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City Sleuths – New Orleans Program Overview

Are you familiar with scavenger or treasure hunts as team building activities? Well, **City Sleuths** is Team Craft's clever upgrade that is based on finding the answer to a series of riddles.

This is a team building activity that works well for a group wanting a clever and engaging way to develop teamwork and relationships while participating in a less structured program format.



The standard program lasts from 2.5 to 3 hours. An extended version runs for 4.5 hours and includes a mid-point facilitated discussion to improve teamwork during a second round.

Riddles & Strategy

Each team is given a collection of riddles to solve. Teams are directed to a section of the French Quarter to search out the answers.

Figuring out each riddle leads them to a location where they'll find a little known humorous or curious fact related to local history, famous people, or artistic or creative aspects of the location – and score points. Teams compete to score the most points.



What makes this activity so unusual and fun is that written riddles given to each team require participants to identify curious and historic elements by working past the obvious and easy answers. Each riddle is designed to

challenge assumptions and typical ways of thinking, but also uses shared knowledge of general trivia and observation to generate the answer. To be successful teams need to be creative – think outside the lines – but still follow a logical thread. First impressions are typically wrong. So teams are encouraged to involve each member in sharing observations and ideas.



The riddles cleverly cloak the identity of the street a team needs to go to, the building to look for, and the information needed there. It requires effective communication, shared problem solving, and open minds – all important elements of successful teamwork.

Experience the best of the French Quarter of New Orleans

The curious and stimulating street life in the French Quarter has no equal in North America. It is a gem waiting to be discovered, or re-discovered by old friends. City Sleuths engages participants in an exploration of many of the finer details of this fascinating area that are often overlooked by the casual visitor. From Jackson Square to Bourbon Street the sites range from fine antique galleries to voodoo lounges that beckon the participants to return for more.

Local history spans the Spanish, French, and early American eras. Now, more than ever, New Orleans and the French Quarter, are beckoning for you to visit, explore, and enjoy all it has offered America and the world for so many years!

The program is like a speed tour of points of interest that participants

experience in greater detail than most visitors. Participants discover the kitschy and humorous work of artisans mixed with facts about local celebrities or historic elements of national interest.

Prior experience with the activity location is unnecessary – it can actually work to a group's detriment if participants make too quick an assumption.

Team Craft facilitators support teams as appropriate. We debrief the experience so teams can identify skills that were needed to be successful.

Each correct answer earns points relative to its difficulty. Highest scoring team members are each awarded an engraved gold teamwork medal on a ribbon. Everyone receives a memento of the experience.

Let us solve the riddle of what program to do for your upcoming meeting. City Sleuths is the answer you're looking for!



City Sleuths Characteristics

- **Groups** of from 6 to 60 people participate in 3 to 5 member teams.
- **Location:** French Quarter
- **Length:** Programs can last from two and one-half to four and one-half hours.

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