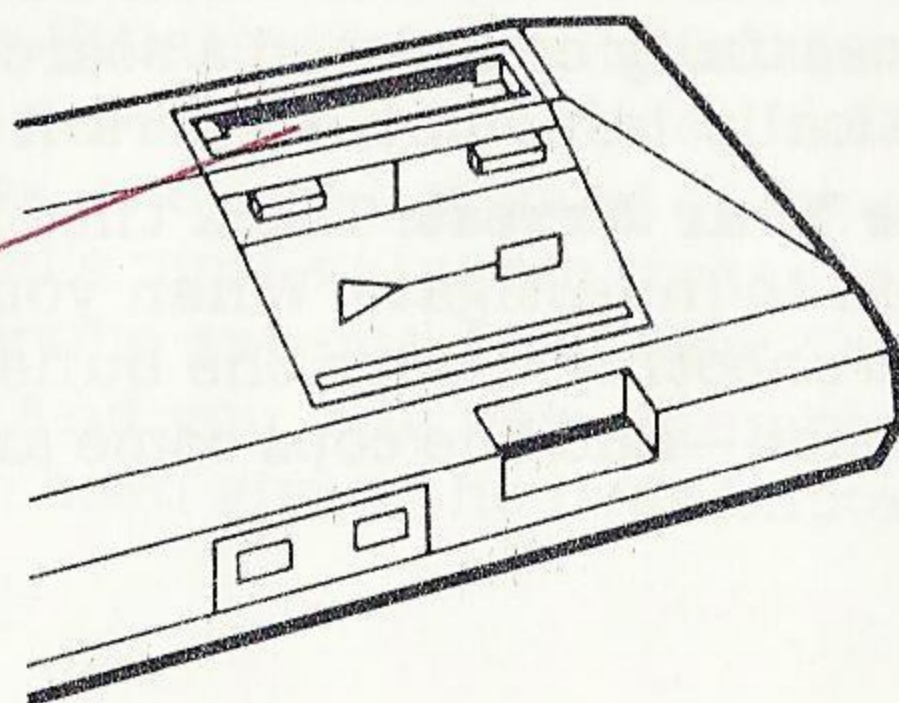
SET UP

How To Load Your Cartridge

1. Make sure the power switch is on OFF.
2. Following the instructions in your SEGA System manual, insert the CARMEN SANDIEGO cartridge into the power base as shown below.
3. Turn the power switch to ON. (If nothing appears on screen, recheck how the cartridge is inserted.)

IMPORTANT: Always make sure the power base is turned off when inserting or removing the cartridge.

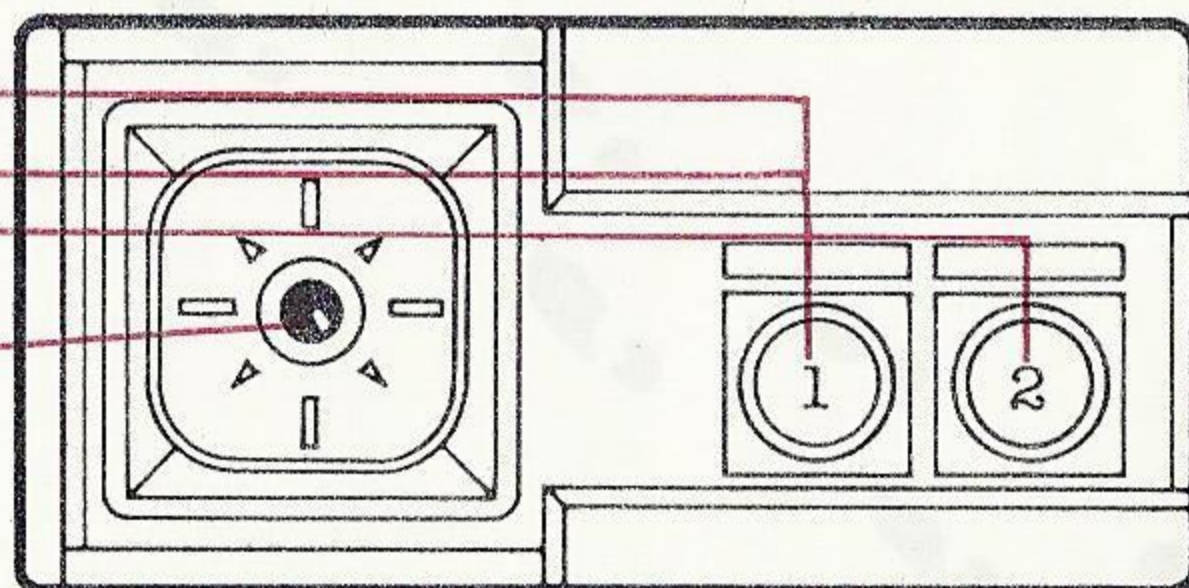
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TAKING THE CONTROLS

Throughout this instruction booklet, we will refer to the parts of the hand-held controllers by the names on the illustration below.

- START button
- 1 Select/Continue button
- 2 Action speed-up button
- 3 Menu select/
Move detective joystick
- Up/Jump
- Left
- Right
- Down/Duck



ONE-MINUTE RULES—Quick Reference Summary

To Display World Map and Flight Connections: Move detective to center of Airport picture, then press Button 1.

To Catch a Flight: Go into Airport. Move cursor to name of city you want to fly to, then press Button 1.

To Interview Witness: Move detective in front of building doorway, then press Button 1.

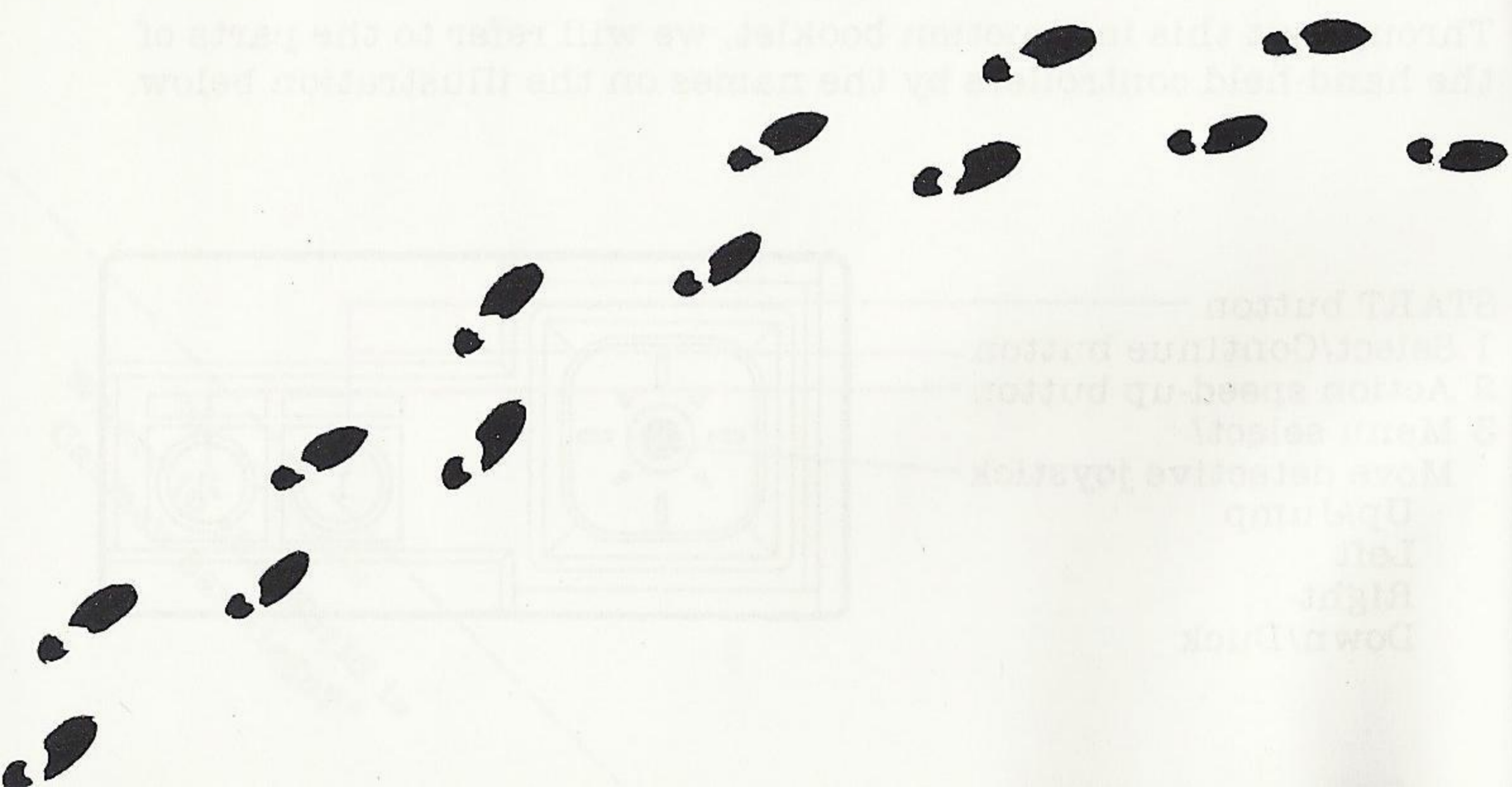
To Enter Fact on Crime Computer: Enter Phone Booth. Press Button 1, then move cursor to fact you want to fill in and click Button 1 until the correct fact appears.

To Conduct a Crime Computer Search: Move cursor to "Search for Suspect" then press Button 1.

To Avoid Injury: As you close in, the henchmen and thieves will fire bullets or throw knives at you. Jump up or duck down!

To Obtain an Arrest Warrant: After you've entered 3 or 4 facts and successfully completed a search, the computer will automatically issue you a warrant for your suspect.

To Make Your Arrest: Track the thief to his or her hideout city and begin to investigate. When you're on his trail, the thief will come out shooting. Dodge the bullets until the thief runs out of ammunition—and the cops come and arrest the crook!



GAMEPLAY

The Chase Is On ...

Monday, 5 a.m. A ringing sound jars you awake. You grope for the phone and drop the receiver on the floor. Out of the darkness comes the voice of the chief: "Wake up, kid. Got an assignment for you."

You stumble out of bed, turn on the light and grab your brand new detective's notebook.

"Just got a call from Interpol," says the chief. "Looks like Carmen's gang has pulled another caper."

"Any leads?" you ask.

"Not with this bunch. They're too slick. Can't give you any more details on the phone. Better get down to the office double quick. It's going to be a rough one."

"Right, chief."

As your trembling hand replaces the phone on its cradle, you wonder why you ever got into this line of work. Before this morning, Carmen Sandiego and her Villains' International League of Evil (V.I.L.E. for short) were just sensational headlines in the newspaper. For more than five years, she and her gang of felons have managed to stockpile the world's most valuable treasures while outwitting every so-called "crime expert" from New York to Sydney. Now they've struck again. And you, the newest employee of the Acme Detective Agency, have been given the near-impossible assignment of tracking them down.

Good luck!

To Catch a Thief...

Signing In: As soon as you've inserted the CARMEN cartridge and turned the power ON, you'll be asked to pick your rank. Use the joystick to move the cursor; let's start at the Rookie level.

Once you've signed in, the Acme Crime Computer will give you the details of your assignment. To move on to the next message, press Button 1. After you've read all the messages, you're on your way!

NOTE: At any time during gameplay, you may speed up the text—and the action—by pressing Button 2.

Your Assignment...

One of the 10 possible suspects has stolen one of 90 national treasures and is hiding out in one of 30 foreign cities. Your job is to track down the suspect by collecting clues that will point you towards the city itself or the country in which the city is located and get the correct arrest warrant.

Look at the Police Dossiers at the back of this booklet for some background on the 10 suspects. Any one of them could be the thief.

We'll tell you right up front: The higher your detective rank, the tougher the case. And Carmen Sandiego, the thieves' ring leader, is the most elusive crook of the lot. It will take an Ace Detective to catch her!

Use the special Detective's Almanac to find facts and follow up on clues.

You've got just 7 days to solve each case, from Monday morning to Sunday night. So watch the time tick away on the on-screen clock (it operates in international time: from 0:01 to 24:00 hours) and try not to waste a move!



Start Your Search

You'll start at the scene of the crime—the city where the thief swiped the treasure. Refer to the Official Interpol Map in this book to orient yourself geographically when you arrive in a new locale. The main screen always gives your present location and tells you the day of the week and the time.

As you arrive in each new city, be sure to read the descriptions that appear on the screen. They contain information that will be useful in pursuing Carmen and her gang.

Airport/World Map

Move your detective to the center of the Airport building and press Button 1. This brings up the world map and list of all destinations you can reach on connecting flights.

Hint: Check in at the Airport as soon as you arrive somewhere—so you'll know the possible escape—and pursuit—routes. To leave the Airport, put the cursor on "Cancel Flight."

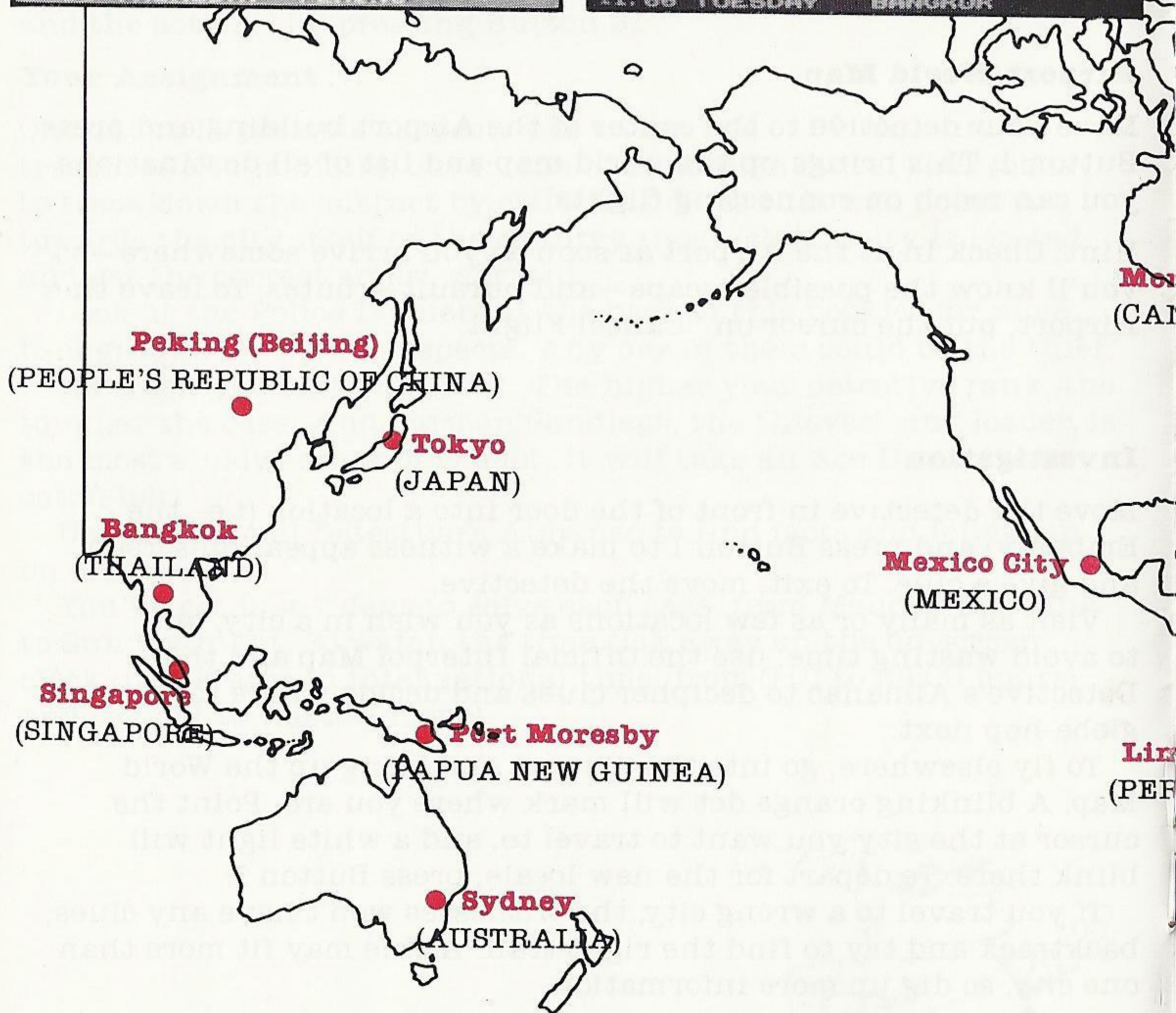
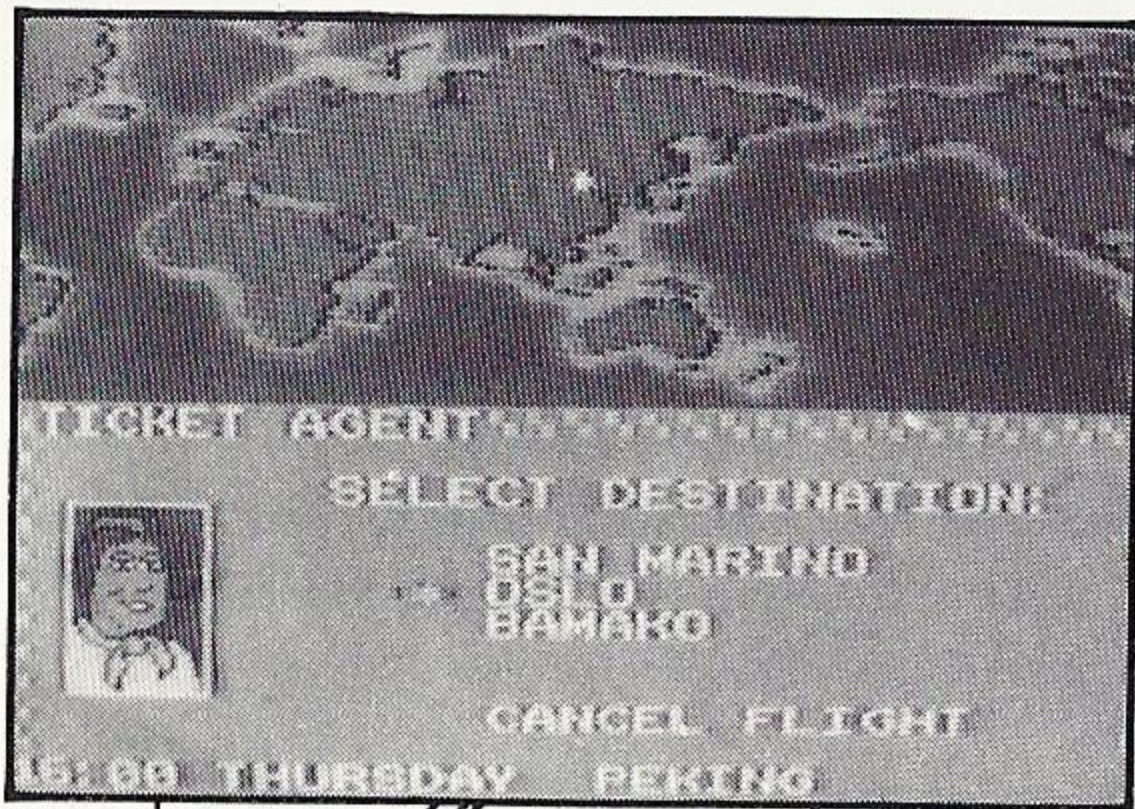
Investigation

Move the detective in front of the door into a location (i.e., the Embassy) and press Button 1 to make a witness appear on-screen and give a clue. To exit, move the detective.

Visit as many or as few locations as you wish in a city, but, to avoid wasting time, use the Official Interpol Map and the Detective's Almanac to decipher clues and decide where to globe-hop next.

To fly elsewhere, go into the Airport and bring up the World Map. A blinking orange dot will mark where you are. Point the cursor at the city you want to travel to, and a white light will blink there. To depart for the new locale, press Button 1.

If you travel to a wrong city, the witnesses won't have any clues; backtrack and try to find the right trail. A clue may fit more than one city, so dig up more information.





**CURRENTLY KNOWN
V.I.L.E. OPERATIONAL BASES
OFFICIAL INTERPOL MAP**

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Interpol

As you collect clues about your suspect, either jot them down or enter them on the Crime Computer at Interpol:

Move your detective to the phone booth, and press Button 1; he'll automatically put in a call to Interpol. To enter the facts you've learned, press Button 1 until the fact you want appears on the screen.

When you've entered 3 or more facts, you can do a computer "search": Move the cursor to "Search for Suspect" and press Button 1. If these facts fit only one suspect in the computer's memory and eliminate all the other thieves, it will automatically issue you an arrest warrant. Remember: Do your searches selectively; each one costs you valuable time.

If you're only using the menu to "store" facts (without actually doing a search), use "Exit" to move your detective out of the phone booth, then go back later with more information.

How to Use Your Detective's Almanac

Your most important investigative tool, this gives you hundreds of facts about the countries—and saves you precious time by helping you avoid unnecessary travel. Remember: Clues may point to either the connecting cities or to other locations in that country.

Example: You've had a tip that the thief went to a country whose currency is called Kroner. Go to the Airport and check your connections: London, Montreal and Oslo. Using the map in this rules book and the Almanac, find what country each city is in, and select the country that uses Kroner. You're off to Oslo!



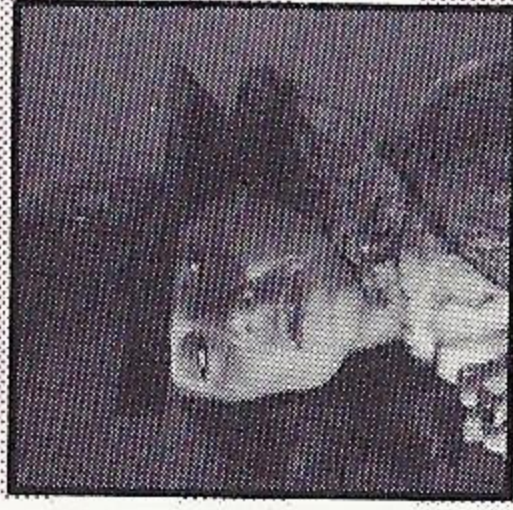
Sleuthful Hints

- The clever thief stays in hiding and orders a crony—a V.I.L.E. henchman—to check you out if you're getting too close. When you see a suspicious person step out on the side of the screen, you know you're on the right track.
- No thief worth his or her salt gives up without a fight. The closer you get, the more dangerous your situation, so prepare to use your joystick controller to DUCK or JUMP flying bullets and knives. Be careful, because if you're injured you'll lose time recuperating. And the higher your rank, the more time it takes you to recover.
- Warning: The thieves are even deadlier than their henchmen.
- When a thief runs out of bullets, the cops come and haul him or her away.
- If the thief fires all his bullets and disappears off screen, he'll re-load off-screen and come back on-screen with one more bullet.
- Never backtrack if you're on the right track—you won't find any useful clues.
- Use the Crime Computer sparingly or you'll use up valuable hours. And don't waste time playing tourist or needlessly criss-crossing the globe. Instead, use the Almanac to pinpoint your clues.
- Before you attempt an arrest, be sure you've got a warrant from the Crime Computer. But don't wait too long to get one: If you don't have one—or if you've had one issued for the wrong suspect—you can't make the arrest and the thief will slip through your fingers!
- Every case is different. Whenever you begin a new assignment, you start at a new city, with a new suspect and a new stolen treasure.
- Once you've reached the top detective rank, play until you've caught Carmen Sandiego herself. She's one tough cookie to catch, and if you get her, you're an awesome Ace Detective and you've won the game!

POLICE DOSSIERS...

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Gleaned from Interpol's files and our field agents, these contain valuable clues for tracking down members of V.I.L.E.



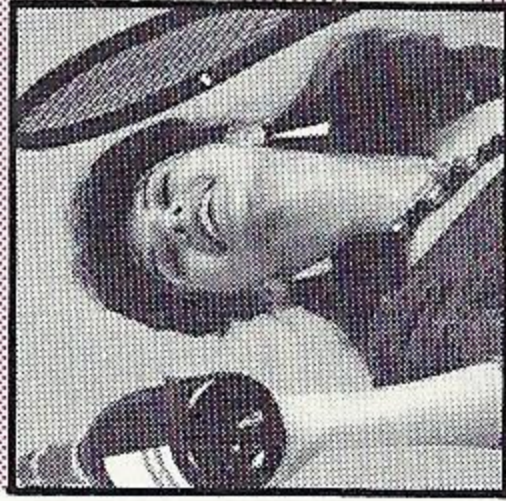
Name: CARMEN SANDIEGO **Occupation:** Former spy for the Intelligence Service of Monaco

Carmen Sandiego (known as "Buffy") is an agent, double agent, triple agent and quadruple agent for so many countries even she has forgotten who she's working for. The auburn-haired founder of the Villains' International League of Evil (V.I.L.E.) has recruited the most cunning band of thieves in history. During her years as a Monacan secret agent, she posed as a tennis pro and always traveled to matches in her 1939 Packard convertible. Carmen has a fondness for tacos and never appears in public without her famous ruby necklace, "The Moon of Moldavia."



Name: FAST EDDIE B. **Occupation:** World class croquet player; carries custom-made mallets in the trunk of his convertible

Gentleman thief and society cat burglar, Fast Eddie mixes easily with the jet set and can usually be found at one of the top 10 playgrounds for the rich. Impeccably groomed, he once fought a duel with a waiter in his favorite Mexican restaurant when the man spilled a drop of hot sauce on his white linen suit. His most famous crime was the theft of a damask tablecloth. Posing as a waiter, he removed it from the table during a state dinner for the Ambassador—without spilling a drop or breaking a plate. The theft wasn't noticed until dessert was served. This raven-haired criminal mastermind's trademark is a diamond stickpin left at the scene of his crime.



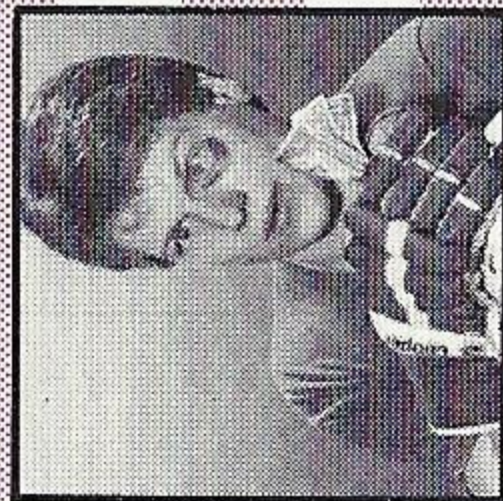
Name: **MERREY LAROC** **Occupation:** Freelance aerobic dancer

For the past five years, this brunette beauty has traveled the world with her mobile health spa, conducting exercise classes for the extremely wealthy. Is this merely a cover for her criminal activities? When she isn't pilfering treasures, Merrey can be found enjoying the good life. A world class mountain climber, she has a mania for fancy jewelry and spicy foods. Her favorite mode of travel is a fancy limousine where she can relax—and plot.



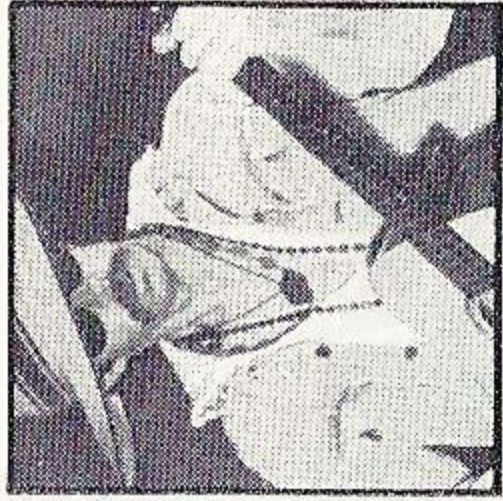
Name: **DAZZLE ANNIE NONKER** **Occupation:** Proprietress of the toughest yogurt bar east of Suez

Sole heir to the fortune of shoelace king Baron Franz von Nonker, Annie was disinherited when she ran off with the Croatian tennis team. Cast adrift when she failed to make the cut for the Davis Cup mixed doubles, she was forced to live by her wits—and the paltry \$3 million saved from her allowance. With this modest windfall and her innate grit, the blond bombshell opened Chez Acidophilus. Frequented by the dregs of humanity, it's the headquarters for V.I.L.E. Annie is rumored to have a tattoo and a craving for shellfish. She drives a Bugatti limousine.



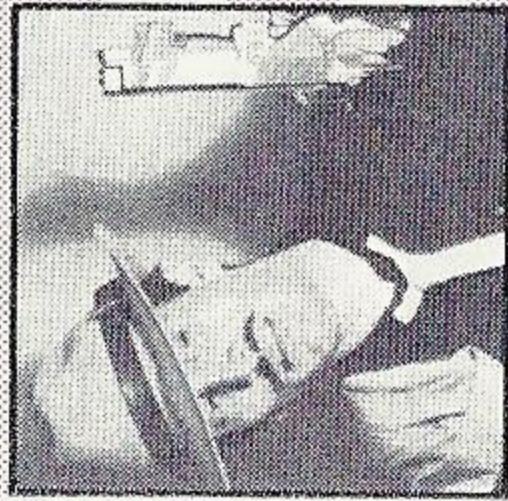
Name: **LEN "RED" BULK** **Occupation:** Ex-professional hockey player and compulsive gambler; barred from the sport for life when caught trying to bribe himself

Bitter and unemployed, Bulk turned to crime to support his gambling habit. He swears he will quit just as soon as he "wins the big one." Because of an unfortunate habit of blocking too many shots with his head, Len occasionally thinks he's a Big Horn sheep and tries to climb the nearest peak. Cannot fit into any car that has a top; he loves seafood and has a mermaid tattoo on his right thumb.



Name: SCAR GRAYNOLT **Occupation:** Plays the role of a mild-mannered folk guitarist; in reality, he's plug-ugly

Graynolt made a fortune selling reflective headbands to Scandinavian basketball teams so they could play outdoor games during winter months. A super athlete, Scar plays killer croquet for money. One of his prize possessions is a five-carat pinky ring he won from Ihor Ihorovitch in a three-day marathon match. Rarely seen in public, he rides around in a limousine with shaded windows with his trusted man-servant and only companion, a 6'8" Sherpa. He is said to have red hair.



Name: NICK BRUNCH **Occupation:** Hard-boiled ex-private eye, ear, nose and throat

Nick's only loves are fast cars and faster women, and he'll never turn down a caper that lets him live in the fast lane. An avid mountain climber, Brunch was last seen roaring through an Alpine village on his Kamikaze 1250 motorcycle. He generally wears a soiled trenchcoat, snap-brimmed fedora and Dick Tracy Crimefighter's ring on his left hand. He and close friend Scar Graynolt share an interest in Mexican food. Brunch has black hair, brown eyes and a seedy mustache.



Name: LADY AGATHA WAYLAND **Occupation:** Reader of mystery stories set in upper-class English drawing rooms and all-around colorful character in sensible shoes

While she has no ability solving murder cases, Lady Agatha is very interested in amassing great wealth. With her red tresses streaming, she speeds her Dengthby super-chauvinist speedster through the countryside looking for great Mexican restaurants. An avid sportswoman, Lady Agatha has been known to pick up a few extra bucks on weekends trouncing unsuspecting locals on the tennis court. She sports a diamond ring the size of a small grapefruit—stolen from the Royal Treasury of Graustark.



Name: **IHOR IHOROVICH** **Occupation:** Pretender to the Czarist throne—and a lot of other things

A likeable brute fascinated with large marsupials, Ihorovich provides an additional hand for the mob's nefarious activities. Blond and sporting a strange Ukrainian tattoo, he has been known to eat the contents of an entire lobster tank. Ihorovich has a color television set in his limousine so he doesn't miss the Saturday morning cartoons.



Name: **KATHERINE 'BOOM-BOOM' DRIB** **Occupation:** Three-time winner of the Trans-Siberian motorcycle race; official hostess for V.I.L.E.

This brunette beauty—a one-time centerfold for *Popular Mechanics*—is a health fanatic. Although she has never actually attended a meeting, she's a charter member of Merrey LaRoc's aerobics class. A gourmet cook who specializes in seafood, she is also fascinated with the concept of mountain climbing. She has a tattoo of an eagle on her left bicep.

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NOTE: Refer to this special Detective's Almanac for the facts you'll need to track down your suspects on your 'round-the-world adventure. Reading the whole booklet before you play will give you that Ace Detective edge!

ARGENTINA

City: Buenos Aires **Language:** Spanish **Currency:** Austral

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: The second largest country in South America, this former Spanish colony stretches from the Gran Chaco, its swampy and wooded plains in the north, to the cool, arid steppes of Patagonia in the south. The central fertile pampas, known for their cowboys called "gauchos," yield beef and grain; soybeans and linseed oil are other major commodities. Mt. Aconcagua, the highest peak in the western hemisphere; the Parana River; and the Tierra del Fuego archipelago off her southern tip are major geographic features.

Landmark: The Obelisk in the Plaza de la Republica

AUSTRALIA

City: Sydney **Language:** English **Currency:** Dollar

Government: Democracy with a federal state system and a Prime Minister

History, Geography & Commodities: Formally claimed for Great Britain in 1770 by explorer Captain James Cook, this island continent of jungles, mountains and the Great Victoria and Great Sandy Deserts is nearly the size of the U.S., but with $\frac{1}{15}$ the population. Between major cities Sydney and Melbourne on the eastern coast lies Canberra, the capital. In the arid region called the Outback live the Aborigines, descendents of the country's original tribal inhabitants; massive sheep ranches here produce wool and lamb. Well-known wildlife includes tiger snakes, kangaroos, wallabies, koalas, wombats and the ferocious marsupial called the Tasmanian devil.

Landmark: The Opera House in Sydney's harbor

BRAZIL

City: Rio de Janeiro **Language:** Portuguese (official), English

Currency: Cruzeiro

Government: Federal republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Larger than the continental U.S., and the biggest country in South America, it was discovered by a Portuguese navigator in 1500; at the time, it was inhabited by native Indian tribes whose few remaining descendents still live in the heavily-wooded Amazon basin that covers half the country. In the wilds you'll find the indigo macaw, barba amarilla, bushmaster, rare golden parakeet and the thin-spined porcupine. Economy depends on coffee, diamonds, and titanium. The capital is Brasilia.

Landmark: Sugar Loaf Mountain

CANADA

City: Montreal **Language:** English & French **Currency:** Dollar

Government: Confederation with parliamentary democracy; Prime Minister is Head of the Government; Queen Elizabeth II appoints a representative Head of State

History, Geography & Commodities: While Norse explorer Leif Ericson probably landed in the year 1,000, we credit Cabot (in the service of England) and Jacques Cartier (for France) with discovering this vast area larger than the U.S. Former French and British colonies whose native heritage includes the Inuits (Eskimos), today it consists of 10 provinces, including Prince Edward Island, and 2 large territories, the Northwest Territories and the Yukon. Ottawa, in Ontario, is the capital, and the St. Lawrence River, Lake Mistassini, Montgomery Falls and Gaspé Peninsula are major geographic landmarks. Beware the moose birds of the Laurentian Uplands and the whooping cranes. Dig for uranium, potash, lead and nickel.

Landmark: Notre Dame de Bonsecours

CHINA

City: Beijing (once known as Peking) **Language:** Chinese (official Mandarin, Cantonese, many dialects) **Currency:** Yuan

Government: People's Republic with a Party Chairman

History, Geography & Commodities: Ruled for thousands of years by dynasties (including the Yuan and the Chang) and interdynastic warring kingdoms under warlords, its political history also includes the famous Wuchang uprising. Mostly deserts and mountains, including the Kunlun chain, with the Yellow and Yangtze Rivers creating its only extensive plains, China is larger than the U.S. Don't get Shanghai'd on the Yellow Sea in a ship carrying precious silks and jade. Local wildlife includes giant pandas and silkworms. Mercury is in its element here.

Landmarks: The Great Wall (visible from outer space) and the Forbidden City, former residence of the emperors

COMOROS

City: Moroni **Language:** French, Comoran-Arabic **Currency:** Franc

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Located in the Mozambique Channel off the east coast of Africa, these three volcanic islands are half the size of Delaware and populated by, among other things, the Anjouan scops owl. Once ruled by Moslem sultans and known for its Moslem art, they now export vanilla beans and perfume.

Landmark: Mt. Karthala

EGYPT

City: Cairo **Language:** Arabic **Currency:** Pound

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Pharaohs buried in magnificent tombs in the valley of the Nile River, queens such as Cleopatra, high priests, sultans and pashas have ruled this ancient nation whose history and civilization date back to 4,000 B.C. The ancient city of Alexandria housed one of the greatest libraries in history. The Suez Canal separates the Sinai Peninsula and its Desert from the rest of the country. Nomadic Bedouins and Nubian artifacts remind us of ancient times, when workers eked out their livelihoods raising cotton, corn and sugar and quarrying limestone—as they still do today.

Landmarks: The Pyramids and the Sphinx at Giza

FRANCE

City: Paris **Language:** French **Currency:** Franc

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Julius Caesar conquered Celtic Gaul 2,000 years ago, and it remained Roman until the Franks invaded in the 5th century. This western European nation has experienced political turmoil, including the French Revolution in 1789, which overthrew the monarchy, and the 1940 German invasion that brought it into World War II. From the fertile plains and the banks of the Seine River in Paris to the heights of Mt. Blanc, France represents civilization and the finer things, like art, textiles, high fashion, perfume, and wine to go with its fabulous food.

Landmarks: Eiffel Tower and the Louvre Museum

GREECE

City: Athens **Language:** Greek **Currency:** Drachma

Government: The Hellenic Republic, with a parliamentary republic and a Prime Minister

History, Geography & Commodities: This former city-state is a neighbor of Yugoslavia on the Balkan Peninsula, separated from Turkey by the Aegean Sea and split down the middle by the Pindus Mountains. Its 2,000 islands include Crete, Rhodes and Corfu. The Spartan War, philosophers such as Plato and Socrates, and writers such as Homer and Aeschylus highlight the remarkable history of one of the oldest and most advanced civilizations in Western history. It's known today as a producer of olives and figs.

Landmarks: The Parthenon and Mount Olympus, home of the gods

HUNGARY

City: Budapest **Language:** Hungarian **Currency:** Forint

Government: Communist unitary state with a Party Secretary

History, Geography & Commodities: The Danube River divides the cities of Buda and Pest, which together are the capital of this country in east central Europe. Bordered by Czechoslovakia, Austria, Romania and the U.S.S.R., most of the country is fertile—good for growing grapes—and includes the well-known Alföld plain. These Croatian people were invaded by the Magyars in 896 A.D., then ruled by King Stephen I (997–1038), known as St. Stephen; its greatest period of medieval power came in the 14th century. The population still contains Gypsies, descended from the early immigrants who came from India. Bauxite, from which aluminum is derived, is mined here.

Landmark: The Danube Bridge

ICELAND

City: Reykjavik **Language:** Icelandic **Currency:** Kronur (New Króna)

Government: Republic

History, Geography & Commodities: This North Atlantic island of glaciers, hot springs, geysers and a lava desert proudly maintains the world's oldest parliament; called the Althing, it is far less shaky than the region itself, which is among the most volcanic on earth. Settled by the Vikings before 900 A.D. and once under Danish rule, it has been an independent state for nearly 50 years. Along her fertile coastline live fishermen, sheep farmers and turnip growers.

Landmark: Mt. Hekla

INDIA

City: New Delhi **Language:** Hindi, English, 14 others **Currency:** Rupee

Government: Federal republic with a Prime Minister

History, Geography & Commodities: This former British colony, still a member of the Commonwealth of Nations, dates her history from 327 B.C., when Alexander the Great invaded the subcontinent. Moslem invaders founded the Mogul Empire, famous for its palace. Hindu and Sikh temples remind us of the population's diversity. The three great rivers, the Indus, the Ganges and the Brahmaputra, all start high in the Himalaya Mountains, whose famous peak Nanda Devi attracts would-be climbers. But they should beware the wild yaks, cobras and king cobras, and the saw-scaled vipers. Major commodities include cashews, spices, and dried coconut meat, called copra.

Landmarks: Taj Mahal and the Red Fort

IRAQ

City: Baghdad **Language:** Arabic, Kurdish **Currency:** Dinar

Government: Ruling Council

History, Geography & Commodities: Watch out for the venomous puff adder in the Syrian Desert as you pick dates and mill oil in this country on the Persian Gulf. The arid lands of Jordan, Syria, Turkey, Iran, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia surround it, but the Tigris and Euphrates form a fertile delta in the south. The capital, Baghdad, was founded in the 8th century, and a historical map would reveal the ancient lands of Sumeria, Babylonia, Mesopotamia and Assyria.

Landmarks: Moslem mosques

ITALY

City: Rome **Language:** Italian **Currency:** Lira

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: By the 5th century, the Holy Roman Empire ruled most of western Europe, and with the flowering of the Renaissance, Italy led the world in science, learning, and in art, a heritage that dates back to the ancient Etruscans. Today its beautiful textiles and shoes, along with quarried marble, are its major industries. With the Appenines running down the center like the tongue of its boot-like shape, this mountainous country boasts famous volcanoes such as Vesuvius, which buried Pompeii, and Etna. It is bounded on the west by the Tyrrhenian Sea and on the east by the Adriatic, into which the Po River flows.

Landmarks: The Colosseum and the Forum

JAPAN

City: Tokyo **Language:** Japanese **Currency:** Yen

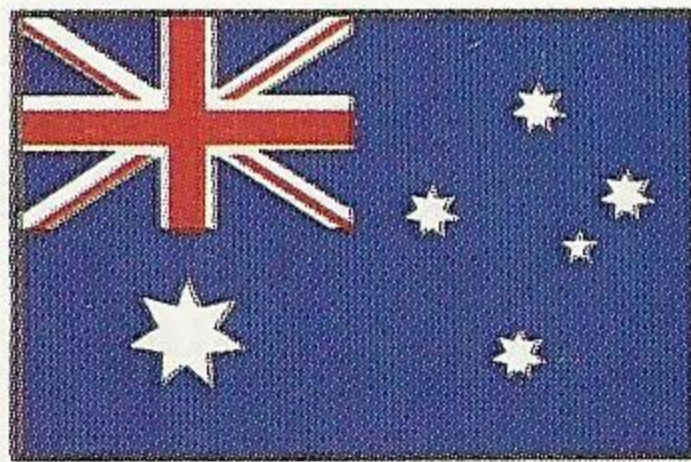
Government: Parliamentary democracy under an Emperor

History, Geography & Commodities: Legend says Emperor Jimmu, a descendent of a sun goddess, founded this nation in 660 B.C. When Commodore Perry "opened" Japan to the West in 1854, its feudal system was still in the power of the mighty shoguns and their samurai warriors. Shinto shrines dot the landscape of the 1,744-mile-long archipelago, whose four main islands are Hokkaido, Kyushu, Shikoku and Honshu. While there are about 60 active volcanoes, Mt. Fuji is not one of them. Rice was its agricultural and economic mainstay for thousands of years, but since the end of World War II, Japan has produced a steady diet of electronic instruments and automobiles for the rest of the world.

Landmarks: The Imperial Palace and Mt. Fuji



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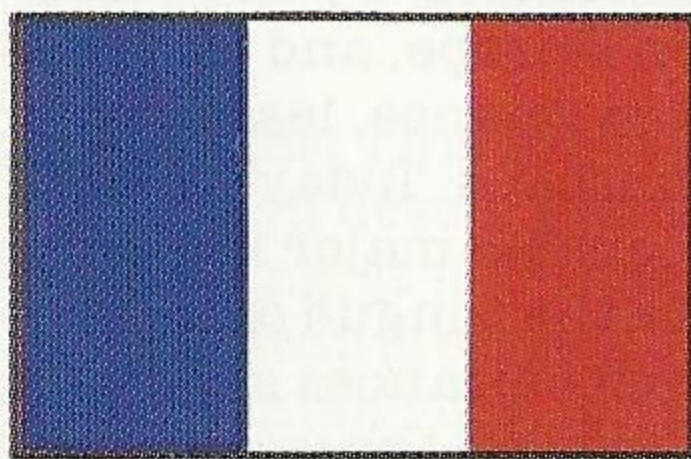
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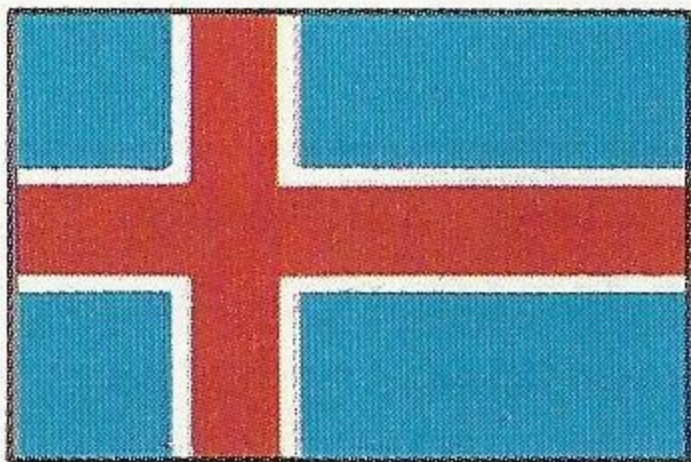
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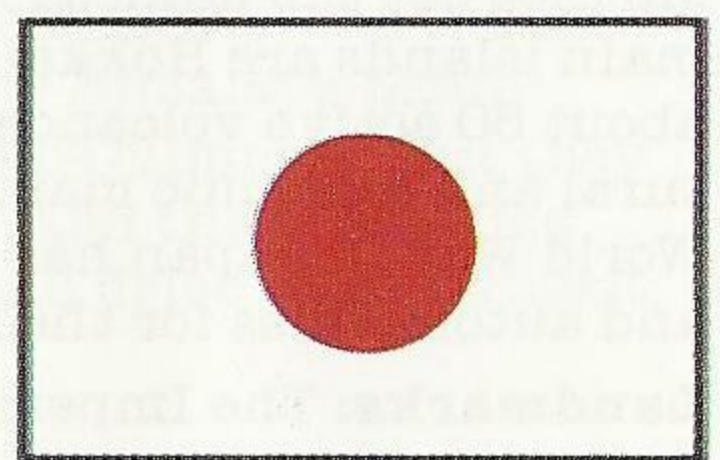
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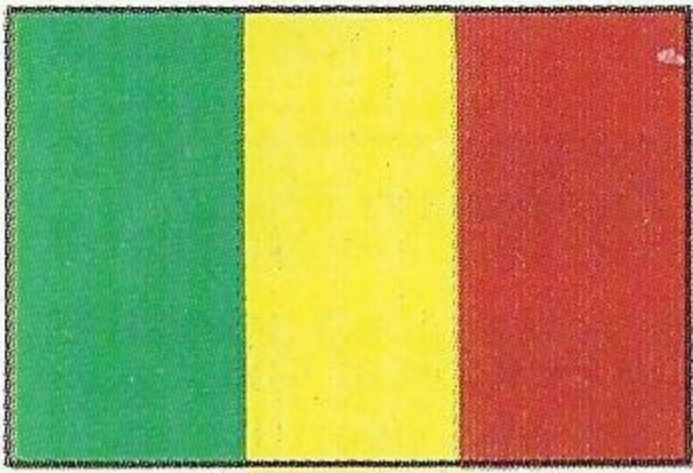
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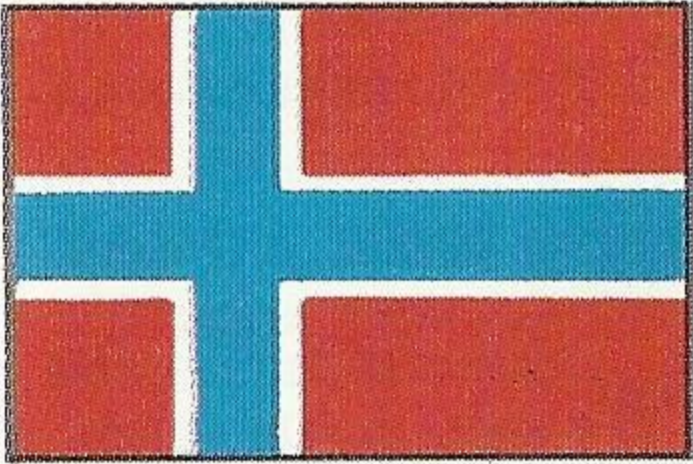
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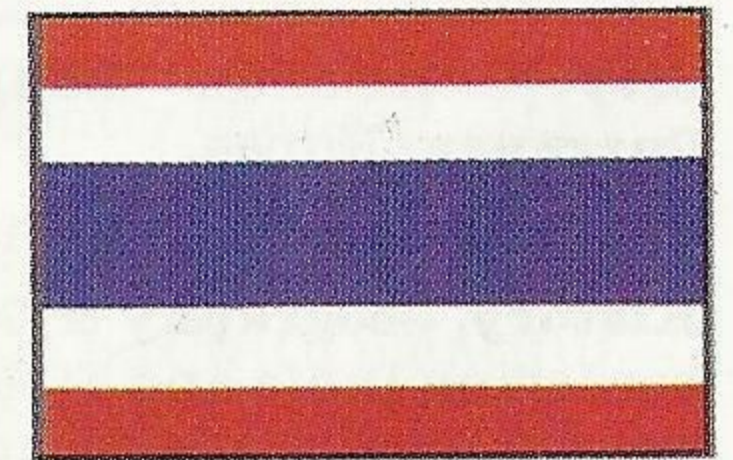
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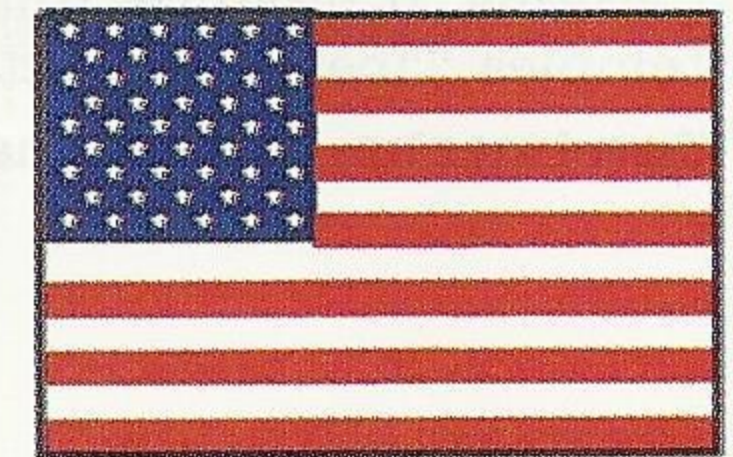
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MALI

City: Bamako **Language:** Mande, Bambara, French **Currency:** Franc

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Land-locked in the middle of the Sahara Desert, this arid country must grow its millet, rice and peanuts in the southern region irrigated by the Niger and Senegal Rivers. The Tuareg people and the Mande tribes always watched out for the desert horned viper on their way to Timbuktu, once a famous center for Islamic study. When it was a colony of France, Mali was called French Sudan.

Landmarks: Grand Marché and the Cliffs of Koulouba

MEXICO

City: Mexico City **Language:** Spanish **Currency:** Peso

Government: Federal republic called the United Mexican States, with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Located across the Rio Grande River from Texas—and 3 times its size—Mexico is a land of harsh deserts, lush forests and rugged mountains like the Sierra Madre, filled with such treasures as silver, coffee, and sugar. The Yucatan jewelry gives a glimpse of the vanished splendor of native Indian empires of the Mayas, the Toltecs and the Aztecs. These empires are now mere ruins, with only the gila monsters to scamper among the remains of the once-awesome temples and palaces.

Landmark: Mt. Popocatepetl

NEPAL

City: Kathmandu **Language:** Nepali (official), Newari, Bhutia, 10 others

Currency: Rupee

Government: Constitutional monarchy with a King

History, Geography & Commodities: High in the Himalaya Mountains, bordering India and Tibet (part of China) and near Bangladesh and Bhutan, lies Shangri-la, a land cut off from the outside world for centuries. From the shadow of Everest, the world's highest mountain, to the plain of the sacred Ganges River, this tiny Hindu country is just the size of North Carolina. It produces quartz, jute and animal skins and is known for its temples, Tibetan artifacts and Gurkhas.

Landmarks: Annapurna and Baruntse

NORWAY

City: Oslo **Language:** Norwegian, Lapp **Currency:** Kroner

Government: Constitutional monarchy with a King

History, Geography & Commodities: Seafaring and ships are still king in this land of the Vikings and the midnight sun, of the dark works of a playwright named Henrik Ibsen and the light hair of a king named Harald. The rugged fjords, jagged mountains (great skiing!), plateaus and cold waters of the Barents Sea provide majestic beauty—and hydroelectric power. Besides pyrite, Norway produces paper.

Landmarks: Kon-Tiki Museum and Frogner Park

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

City: Port Moresby **Language:** English (official), Melanesian Pidgin, Police Motu, plus 717 local languages **Currency:** Kina

Government: Parliamentary democracy with a Prime Minister under the sovereign rule of Queen Elizabeth II

History, Geography & Commodities: Discovery came late to this heavily forested and mountainous island near Indonesia, Australia, New Ireland, the Admiralty Islands and the Coral Sea. White men have still not penetrated the interior of this former Dutch colony, once governed by powerful taipans. Maybe they fear the head-hunting tribes that may still lurk in the jungles, guarding the gold—if not the cocoa and the coconuts. The volcanic island's eastern half is called Papua New Guinea.

Landmarks: Mt. Karkar and Mt. Manam

PERU

City: Lima **Language:** Spanish **Currency:** Sol, recently changed to the Inti

Government: Constitutional republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Pack your lunch box with plentiful local sardines as you and your llama trek up into the high Andes in this former Spanish colony. As you pass the ruins of the temples left from the Inca Empire, imagine the Conquistadors invading this wealthy land and plundering its native Aymara art and precious ore. Today copper and molybdenum are traded in world markets. Nearly the size of Alaska, Peru borders Ecuador, Colombia, Brazil, Bolivia and Chile.

Landmarks: Mt. Solimana and Plaza de Armas

RWANDA

City: Kigali **Language:** Swahili, Kinyarwanda, French

Currency: Franc

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: All available arable land is farmed in this densely populated country in east central Africa. Until modern times, the very tall Tutsi were in power over the Hutu, but their control ended in 1959. This former German colony was administered as part of the Belgian Congo until it gained independence in 1962. As you paddle up the Kagera River into its lush jungles, beware the slithery black mambas; but you needn't fear the pygmies, the shy mountain gorillas, or the wolframite. The country's main exports include coffee and tin.

Landmarks: Vulcan Karisimbi and Lake Kivu

SAN MARINO

City: San Marino **Language:** Italian **Currency:** Lira

Government: Independent republic with 2 co-regents

History, Geography & Commodities: The world's oldest—and smallest—republic, founded in the 4th century, the Most Serene Republic of San Marino is $\frac{1}{10}$ th the size of New York City and is completely surrounded by Italy. As befits its tiny size, one of its main commodities is postage stamps. Sheep graze in the mountains, and local artisans produce ceramics.

Landmarks: Mt. Titano and the three Medieval fortresses

SINGAPORE

City: Singapore **Language:** Malay, Chinese, Tamil, English

Currency: Dollar

Government: Parliamentary democracy with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Smaller in area than the city of New York, the main island and 40 smaller ones that comprise this republic are populated mostly by Chinese and feature rain forests and mangrove swamps populated by venomous stonefish. One of the world's largest ports, its major industries are ships, lumber and rubber. This former British crown colony, noted for its Tamil artifacts and Malayan art, is located between the South China Sea and the Indian Ocean, on the Strait of Malacca.

Landmarks: Raffles Hotel and the Botanical Gardens

SOVIET UNION

City: Moscow **Language:** Russian, Polish, Turkish, Uralian, Ukrainian, others **Currency:** Ruble

Government: Federal union controlled by the Communist Party with a Party Secretary

History, Geography & Commodities: Predominantly a Slavic nation, the many republics in the world's largest country include the Ukraine, Moldavia and Georgia. Her tsarist rulers left a legacy of art treasures that help us forget the Terrible rule of Ivan IV Vasilievich in the 16th century, 3 centuries after the Moguls had invaded. Covering $\frac{1}{6}$ th the earth's surface, her mountain ranges include the Urals. Her boatmen pull together on the Volga when they're not sailing on Lake Ladoga; for lunch, they eat borscht made from local beets. Their boats haul antimony and oil.

Landmarks: The Kremlin and St. Basil's on Red Square

SRI LANKA

City: Colombo **Language:** Sinhala (official), Tamil, English **Currency:** Rupee

Government: Democratic Socialist Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: The Portuguese, Dutch and British have each ruled this mountainous island in the Indian Ocean off the southeastern tip of India and separated from it by the Gulf of Mannar. Once called Taprobane and then Ceylon, it is populated mostly by Sinhalese (descendents of the Veddahs, known for their artifacts), who work harvesting rice, coconuts and tea. They ward off bugs with citronella, but that doesn't help against the infamous sea snakes.

Landmarks: Ancient Serendip temples

THAILAND

City: Bangkok **Language:** Thai **Currency:** Baht

Government: Constitutional monarchy with a King

History, Geography & Commodities: Due to King Mongkut and his son King Chulalongkorn (1851-1910), this is the only country in southeast Asia never ruled by a European power. Located on the Malay Peninsula next to Burma and Laos and near Cambodia, Malaysia and Indonesia, Thailand's fertile countryside is dotted with pagodas, canals and Siamese ruins. Her people, mostly Buddhists, work in the pepper, rice and teak industries.

Landmarks: Siamese Summer Palace and Buddhist temples

TURKEY

City: Istanbul **Language:** Turkish, Kurdish, Arabic **Currency:** Lira

Government: Republic with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: Located in Asia Minor between the Black and Mediterranean Seas, this republic of hot, dry summers and cold winters is half in Europe and half in Asia. Ringed by mountains on all but her west side, it boasts Mt. Ararat, traditionally considered the place where Noah landed the Ark. For 1,000 years, Constantinople (now called Istanbul) was the capital of the Byzantine Empire; today, Ankara is Turkey's capital. Civilizations such as the Hittites were among the world's earliest farmers, and figs, nuts, and tobacco are still Turkey's main industries; so is oil.

Landmarks: Sultan's Palace and the Blue Mosque

UNITED KINGDOM

City: London **Language:** English **Currency:** Pound

Government: Constitutional monarchy under a Queen, with a Parliament and a Prime Minister

History, Geography & Commodities: With their Druid priests, the Celts arrived in England 2,500 to 3,000 years ago. They were followed by the Romans, who stayed for about 400 years; when they left, the Jutes, Angles and Saxons from Scandinavia took over. Today this monarchy is ruled by the House of Windsor, in the person of Queen Elizabeth II. Comprised of England, with her famous Thames River; Scotland, with the Orkney Islands off the northernmost tip; Wales, across the Severn River from Bristol; and Northern Ireland. Woodcutters fell one of her major commodities; drink too much of one of her major exports, and you'll think you see the monster in Loch Ness.

Landmarks: Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament

UNITED STATES

City: New York **Language:** English **Currency:** Dollar

Government: Democracy with a President

History, Geography & Commodities: From her skyscraping World Trade Center to her subterranean subways, from Staten Island to the Hudson River (named for Henry, English explorer), New York City is the hub of high fashion and high finance, including the stock exchange and banking. The only "copper-heads" in the Museum of Modern Art are pieces of sculpture, not snakes. Did anyone ever figure out who's buried in Grant's Tomb?

Landmarks: Statue of Liberty and the United Nations Building

