

# Resurrection

*After barely escaping her pursuers from the cave, she raced to the police station. Breathless, she shared her adventures with the desk sergeant. By the time she wound down, she had an audience of a dozen other officers—whether because they believed her or because this was the most entertaining tale they had heard in months, she wasn't sure. But once she handed over The Cult's book of rituals, member lists, and master password, the desk sergeant assigned two reluctant officers to accompany her back to the cave.*

When they got to the entrance, she confidently entered the seven-letter password she had previously discovered only to find that it didn't work. Instead, a hidden panel slid open to reveal a computer screen with the following message:

*Our safe haven has been compromised. We've changed the password to prevent the rest of our secrets from falling into the wrong hands. If you are a true initiate of our blessed order, you will recognize one of our foundational stories below. By this, you shall know the new password. Be speedy, be secret.*

*She saw the two officers exchange a look of surprise. One left to radio for backup, while the other looked expectantly at her. She nodded, and set to work.*

Two hints for deciphering the potential passwords:

1. Each password has exactly one duplicate letter; all other letters in that password are unique from each other.
2. Each password was constructed by layering the letters on top of each other in a 5x5 grid, adding 1 for each letter that fills a cell. So for example, if the password were 'FREE', the grid would read:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Use the attached sheet and work backwards to figure out which letters make up each potential password.

After deciphering the potential passwords, use the attached list of 3-letter words to fill in the blanks in the story. (Note that some words will be used multiple times, and not every word will be used!) Then replace each word with its associated letter to reveal a clue that will help you determine which of the potential passwords is the real one.

In past days, we were poor \_\_\_\_ powerless; we \_\_\_\_ to stay in \_\_\_\_ shadows out of need, not desire. Craving recognition, one Brother \_\_\_\_ one Sister \_\_\_\_ the foolish idea to invite the rich and powerful to our Gathering. In practice, this entailed approaching only a \_\_\_\_ people; \_\_\_\_ those people told others, \_\_\_\_ in turn told others, and so on. The effect was \_\_\_\_ that the Brother and Sister should have predicted. In relatively short order, \_\_\_\_ Brother \_\_\_\_ Sister had inadvertently invited thousands to the Gathering. Soon, the potential attendees outnumbered our leaders \_\_\_\_ initiates. In fairness, \_\_\_\_ actions they took succeeded in garnering attention. \_\_\_\_ those actions endangered our deepest secrets. We have no forgiveness \_\_\_\_ recklessness.

The evening of the Gathering, our Senior Council \_\_\_\_ masses in prayer: “\_\_\_\_ our ancestors watch over us.” Hypnotic music filled the ears of the invited \_\_\_\_ and women, as it \_\_\_\_ in days past. Carefully avoiding talk of our deepest secrets, the Senior Council wove a tale \_\_\_\_ just of the past, but of \_\_\_\_ future. They talked about \_\_\_\_ our order came to be \_\_\_\_ what we could achieve if everyone at \_\_\_\_ Gathering worked in harmony. In secret, while the Senior Council filled people’s minds with visions of \_\_\_\_ we would rise to greatness, Enforcers whisked away the offending Brother and Sister, past the \_\_\_\_ and women. Descending to \_\_\_\_ dungeons, the two would have plenty of time to contemplate their mistake.

## Potential passwords:

6	8	9	8	7
8	2	2	1	4
8	6	9	7	4
7	0	2	1	7
8	6	7	6	5

**11 letters**

8	6	6	6	7
7	2	2	0	5
6	4	9	3	3
6	1	2	4	4
8	3	4	3	6

9 letters

7	6	6	6	7
7	1	2	0	5
7	4	8	3	4
6	1	2	3	5
6	3	5	3	5

9 letters

***\*\*You will need documents Resurrection 1 and 2 to solve this puzzle.\*\****

## 5x5 Letter Grids

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LETTER	CORRESPONDING WORD	LETTER	CORRESPONDING WORD
<b>A</b>	may	<b>N</b>	how
<b>B</b>	now	<b>O</b>	for
<b>C</b>	men	<b>P</b>	all
<b>D</b>	who	<b>Q</b>	its
<b>E</b>	the	<b>R</b>	but
<b>F</b>	led	<b>S</b>	not
<b>G</b>	ran	<b>T</b>	and
<b>H</b>	had	<b>U</b>	say
<b>I</b>	few	<b>V</b>	try
<b>J</b>	two	<b>W</b>	can
<b>K</b>	way	<b>X</b>	out
<b>L</b>	one	<b>Y</b>	you
<b>M</b>	new	<b>Z</b>	get