

Battle Island

The Desert Lands

Giants Quarry



BEFORE ANY GREAT
ADVENTURER EMBARKS
ON THEIR QUEST, 
THEY CHECK THEIR MAPS.
YOU SHOULD TOO.



Far, where Onothorn,
ragon of flames nests.

There are no more
giants

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ARTISTRY 4 STRENGTH 35
CUTENESS 44 CUNNING 47



COURAGE 81 WISDOM 79
SPEED 67 UNIQUE POWERS 32

ARTISTRY 15 STRENGTH 45
CUTENESS 5 CUNNING 77



COURAGE 6 WISDOM 24
SPEED 17 UNIQUE POWERS 71

ARTISTRY 78 STRENGTH 25
CUTENESS 24 CUNNING 71



COURAGE 84 WISDOM 57
SPEED 39 UNIQUE POWERS 14

ARTISTRY 41 STRENGTH 79
CUTENESS 0 CUNNING 84



COURAGE 19 WISDOM 23
SPEED 41 UNIQUE POWERS 76

ARTISTRY 99 STRENGTH 84
CUTENESS 76 CUNNING 13



COURAGE 79 WISDOM 53
SPEED 43 UNIQUE POWERS 42

ARTISTRY 43 STRENGTH 49
CUTENESS 6 CUNNING 41



COURAGE 47 WISDOM 13
SPEED 21 UNIQUE POWERS 17

ARTISTRY 15 STRENGTH 11
CUTENESS 89 CUNNING 17



COURAGE 33 WISDOM 43
SPEED 78 UNIQUE POWERS 19

ARTISTRY 23 STRENGTH 34
CUTENESS 21 CUNNING 32



COURAGE 59 WISDOM 13
SPEED 45 UNIQUE POWERS 14

ARTISTRY 44 STRENGTH 10
CUTENESS 87 CUNNING 12



COURAGE 81 WISDOM 17
SPEED 17 UNIQUE POWERS 87

ARTISTRY 15 STRENGTH 84
CUTENESS 12 CUNNING 48



COURAGE 39 WISDOM 18
SPEED 34 UNIQUE POWERS 17

ARTISTRY 13 STRENGTH 77
CUTENESS 27 CUNNING 31



COURAGE 48 WISDOM 31
SPEED 41 UNIQUE POWERS 57

ARTISTRY 16 STRENGTH 81
CUTENESS 14 CUNNING 48



COURAGE 31 WISDOM 17
SPEED 19 UNIQUE POWERS 34

ARTISTRY 43 STRENGTH 38
CUTENESS 47 CUNNING 51



COURAGE 34 WISDOM 93
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COURAGE 87 WISDOM 50
SPEED 49 UNIQUE POWERS 71

ARTISTRY 7 STRENGTH 17
CUTENESS 39 CUNNING 48



COURAGE 28 WISDOM 13
SPEED 53 UNIQUE POWERS 59

ARTISTRY 43 STRENGTH 43
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COURAGE 92 WISDOM 44
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SHERBERT

AND THE PARTLY DIGESTED AMULET OF POWER



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NON-FICTION


Noun

Real events, facts and people

FICTION


Noun

Imaginary events, facts and people

THIS STORY IS FICTION. (OR IS IT?)

* ZOOMY

WHILE YOU READ THIS BOOK, YOU'LL HAVE THE UNIQUE ABILITY TO MANIPULATE YOUR ARTISTRY.

YOUR ARTISTRY ISN'T THE ABILITY TO MANIPULATE AIR, OR FIRE, LIKE SOME OF THE CHARACTERS IN THIS BOOK. NOR IS TO HOLD SWAY OVER MUD OR SMOKE OR WATER. YOUR ARTISTRY WILL BE THE MOST UNIQUE OF THEM ALL. YOU'LL BE ABLE TO SEE THINGS **NO ONE** IN ALEGNA CAN SEE.

YOU'LL HAVE THE GIFT OF GREAT SIGHT THROUGH ZOOMYS.

FOLLOW THE ARROWS TO JUMP AROUND THE STORY AND FIND OUT SECRETS.



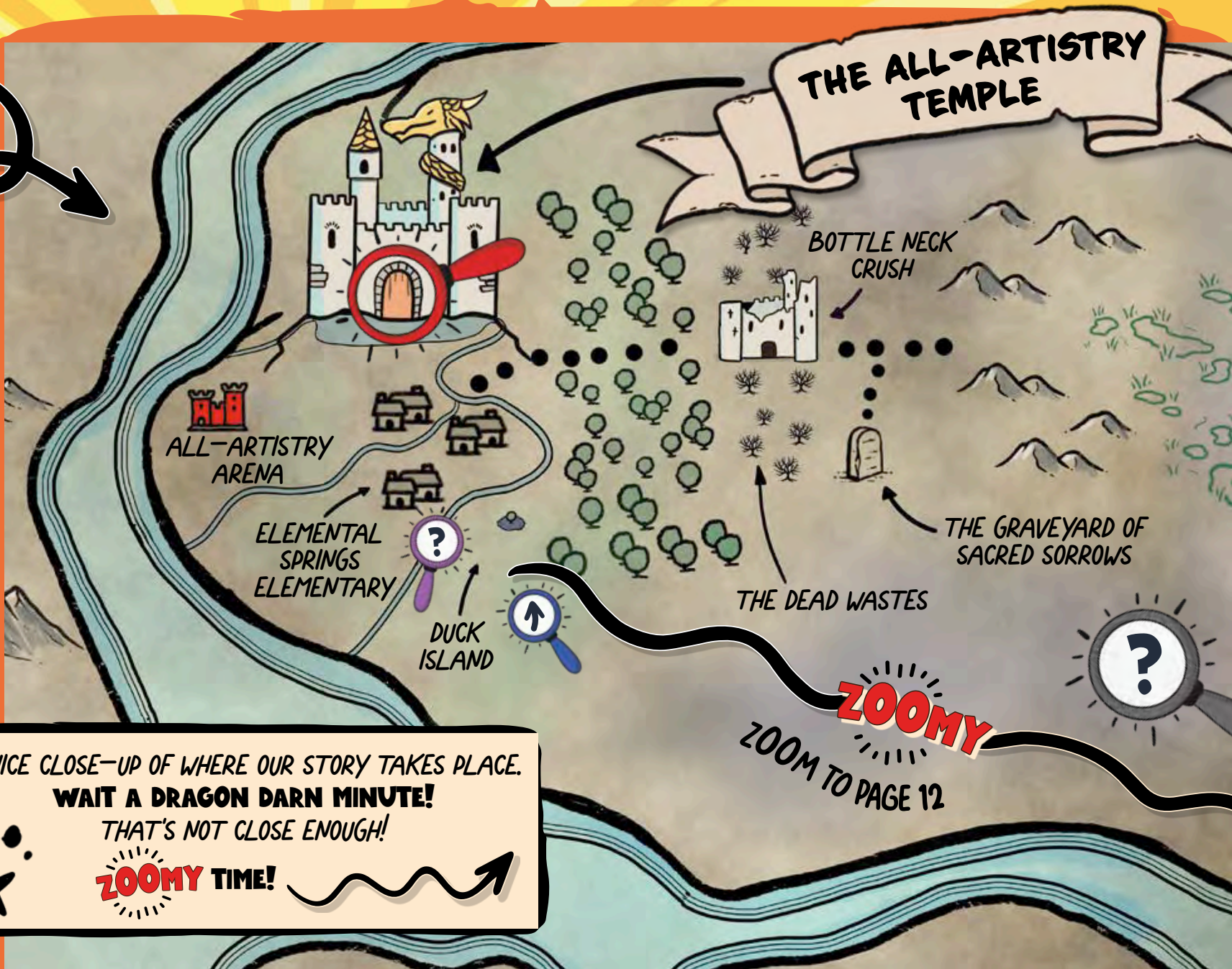
* FOLLOW THE LINE TO FIND OUT WHERE OUR STORY TAKES PLACE.

ZOOMY

ZOOM TO PAGE 10



THE ALL-ARTISTRY TEMPLE



A NICE CLOSE-UP OF WHERE OUR STORY TAKES PLACE.
WAIT A DRAGON DARN MINUTE!
THAT'S NOT CLOSE ENOUGH!

ZOOMY TIME!



**ODD GOINGS ON.
FIND OUT ON PAGE 30**

ZOOMY



AGILE EAGLE

NIMBLE NUTCRACKER

LET'S MEET HATECHI

LET'S MEET DIDI

PROLOGUE

TWO YEARS AGO

Hatechi *LEAPT* into the air, his sword held high as he hurtled towards Didi. The sun's light shone brilliantly off the blade, casting a dazzling display across the still pond.

'THE UNSTOPPABLE SWORD OF EMPOWERMENT WILL SLICE THROUGH YOUR SHIELD OF TENACITY!'

he **ROARED** with a fierce determination.



Didi was quick to respond.

'YOU ARE MISTAKEN,' she cried out, her voice carrying a note of defiance. *'FOR THIS IS NOT THE SHIELD OF TENACITY. IT IS THE SHIELD OF STORMS.'*

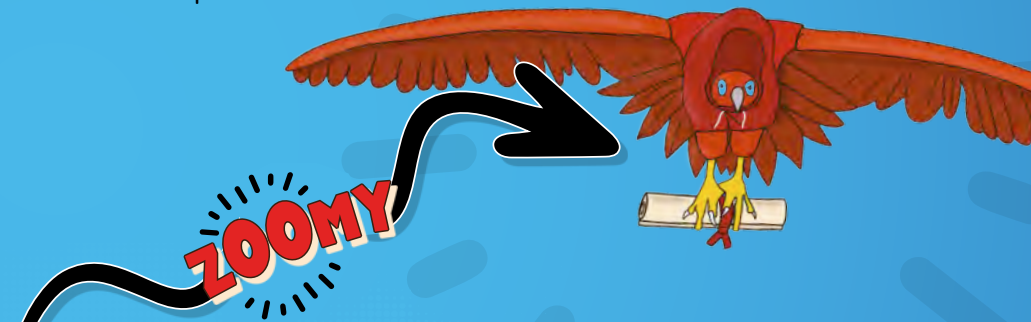
As the sword slammed into the shield, Didi let out a mighty **'BOOM!'** that echoed across the landscape. Hatechi was sent flying backwards and skidded to a stop. Undeterred, he tossed the sword into the once calm pond. With a quick motion, he retrieved a dagger

from his Cloak of Utilities, its gleaming



edge promising swift and certain victory.

'THE SHIELD OF STORMS IS NO MATCH FOR THE DAGGER OF TRANQUILLITY!' Hatechi exclaimed, his eyes glittering with malicious intent as he charged towards Didi once more. Swirling her arms in an attempt to summon the **FORCEFIELD OF TRUTH**, she realised that it was too late. Hatechi had her pinned to the mudbanks, his dagger poised to strike.



'HA! THE DAGGER OF TRANQUILLITY WILL BANISH YOU TO A WORLD WITHOUT ARTISTRY. YOU WILL BE FOREVER POWERLESS!' he cackled, raising the dagger high in the air.

Didi gasped and desperately searched for the **WHIP OF ENDLESS FARTS** or the **SPEAR OF A THOUSAND BURPS**, but neither was within her reach.

'NOT LIKE THIS!' she pleaded with Hatechi.



These intelligent birds are known for their loyalty to the people they choose as their family, and in return for a steady supply of food and a place to call home, they will eagerly lend their wings to that family's needs. With their keen eyesight and remarkable flying ability, the **HOODED VULTURE** serves as a courier, deftly delivering messages and small packages to distant destinations.

At that very moment, a Hooded Vulture screeched from the sky, dropping a scroll onto to the ground next to them.

'A LETTER FROM HOME,' Hatechi said.

'OOOOO! A HOODED VULTURE, IT MUST BE IMPORTANT,' added Didi.

Hatechi dropped the small stick he was holding and reached out his hand, pulling Didi to her feet.

'I ALMOST HAD YOU, SIS,' he said.

Didi discarded the shield of storms, which was actually just a large crab shell. *'YOU CAN'T CALL ME SIS,'* she reminded him.

