

# **The 2011 Impossible Montreal Scavenger Hunt**

==

THE RULES (as ~~Stolen~~ Adapted from the University of Chicago Scav Hunt)

==

## **Rule the First**

All items on the List can be obtained and performed legally and safely. It may involve smooth talking, or it may involve something else, but it is all possible. The Organizers take no responsibility for your getting into trouble with any laws (including but not limited to municipal, provincial, federal, international, physical or metaphysical). If you end up in jail, in space, inside out, it is your fault.

## **Rule the Second**

Fair Play. Sabotage is bad. We don't like it, and we don't want it in the Hunt. Sabotaging teams or their items can lead to immediate disqualification.

## **Rule the Third**

Contact with Judges. Only the Captain or the First Officer may communicate with the Judges, and only by email ([impossible@montrealimprov.com](mailto:impossible@montrealimprov.com)) or in person. Please only communicate with the Judges if you are going to do it in a professional manner. If you have any questions about an unclear item or wording or interpretation, please do contact the Judges.

## **Rule the Fourth**

Points. Point totals are final. We Judges give out points for the spirit of the item in its presentation. In some places, bonus points are also awarded for going above and beyond the Judges' concept of the Call of Duty. We can also deduct points if we feel you are trying to go against the values of the Hunt. Those values are: Fair Play. Munificence. Fun. Laughter of Children. Puppy Cuddles. Competition.

## **Rule the Fifth**

Items. Most items remain the property of the teams that secured them, except for the items that explicitly call for surrender. Furthermore, we prefer not to harm large mammals that can make sad eyes at us. Most of the items are virtual anyways so only Morpheus can truly own them.

## **Rule the Sixth**

Pictures. Please upload all pictures to your tumblr page. If for some reason that fails, grab a flickr account and use that and link to it from your tumblr (but this should never come to pass). Please use the highest resolution possible; do not compress them. Pixels are people, too. Important! For all submitted pictures, please have your 1" buttons visible in each shot as clearly as possible, even if there are no people in the shot. Ok. So maybe they are only a single pixel in the shot. But it should still be there! Please title or caption the shot with the Hunt List number (eg: Picture #5). Feel

free to add a note if it's not clear what is going on or to make whatever cheap excuses you may have. Pictures will no longer be accepted after 4pm on Sunday.

#### Rule the Seventh

Videos. Please upload all your videos to your YouTube account and then embed them in your tumblr. Try to edit your videos to be under 5 minutes, either with cuts or sped up). The closer to 1 or 2 minutes your video is, the happier and less blind the Judges become. Please title or caption the video with the Hunt List number (eg: Video #502). Feel free to add a note if it's not clear what is going on or to make whatever cheap excuses you may have. Videos will no longer be accepted after 4pm on Sunday. Don't forget to have your buttons visible where possible!

#### Rule the Eighth

Secrets. Sure, you may have some secrets you wish to keep from the other team. Bury them deep inside. Like your anger and resentment.

#### Rule the Ninth

Road Trips. Road Trips can be done without getting busted by the cops or breaking any rules. Please get it done that way. Use of 15-passenger vans or trucks is prohibited.

##### Driver requirements:

- a. Minimum age of 18 (If a rental car is used, the rental car company minimum age requirements apply).
- b. Must have held a valid driver's license for at least two years, which must be in driver's possession throughout trip.
- c. Must possess valid passports, should the mischiefs of foreign intrigue beckon.
- d. Must have more than 3,000 kms driving experience.
- e. May not have received moving violations or convictions or court-ordered supervision.
- f. Must be alcohol- and drug-free (it's the way to be), including illegal, prescription, and non- prescription drugs that could impair driving function or are used for any reason other than their FDA-approved intent.
- g. Must have valid automobile insurance.

##### Road Trip Management:

- a. No one may operate a vehicle for more than three consecutive hours or six total hours in one day.
- b. Total driving time may not exceed 16 hours within a 24-hour period.
- c. No driving permitted between midnight and 6 a.m.
- d. Another person must be awake in the seat next to the driver at all times.

The Captain of each team must certify in advance to the Judges that the team understands and agrees to abide by these regulations.

#### Rule the Tenth

The Tally. The Tally is supposed to be a fun party. Bring your friends. It's free to get in and there will be drinks. Sweet, right? We want the event to move along so please

have your Tally items ready to go. Here's a tip: Organize your items based on the order listed. In short, BE ORGANIZED.

Rule the Eleventh  
Rules. This rules.

Rule the Twelfth  
Prizes. Board games, tickets to the Museum, drinks, show passes and teeny tiny surprises.

Rule the Thirteenth  
Decisions. All decisions of the Judges are final. Final. Don't be sore. Be a good sport. Smile.

Rule the Fourteenth  
Final. See Decisions.

Rule the Fifteenth  
Corrections. We're only human (for now). Any errors or changes will be announced on the website, the facebook page and the twitter feed.

Rule the Sixteenth  
Rank. The Captain wears three buttons. The First Officer, Wizard and Pilot may wear two buttons. All other members wear one button. If you lose your button, go tell it to someone who cares. Like a Judge; he cares.

Rule the Seventeenth  
17. Seventeen is no longer a prime number and is now divisible by roggo, where  $17/\text{roggo} = 3$  and roggo is axiomatically defined to be an integer.

## GENERAL

==

1. BALLOON. HAPPINESS. Double double letters. Email us: [tripleddoubleletters@montrealimprov.com](mailto:tripleddoubleletters@montrealimprov.com) [3x2 pts]
2. Is this a popularity contest? Yes, it is. Create a facebook page for your team. The one with the most likes at Sunday 4pm wins. [10 Likes for first, 5 Shares for second]
3. It's not what you know. It's *who* you know. Get your team name tweeted to @impossiblemtl by the account with most followers by Sunday 4pm. You can keep trying to one-up yourself and set the bar ever higher. [10 RTs for first, 5 Mentions for second]
4. Post that Peter Mansbridge/Wendy Mesley erotic fiction you've been working on to the blog. Harlequin-level language, please. [10 pts, -1 pt for each word under 50 or over 200]
5. Use the buddy system, buddy.  
6D6F6E747265616C696D70726F762E636F6D2F35383030382F [25 immature pts]

## PICTURES

==

1. Julius Caesar drinking an orange julep. You know where. [10 large round pts]
2. Kids in sequential ages between 1-15 lined up. [1 pt per year shown, no points granted if there is a gap in ages, honour system in effect]
3. Get dressed up! Wedding party photo with your team! [10 Kardashian pts]
4. A photo at a Montreal intersection where both street names are identical (but they can have different Rd/St/Blvd/etc designations) [10 redundant pts]
5. Recreate the McGill College crowd statue next to the statue [10 flashmob pts]
6. Your team name done up like Wilensky's [20 retro pts]
7. A NES, SNES, N64, Gamecube and Wii in the same room [10 1-UPs]
8. A team member in front of the Cross on Mont Royal [5 pts]
9. A team member inside the Notre Dame Basilica [5 pts]
10. A team member at the top of the Olympic Stadium Tower [5 pts]
11. A team member on the Bell Centre ice [10 pts]
12. A team member in front of the Quebec City Funiculaire [25 pts]
13. A team member in front of the Eternal Flame in Ottawa [30 pts, with Bangles album *Everything* is an extra 5 pts]
14. A team member in front of the CN tower in T-Dot [60 pts]
15. A team member in front of TD Banknorth Garden [60 pts, wearing Habs jersey 70 pts]
16. A cat dressed as dog with a dog dressed as a cat [10 tranny pts]

17. How many books can you stand upon? [1pt / 10 books visible in picture, max 10 pts]
18. Pumpkin carved to say Impossible Montreal 2011 [10 belated pts]
19. Lookout! Team members at the Westmount lookout [1pt per team member]
20. A business that is normally open 24/7, appears to be closed, with permission [10 disruptive pts]
21. Green peppers? We can do better. [1 pt / distinctly different coloured pepper]
22. A green arrow with a red light? Do I stop or go? Take a picture and decide. [10 actual pts]
23. Monopoly: the Movie is such a beloved classic. I heard there was a teaser poster for the sequel Monopoly II: Do Not Pass Go [10 imaginary pts]
24. A portrait of one of your team members made solely out of Lego [10 White Stripes pts]
25. Get your protest signs out! Occupy MainLine Theatre! Fight the real power! 7:00pm to 7:15pm Saturday night. [10 pts, plus 5 pts for best protest sign so post a legible shot of each one]
26. ICE T serves Iced Tea with ICE CUBE dishing Ice Cubes at one of those soda fountain thingys. [10 memetic pts]
27. Three people wearing Alouettes jerseys in the Old Forum seats [10 confused pts]
28. Across the street from City Hall, what is he holding? [10 whatever you want pts]
29. Star Burns. Real ones. [10 Community pts]
30. A photo of a team member taken at 1am AND 2am AND 3am posted live to the site. Get a shot of time.gov in the background. (+/- 5 mins) [1+2+3+10 pts]
31. A Quebec license plate that says La Belle Province. [10 easy pts]
32. Your button is best buds with a 120 kΩ resistor. [10 macro pts]
33. 1684 was a long time ago. But they probably had a hockey team. Stand in front of their building with hockey sticks and helmets. [10 minutes for misconduct]
34. A page from a Spiderman comic. But Photoshop® his costume so it's all-white except for his eyes. [10 racist pts]
35. Yup, that's a team member with a theremin. [10 spooky-sounding pts]

## VIDEOS

==

1. Recreate at least three minutes of the Always Be Closing speech. [12 goddamn f'ing pts]
2. Let's do something nice. A team member giving blood. [10 pts + 3 pts per other member donating]
3. How many steamies can one person eat? [1 pt per steamie in a single sitting]

4. Give us a walking tour of a Métro station noting salient architectural features [15 pretentious pts]
5. Your team performing your team's traditional Haka [15 intimidating pts]
6. A slow-dance [5 awkward pts], all of you slow-dancing [7 pts], all of you with Batman masks [10 pts], Batman and Robin dancing in full costume [15 pts], > 3 Batmans and Robins slow-dancing [25 pts]
7. A lady on your team doing a full windsor knot in one attempt [10 pts]
8. I've always wanted to see the trailer for that timeless black-and-white feel-good film, Monopoly: The Movie [20 pts]
9. I heard there's an illegal, underground video of a Live Action Nyan Cat. [20 pixellated pts]
10. Montreal is the fashion center of the world! Prove it by staging a fashion show on the steps of Place des Arts. [20 pts, 10 more pts if there's a celebrity impression voiceover]
11. The world needs a Rick Mercer rant about Rick Mercer [10 graffiti'd pts]
12. Rolling. Rolling. Rolling down the hill by St Joseph's Oratory [10 sacrilicious pts]
13. Remember when you built the awesome suit of armour out of empty water bottles? I totally remember you taking the metro while wearing it. [10 pts for upper body, 10 pts for lower body, 5 pts for sword, 5 pts for helm]
14. Lady Gaga lip dub? Boring. Lady Gaga sock puppet lip dub? Amazing-ish. [20 pts]
15. What are you going to do with those coloured peppers you photographed? Eat all of them, of course. [10 unwasted pts]

## TALLY

==

1. Tally the head count. [5 dedicated pts if all members of your team are present at 7:05pm]
2. Noah's Ark is taking passengers. Every male/female pair you can form on your team is important [3 pts per pair]
3. You have friends, right? [5 pts if your team brings 2 friends OR 10 pts if you have as many friends with you as registered team members]
4. Your Wizard wearing a wizard hat [5 cheesy pts]
5. Your Captain wearing a top hat [5 extra cheesy pts]
6. Your Pilot wearing aviator glasses [5 super cheesy pts]
7. Boarding pass with the latest departure time that has destination YUL [15 pts]
8. Paper Metro transfer [10 pts for one, 10 more pts for having ten different stations]
9. Oh, just a Habs jersey [5 pts, signed Habs jersey 10 pts, signed by current Habs player 15 pts, phone call during Tally by current Habs player 25 pts, current Habs player 60 pts]

10. A “Too Bad You Lost” cake to be served to another team. No peanuts. Other allergies be damned! [7.5 pts, winning team doesn’t get any, plates and forks will be provided]
11. This is a tightly knit community. Can you knit the Impossible Montreal logo in time for the Tally? [10 dropped stitches]
12. ALL THE BIXI KEYS! [0.5 pts per Bixi key; you might want to label them so you can return them]
13. A betting slip from the Hippodrome [10 beyond hippodrome pts]
14. An a *capella* song about scavenger hunts. [10 musical pts]
15. A haiku about impossible things [5+7+5 pts]

There may be more points available as the weekend goes along and at the Tally.  
Always Be Ready!