MISSING PERSON: A PRACTICAL GUIDE

Practical information for the adventure quest ‘missing person’

Eugène Ryckevelde is missing. According to his wife Rita, Eugène was a bit confused when he told her he went to Brussels. She did not hear from him ever since he left.

EUGÈNE RYCKEVELDE IS MISSING, SO WHAT NOW?

Gather a group of friends, relatives, colleagues or people from your organisation and travel to Brussels. The adventure quest can be done completely independently with the help of a ‘police report’. If you carry out the activities correctly, you will find Eugène’s location.

Practical information

WHERE?

The adventure quest starts at Brussels-Schuman train station and ends at Brussels-Central station. You can get there:

- **By public transport** (strongly recommended): When in Belgium, buy a return ticket for the Brussels zone. This way you can get on or off at any station in Brussels. Go to [http://www.b-rail.be/main/E/](http://www.b-rail.be/main/E/) to find out more about timetables and fares. Check [www.railtime.be](http://www.railtime.be) to see if there are any delays. If you are travelling on the weekend make sure to ask for a weekend ticket. A Rail Pass may also come in handy (74 euros for 10 journeys) or perhaps a Go Pass (-26 years, 50 euros for 10 journeys). Ask at the ticket office which formula suits you best.

- **By car**: There is ample free car parking available at the esplanade of Jubelpark/Parc du Cinquantenaire. From here, it is only a short walk to the start of the adventure quest. You may want to begin the quest by first taking in the beautiful view of Brussels from the Royal Museum of the Armed Forces and of Military History situated in Jubelpark/Parc du Cinquantenaire (extra activity in the adventure quest). If you want to park where the adventure quest ends, please visit [http://www.biponline.be/bip-contact](http://www.biponline.be/bip-contact) for more info.

WHEN TO DO IT?

- **DAY**: The adventure quest can be done any day of the week. However, if you do the adventure quest on a Monday, you will not be able to go up the triumphal arch of Jubelpark/Parc du Cinquantenaire (an extra activity in the adventure quest). Make sure to also check the calendar of Brussels to avoid ending up in any
demonstrations. Also, do not plan your visit during a European summit as chances are that the European quarter will be closed to the public at that time. To find out more information, please visit www.brusselsinternational.be. You can get a reward if you find the right answer until the end of the Belgian Presidency, December 2010.

- **TIME:** Start at Brussels-Schuman between 8:00 and 14:00. Some of the answers of the adventure quest can be found at the exhibition "experience Brussels!" at the BIP - Brussels Info Place. This exhibition is open daily from 10:00 to 18:00. Please take into account that you will have to spend a little bit of time at the exhibition looking for answers. Make sure you arrive there no later than 17:30.

**WHO CAN TAKE PART?**

Everyone can take part!

Interested **schools:** Students from 16 years onwards should have no problem doing this adventure quest in small groups. If in doubt: download the adventure quest and see for yourself whether your students will be able to manage it.

Ideally, the adventure quest should be done in **small groups of 2 to 6 people.** Is your group bigger than that? No problem! Simply split the group up into smaller teams. You could even carry out the adventure quest as a race against time (and each other), for instance, with each group leaving at 5 minute intervals of the others. At the end of the adventure quest, play "The euro game" together and use this as an "elimination activity".

**WHAT DO YOU NEED?**

- **Documents for the adventure quest.** Every participant needs to bring the two documents related to the adventure quest: the police report and the map. Print a couple of copies of the map. This way you can use one copy to find the solution and the other one to help you find your way around. Make sure to print the map at the highest possible print quality as this will increase legibility.
- **A ballpoint pen and felt-tip pen**
- **An umbrella.** Check the weather forecast to see whether you will need to bring one along: [http://www.meteo.be/meteo/view/en/65239-Home.html](http://www.meteo.be/meteo/view/en/65239-Home.html)
- **Make sure to wear comfortable shoes.** The adventure quest takes too long to do in heels or uncomfortable shoes!

**HOW LONG DOES THE ADVENTURE QUEST TAKE?**

The adventure quest takes 2.5 hours. Please note: this is an adventure quest 'with extras'. These extra activities may prolong your outing considerably! On average our test groups took 4 hours to complete the adventure quest, including time spent on breaks and extra activities. Without the extra activities, the course covers 4.5 kilometres.
EXTRA ACTIVITIES TO THE ADVENTURE QUEST INCLUDE

- **Beautiful view** from the triumphal arch in Jubelpark/Parc du Cinquantenaire. Open from Tuesday to Sunday between 9:00-11:45 and 13:00-16:30, not accessible to wheelchairs. Call 02 737 78 33 to find out whether you can definitely get in. Allow an extra 45 minutes for this extra.
- The **euro game**: Allow circa 10 minutes per group of 6 people. The bigger the group, the longer it will take.
- The **collaboration game**: Allow an extra 5 minutes.
- A **break**: Taking a break in between will certainly be a good idea when doing this quest. Be aware that this can easily last half an hour.

PICNIC AREA

The BIP - Brussels Info Place provides an area where groups can eat their sandwiches at lunchtime. However, this must be booked in advance. You can do this by calling 02 563 63 99.

CONTACT THE RYCKEVELDE TEAM

We are available for your questions or remarks at (+32) (0)50 35 27 20 or info[at]europahuis.be.

*Best of luck!*