

THE MUSEUM

CREDITS

A Fiasco playset based on the music of the Doubleclicks!

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BOILERPLATE

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“When you play, play *hard*.” - Theodore Roosevelt

THE SCORE

I'M SURE IT'S FINE

“Should that statue be moving? Should that skeleton be moving? Should the walls be moving?”

It's a busy day at the Portland Science, History, Space and Time Institute and Museum. Research projects are coming to a head, important artifacts are going missing, investors are visiting for an important inspection and—of course—it's time for another one of those darn Campfire Scout lock-ins.

Employees, visitors, and uninvited guests are all part of the mix tonight and, like you learn at those chemistry exhibits, just one wrong ingredient could make the whole thing blow up in your face, embedding shards of glass just *everywhere*. Metaphorically. (Metaphorically? Yeah, let's go with that.)

TIPS

Like all playsets, this one can be used to play many kinds of stories. If it is helpful to start with something specific for your game, consider rolling or choosing from this list:

- ◻• A heist at the science museum
- ◻•• A class sleepover/lock-in at the science museum
- ◻••• A concert/fundraiser at the science museum
- ◻•••• A super-villain takes over the science museum
- ◻••••• A wedding at the science museum
- ◻•••••• A mystery behind the sciences of the science museum

... and of course *something* goes wrong!

MOVIE NIGHT

Night at the Museum, The DaVinci Code, National Treasure, The Mummy

RELATIONSHIPS...

1 WORK

- ◻ Security guard & troublemaker
- ◻ Peers vying for the same promotion
- ◻ Journalist & tour guide
- ◻ Maintenance worker & exasperated curator
- ◻ The musical duo hired for a museum event
- ◻ Adventuring archaeologist & underpaid sidekick

2 TROUBLE

- ◻ Would-be burglar and reluctant accomplice
- ◻ Mansplainer & undercover space alien
- ◻ The Guy Who Yelled Freebird & his partner
- ◻ Time traveler & the museum worker who suspects everything
- ◻ Internet trolls
- ◻ I have lasers, you have feelings

3 FRIENDS

- ◻ Online BFFs meeting for the first time IRL
- ◻ Modern Poetry classmates
- ◻ Frenemies
- ◻ Newlyweds
- ◻ He's a Frakking Awesome Guy (birthday boy & BFF)
- ◻ Friends who finish ... each other's sentences

4 CURIOSITY JR HIGH FIELD TRIP

- Teacher & star pupil
- ◻◦ Chaperone & wannabe-favorite student
- ◻◦ Friends with a secret code
- ◻◻ Bully & nerd
- ◻◻◻ *Magic: The Gathering* tournament foes
- ◻◻◻ Miserable instructor & the one who makes them miserable

5 AWKWARD

- How did we end up here if we didn't even want to leave the house?
- ◻◦ Is this a date or are we just hanging out?
- ◻◦ Spock impersonator & unrequited crush
- ◻◻ Is one of us actually a clone? If so, which one of us?
- ◻◻ Wait, so your job is actually "mad scientist?"
- ◻◻◻ What's the *real* definition of "villain," anyway?

6 FAMILY

- Siblings in their own band
- ◻◦ Parent & child
- ◻◦ Newly reunited
- ◻◻ Uncle geek & excited niece
- ◻◻◻ Jealous siblings... ("Despite her many faults, they all adore her.")
- ◻◻◻ Unstoppable force & immovable object

...IN THE MUSEUM

NEEDS...

1 TO MAKE THEM PAY

- For winning at every single board game
- For what they said about dinosaurs
- For what they said in the YouTube comments
- For telling everyone how easy it is to do this job
- For making us trust that accent
- For music, even if you *can* get it for free

2 TO GET THE TRUTH

- About this creepy teddy bear
- Because I'm pretty sure the President is made of snakes
- About why my mouth and eyes glow
- About the Rainbow Connection
- About who's in that banana costume
- By using this cool lasso you found

3 TO GET RESPECT

- For our "nerd cred"
- For this song that is my *jam!*
- By getting my art into this museum
- From the "cool kids" (or "cool" kids)
- From myself, because everyone trusts me more than I do
- Or money, which is almost as good as respect

4 TO RECOVER

- ◻ From this damned ennui
- ◻◦ From the breakup, somehow other than playing *World of Warcraft*
- ◻◦ From the bad memories by diluting them with good ones
- ◻◻ By hunting the weak
- ◻◻ From playing too many games and eating too much snack mix
- ◻◻◻ From the anti-climactic ending of *Battlestar Galactica*

5 TO SURVIVE

- ◻ And find “my people”
- ◻ This rock-star life, against all odds
- ◻◦ Long enough to get that diploma or paycheck
- ◻◻ Despite all this sexist bullshit
- ◻◻ Until I am the fastest
- ◻◻◻ The night, with the help of Mr. Bear

6 TO ESCAPE

- ◻ Back to my cat
- ◻◦ And go to Hawaii, Peru, Florida—anywhere I can be with you
- ◻◦ On the Desert Bus
- ◻◻ And give up, sit down, layer, wear wooly socks, and watch TV
- ◻◻ Because I don’t need them, I have nothing to prove
- ◻◻◻ Because the world is ending, can’t you see?

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LOCATIONS...

1 THE EXHIBIT FLOOR

- The late triassic to early jurassic dinosaur skeleton room
- ◻ The Vera Rubin Planetarium and Laser Light Extravaganza
- ◻ The “Introduction To Nuclear Chemistry” lab
- ◻ The Mars Rover exhibit (not shown: the Mars Rover)
- ◻ The 5.4 Richter Earthquake Simulation Room
- ◻ In front of the octopus tank

2 BEHIND THE SCENES

- The darkest corner of the employee-only dining hall
- ◻ Security room with all the monitors
- ◻ Rooftop garden and solar-powered greenhouse
- ◻ The science ampitheater’s long-neglected green room
- ◻ The weird stain in front of the game shelf in the break room
- ◻ The offices of the elusive “administrators”

3 ON THE GROUNDS

- The labyrinthine school bus parking lot
- ◻ The 12th-century Romanesque sculpture garden
- ◻ Experimental molecular gastronomy café
- ◻ Stage right at the Dorothy Vaughn Science Ampitheater
- ◻ Retired nuclear submarine and tourist destination, USS *Joshi*
- ◻ A photo shoot for the local Birds of Prey Cosplay Brigade

4 RESEARCH AND RESTORATION WING

- ◻ The lab for de-ambering the latest dinosaur discovery
- ◻ Research library (with no wifi because “books are better”)
- ◻ Dimly lit chamber filled with retired taxidermy
- ◻ Dusty lab, Macs running only the *Hitchhiker’s Guide* text-adventure
- ◻ Down the dark hallway, to the left, in front of the unmarked door
- ◻ 100% absolutely legit nuclear turtle experimentation chamber (shhh)

5 ELSEWHERE, VIA FLASHBACK!

- ◻ A secret archaeological dig in Big Sky, Montana
- ◻ Inside a secured storage container in the middle of the Pacific
- ◻ The karaoke stage at last year’s disastrous holiday party
- ◻ Cargo bay of the space shuttle *Atlantis*
- ◻ The 27th Annual “You Should Write a Song About That” Concert
- ◻ When dimetrodons roamed the earth, 150 million years before dinosaurs

6 AFTER HOURS

- ◻ The museum coffee stand (where they think your name is Tuesday)
- ◻ The “Magic Room” Derek made before disappearing last year
- ◻ A *Warhammer* tournament in the lobby
- ◻ The shadowy rooftop, overlooking the whole city
- ◻ The gift shop, which collects everything the museum throws out
- ◻ The secret basement dance club, even though you don’t want to go

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OBJECTS...

1 DORKY

- Wonder Woman lunch box
- ◻ Fake thick-rimmed glasses
- ◻ A bag of dice
- ◻ A comic book: *Worst Superpower Ever*
- ◻ DVD boxed set of the 1995 BBC *Pride and Prejudice* series
- ◻ S.H.I.E.L.D. badge replica

2 SCIENTIFIC

- Velociraptor bone
- ◻ Proof of the missing link
- ◻ Seeds—but what are they for?
- ◻ Dimetrodon
- ◻ A “decommissioned” laser pistol
- ◻ The kilogram standard

3 SPENDY

- The biggest book in the gift shop
- ◻ The world’s oldest surviving cello
- ◻ A dinosaur feather in amber
- ◻ Someone’s Netflix password
- ◻ A working (“working”) time machine
- ◻ The greatest gift of all: all 3 *Hobbit* movies on Blu-ray

4 SUSPICIOUS

- ◻ Where did this remote come from?
- ◻◦ Is this made of snakes?
- ◻◦◦ An empty sarcophagus?
- ◻◦◦◦ An unofficial label maker? Here?
- ◻◦◦◦◦ How did all the coffee creamer go bad?
- ◻◦◦◦◦◦ Is that accent even real?

5 RAD

- ◻ The only good burrito in the cafeteria
- ◻◦ A banana costume
- ◻◦◦ A cat-shaped keyboard
- ◻◦◦◦ A pair of musical Tesla coils
- ◻◦◦◦◦ The last pumpkin spice latte of the season
- ◻◦◦◦◦◦ One SmartCar

6 SENTIMENTAL

- ◻ The security guard's cat
- ◻◦ A tiny origami elephant
- ◻◦◦ The ukulele we keep in the break room
- ◻◦◦◦ A haunting stuffed bear
- ◻◦◦◦◦ An autographed copy of the card game, *Gloom*, by Keith Baker
- ◻◦◦◦◦◦ An iPhone charger (ah, memories)

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A MUSEUM INSTA-SETUP

RELATIONSHIPS

For three players...

- * Trouble: I have Lasers, you have Feelings
- * Family: Siblings in their own band
- * Friends: Online BFFs meeting for the first time IRL

For four players, add...

- * Trouble: Would-be burglar and reluctant accomplice

For five players, add...

- * Awkward: Wait, so your job is actually “mad scientist?”

NEEDS

For three players...

- * To get the truth about this creepy teddy bear

For four or five players, add...

- * To make them pay for what they said in the YouTube comments

LOCATIONS

For three or four players...

- * On the grounds, stage right at the Dorothy Vaughn Science Amphitheater

For five players, add...

- * Behind the scenes: The offices of the elusive “administrators”

OBJECTS

For three, four or five players...

- * Suspicious: An empty sarcophagus?