

Tobermory Challenge

Gather your map (free town maps are available from the Tobermory Tourist Office), your paper and pen, and make your way to the Post Office. Look left and high, your first clue is towards the sky.

1. Roosting off the wall and overhead is a bird that gets you out of bed. *What bird is it?*
2. Go around the side and hanging up, is a black wee boat that cannot float. *What is the name of the restaurant?*
3. Back on the street and look for the time, for Henrietta it does chime. *When did she die?*
4. Over the road to the other side, is a shop whose animals spout and dive. *What is the name of the shop?*
5. Next door but one, are four golden lights. *What is sold in the shop that delights?*
6. If in your pocket you've loads of cash, to the bank you must dash. *What is the Gaelic name of the bank?*
7. Next to the bank you must pass, the history of Mull is behind the glass. *When was the map printed?*
8. If you are young and fit and need somewhere to stay, have a go at the S.Y.H.A. *What do the letters stand for?*
9. On the other side of the street and further along, is a round red thing that was a sort of bomb. *What does it collect money for?*
10. Cross the road on the other side, there is a colorful pub and it is black and wide. *When was it established?*
11. At the end of the street hang two faces high, one is happy – the other tries to cry. *What colour is the building painted, where the signs are hanging?*
12. Across the road to phone and post, is a very old box that Tobermory boasts. It was made at the time of King Edward VIII. *What does VIII stand for?*
13. Continue on towards the sea, by the lifeboat station you will be. *To whom is the building dedicated?*
14. Past the lifeboat station docks a boat. *To where over the sea does this boat float?*
15. Now back to the gate and up to the right is the Lighthouse path so get it right. Pass the Western Isles steps, past Stronsaule House, the path leads upwards and then levels out. You'll come to a seat, with great views, a little bit of time to lose. In front of it stands a wooden cradle, to point at ships or to disable. *What sat on it?*
16. Go up the steps behind the seat, its very steep – so watch your feet. At the top behind a wall, there lies a stone standing tall. *Which war does this commemorate?*
17. Down the road to Tobermory, is another post box that tells a story. *What is the box number written on it? (It starts with PA)*
18. Follow the road – down, then up, to the old towns' school that is now 'done up'. *What is it now called?*
19. Keep going up to Breadalbane Street – by now you'll have tired feet! Breadalbane is the English name; in Gaelic it almost sounds the same. *Find the name and write it in Gaelic.*
20. Now turn right, up Albert Street, past the cemetery – your next clue to meet. Tobermory means "Mary's Well", it's on the left - take time and dwell. *Find the date on the well?*
21. Turn back down the road you came, and then turn right to the 'house of flame'. On the wall there is a sign, saying this fire brigade is mine. *To whom does the fire station belong?*
22. Cross the road and go down West Street, turn right and the prison you'll meet. *What is the name now?*
23. Keep going down the old steep track, don't give up – you're nearly back! Follow the sea along the wall, till you get to Aros Hall. By the hall you'll find a seat, a very good place to rest your feet. *Who donated the seat? (three letters)*