

Runsaround (Normal Mode)

Oh no! There are two robots rampaging around downtown! Looks like the Fuzzkins will have to split up to deal with the threat!

In an echo of the episode, the Fuzzkins released killer robots into downtown Boston on Christmas Eve, and we were forced to split our forces to deal. After it was all over, we made the mistake of not sharing our mission reports with the others, and we suffered some tactical losses in later engagements. Don't make the same mistake.

Part A

Head towards the Staples. If A = 1, B = 2, and so on, write down the letter corresponding to the time the store opens on Wednesday mornings. Very close by is a restaurant whose name is 50% vowels – and, in fact, all of the vowels are the same. Using the same letter-to-number code as before, pass the numerical value of that vowel to the other team.

Keep on walking down the street in the same direction until you reach a park and its main entrance. To the left and right are inscriptions. Write down the letter that appears the most in the first column. Then enter the park through this entrance and head straight on. Turn right the first chance you get, and head straight from there.

On your left as you walk down the street will be a fitness place. Write down the last letter of its name. Continue on and exit through the gates. You will be in a square now. Count the number of letters in its name, excluding the word "square". (Use the sign, not the plaque.) Pass that count to the other team. You should receive a number from them at this point. Using the typical phone-spelling algorithm, look around for an advertising sign that contains a word you can spell with the number you were just given, and head in that direction.

Shortly you should come across a street sign with an associated penalty; disobey it, since you're on foot. Once you're free and clear, look very close by for a bus stop. Find the numbers of all buses that stop there, and concatenate them from smallest to largest into one long number, and pass that final number to the other team.

Turn left and head straight until you are standing next to a clock. Write down the first letter of the name of the street you just crossed to get there. Turn right from the clock and cross the street, and pass between buildings. You'll be given a number from the other team. Subtract four from that number to get a new number, and find a sign with that new number prominently displayed. Face that sign, then turn left. Write down the first letter of the second word you see. Then turn left again and exit onto the street.

Once out, turn right. Continue straight past a triangle to the first intersection. Turn left and look for a plaque with a four-word inscription. Write down the first letter of the last word.

Turn around, and head back to where you started.



Part B

Head away from the Staples on JFK Street, and turn left at the first intersection. When you come to a fork, take the right path and stop at the next intersection. You will soon receive a number from the other team. Look for a store on this corner whose street number is the same as the number you were just given, whose name is three words long, and which is not at ground level. Write down the first letter of the first word of its name.

Count the number of trees in the nearby triangle. Divide that number by two, rounding down if necessary. Turn right from where you are, and go to that street number on Brattle Street. Write down the first letter of the name of the establishment at that address.

On the way there, you passed a side street. Backtrack and head down that way. On this side street, find the first windowed building on the right and find its street number. Look at its last two digits and subtract that new number from the number you will receive from the other team. Convert the difference into a letter (using A = 1, B = 2, etc) and write down that letter.

Continue down the street. At its end, turn left. Walk a little bit, and to the left should be an eatery. A little bit past its main entrance is a door for services. Look at the street number of that door. Append the reverse of that number onto the end of it to form a palindrome. Then tack on the number of trees that you counted earlier for good measure. Finally, pass that number to the other team.

Turn around and follow the street to the end. Turn right. At this point you will receive a number from the other team. Sort the digits of the number in increasing order, and then subtract 3 from the new number. Go to that street number on Massachusetts Ave. Write down the second letter of the last word of the building here.

Continue on in the same direction, and turn right at the first traffic light. Soon you will see an establishment on the left whose purpose is the same as the one you just took a letter from. Write down the fifth letter of its last word. Keep going straight and continue to the end of this street, crossing several intersections. Just before it ends, look at the building on the left and pass its street number to the other team. Turn right, and follow the street to the end.

Turn right again, and then turn left at the first opportunity. When the street ends, look across the street and write down the last letter of the first word of the food place on the corner. Turn right and continue straight on to where you started.