

THE MIDNIGHT RIDE OF JANE THOMAS

ACTIVITY QUEST

Discover the story of Jane Thomas, a Patriot woman who traveled over 60 miles on horseback to warn a Patriot camp about an impending British attack.



ACTIVITY 1

A NEW BEGINNING

In the mid-1700s, Jane Thomas, along with her husband, John Thomas, and their children left Pennsylvania to start a new life in South Carolina. They traveled along the Great Wagon Road. Help Jane and her family navigate the map below to reach South

PENNSYLVANIA



SOUTH CAROLINA

ACTIVITY 2

LIFE IN THE BACKCOUNTRY

Jane's husband, John Thomas, had received a land grant in 1754. On the south side of the Catawba River near a small creek, they settled on six hundred acres of land in what is now York County, South Carolina. Discover some of the features and attributes of the South Carolina backcountry below.

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R I B C G B B C K A A O U V P

backcountry

Buffalo

Deer

grasslands

Loyalist

Turkey

barn

cabins

FairForest

gristmill

Patriot

wheelwright

blacksmith

creek

farm

livestock

sawmill

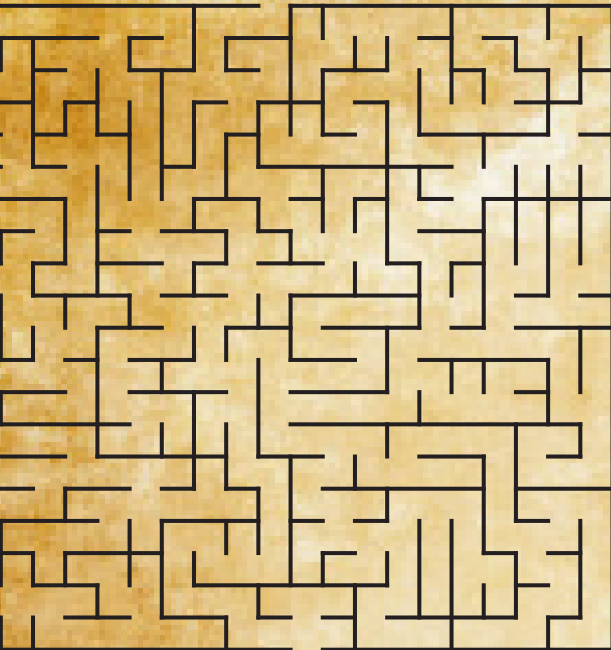
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With an emerging threat of British invasion, a delegation from Charles Town advocated for South Carolina men to sign the Articles of Association and agree to fight against the British. Travel through the South Carolina Backcountry below and garner support for the Patriot cause!

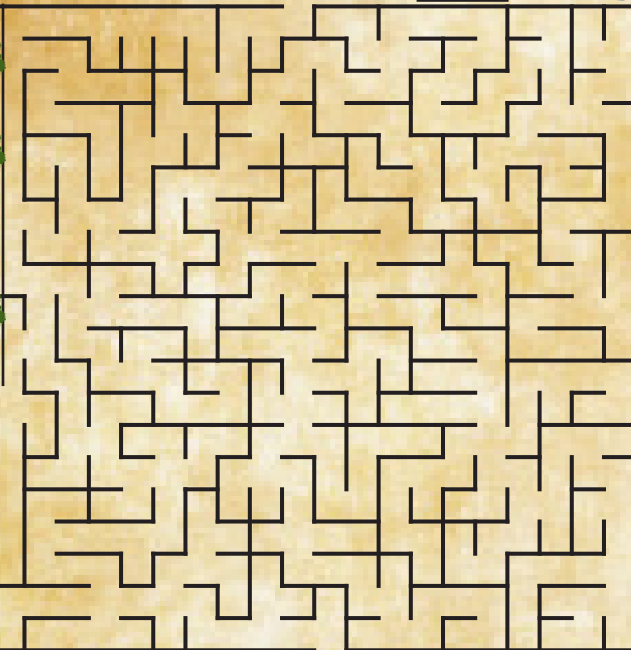
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PATRIOTS UNITED

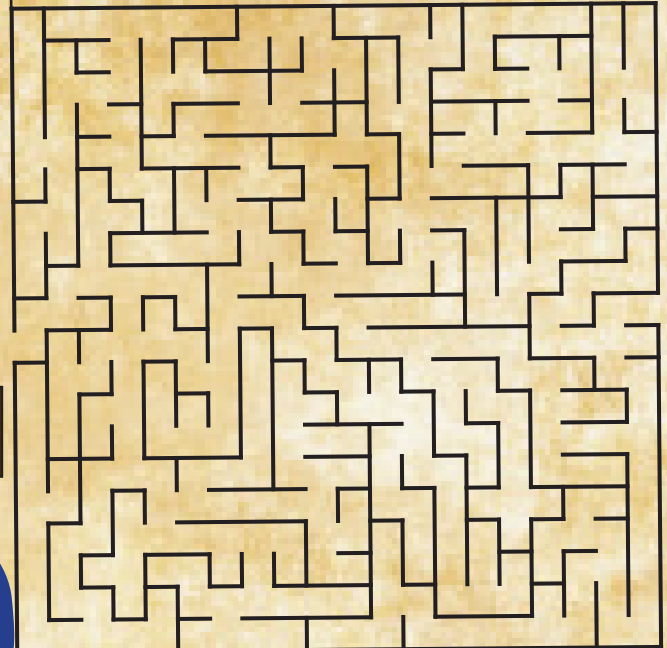
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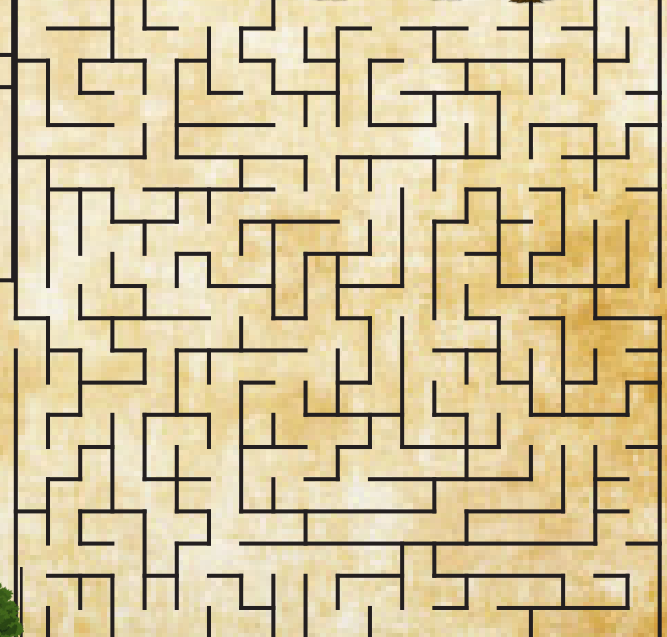
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THOMAS
HOMESTEAD



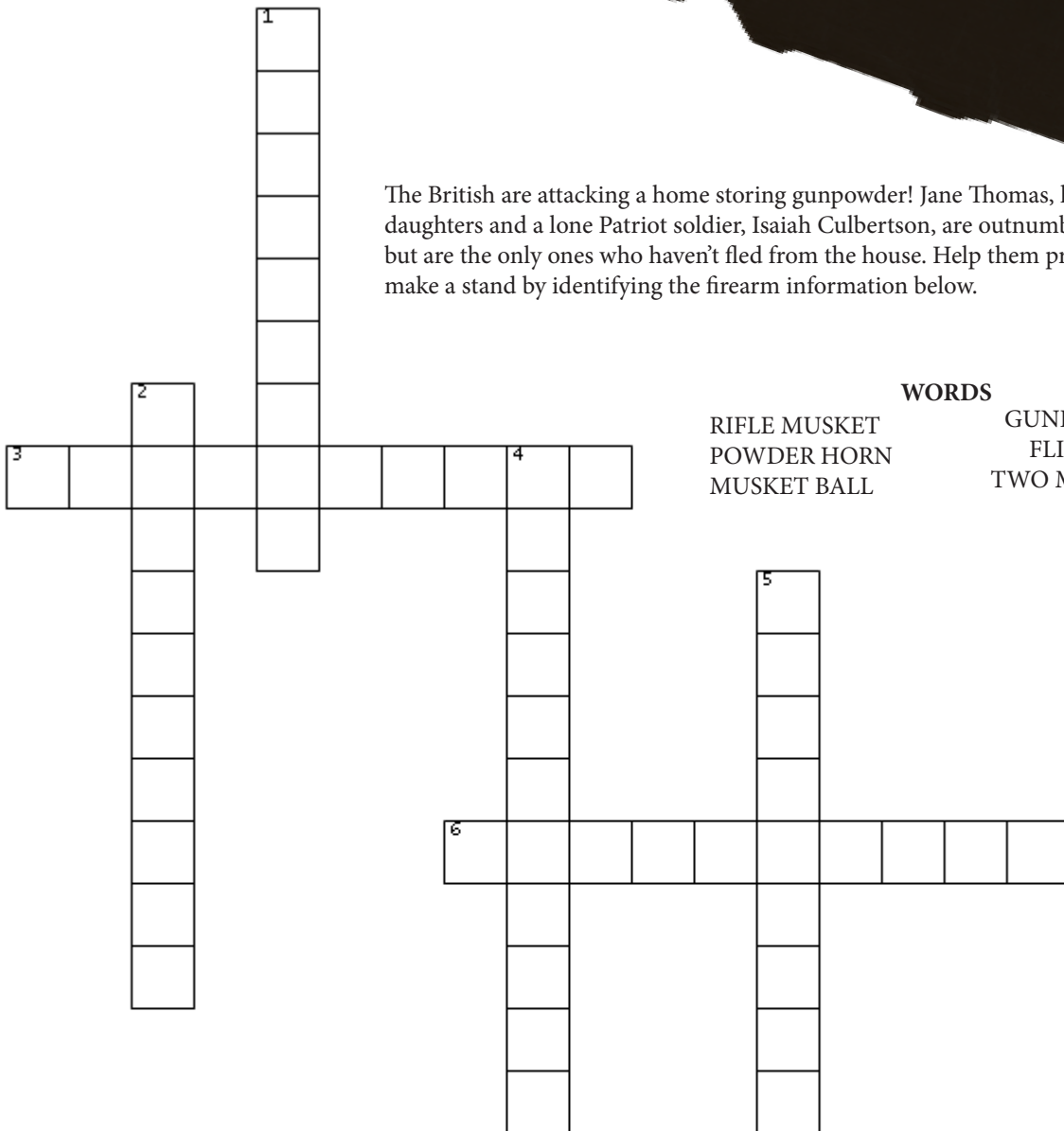
MISSION COMPLETE



START

ACTIVITY 4 UNDER ATTACK

The British are attacking a home storing gunpowder! Jane Thomas, her daughters and a lone Patriot soldier, Isaiah Culbertson, are outnumbered but are the only ones who haven't fled from the house. Help them prepare to make a stand by identifying the firearm information below.



WORDS

RIFLE MUSKET
POWDER HORN
MUSKET BALL

GUNPOWDER
FLINTLOCK
TWO MINUTES

ACROSS

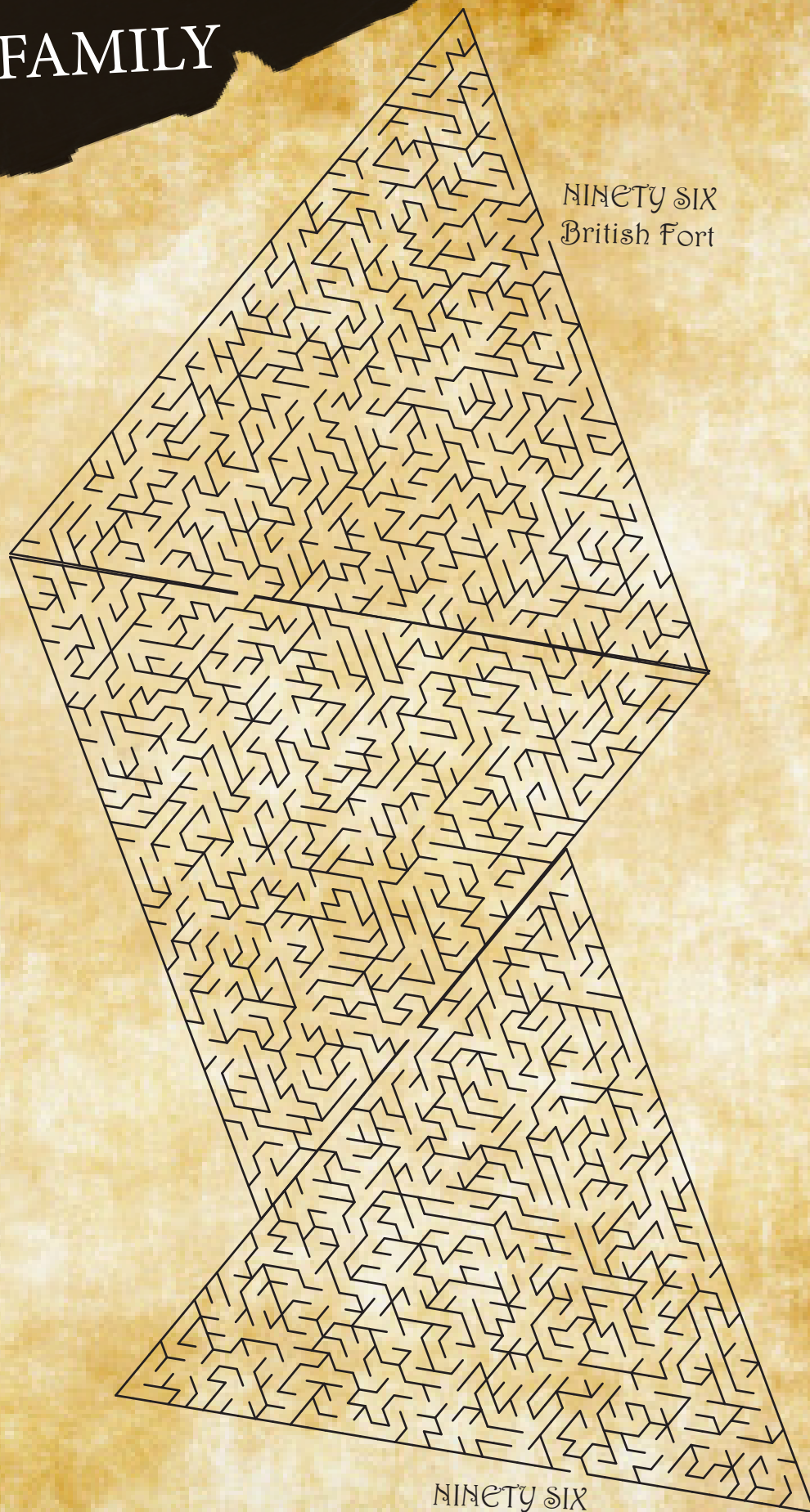
3. Used to carry the gunpowder, keep the gunpowder dry, and load the gunpowder.
6. The ammunition of a musket. Made of metal alloy, commonly lead.

DOWN

1. Loaded into the musket to be ignited. Upon ignition, it launches the musket ball.
2. The amount of time it takes an expert to load their musket.
4. A common firearm used throughout the Revolutionary War.
5. The ignition mechanism used for muskets and other Revolution-era firearms.

ACTIVITY 5

RIDE FOR FAMILY



NINETY SIX
British Fort

NINETY SIX
British Fort

K A R G A I S N S T R E B E L
C O A M P I A T Y C E D A R S
T P R I L N G S R T O M O R R
O W N A I G H B N T I B Y L P
Y U Y S D O R P E L R H D R M
M O M Y P I Z T H W F U O I Q
L R B A T X X P N B S R I X N
N L G I A B O P M K B P S Q A
Q S S M A K U A C Y V W Q W A
M H K I O H C W F L O G N I K
F F Y P Q G C H L R E D R N T
W M L U X B A E O Y L T G Q U
C L I N T O N H W D V U Z Z X
Z D J N V I V E N G L A N D Q

British Clinton England
Henry King Loyalist
Tory

