Jean Lafitte's

Secret Clue Book

Secrets of Gumbo Island

Jambalaya's not just a Cajun dish, that would be wrong,

It's also the name of a famous bayou song.

Country Western singing legend Hank Williams Sr. created a song:

J_m b_l_y_.

(Fill in the missing vowel)

Count the underlined letters and then add **20** with great care -

Take that number of GIANT steps-in-place mon cher!

Then off to Cooking Pot Island to find what's there...

(_) + 20 = _ 4

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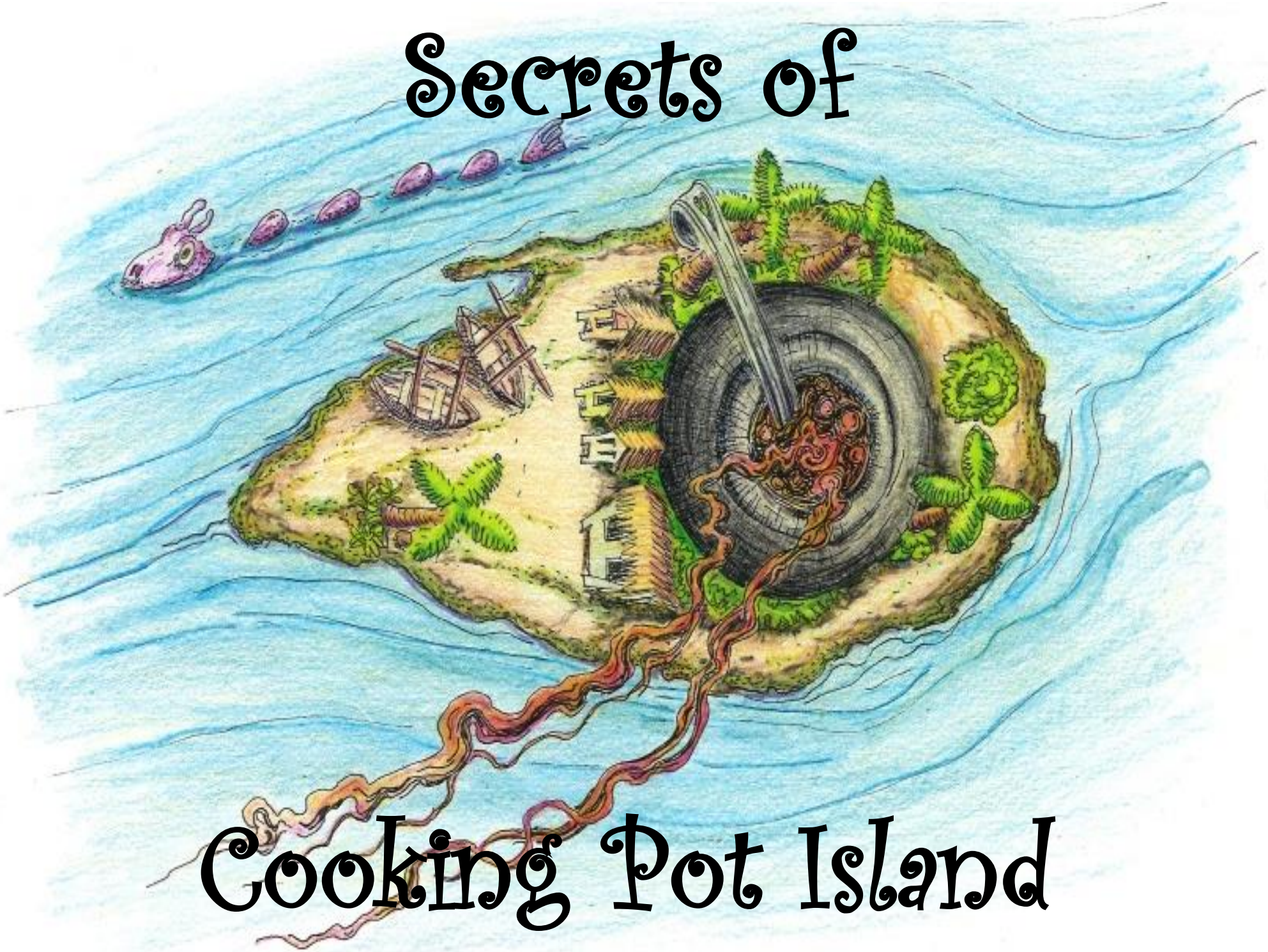

Cooking Pot Island

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You must travel far and wide to reach our secret place;

Now it's begun the mighty ocean race!

Our pot is the color of the darkest night when flies the darkest bug;

Now assemble the recipe on this page to make your yummy "grub!"

Make our special Gumbo with treasures from the sea;

During Lent when we can't eat meat, seafood is the key!

Seafood Gumbo Recipe

Shrimp	**1 lbs.**
Crabmeat	**1 lbs.**
Oysters	**1 lbs.**
Fish Stock	**8 Cups**
Oil	**1 Cup**
Flour	**2 Tablespoons**
Onions	**2 Cups**
Celery	**2 Cups**
Bell peppers	**1 Cup**
Garlic	**1/2 Cup**
Rice	**5 Cups**

Double (multiply by 2) the number of cups of Fish Stock in your recipe

(_) * 2 = _6

A'vast me Harties, the next stop is Treasure Chest Island!

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Treasure Chest Island

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Hurry now you're halfway done; abandon the pot but do not run!

Towards Treasure Chest Island now we steer to find the chest carved by my knife.

Look inside if ye dare, for the thrill of yer life.

Our coast is our treasure, help save it before it's gone, Find the Cajun Folktale with the animals that belong.

See if you can figure it out – who is Monsieur Carencro and Mangeur de Poulet

Read it, figure it out and then you'll have it!

V_lt_r_and Ch_ck_n H_w k

(Fill in the missing vowels)

When it's solved go ahead, to the Hanging Gallery Island but do not swerve -

Add the number of underlined letters then divide in half if ye have the nerve –

(_) / 2 = _

knee bends then onto the Hanging Gallery Island!

Adapted from, “Cajun Folktales” by J.J. Reneaux

Monsieur Carencro and Mangeur de Poulet
Mr. Vulture and Chicken Hawk

Monsieur Carencro *(Cajun French for Vulture)* and Mangeur de Poulet *(Cajun French for Chicken Hawk)* were sitting in an oak tree together and talking. Mangeur asked, “Hey, ca va, mon padnat? How are you?” Carencro replied, “Ca va mal! Not good at all! I am so hungry. I’ve been waiting for days to have my supper, and nothing has dropped dead.”

“What you talking about?” says know-it-all Chicken Hawk. “If you’re so hungry, why don’t you get out there and hunt?”

“Non, non, non,” says Vulture, “you don’t understand, I’m supposed to wait for my dinner. It’s the way I’m made.”

“Aw, mon! Don’t waste your time, you gotta do like me, look out for yourself. Here, let old Chicken Hawk show you what to do.”

With that Mangeur de Poulet leaped into the air and started wildly flapping about in daring loop-the-loops and crazy figure eights, showing off like you’ve never seen. Suddenly he saw a juicy little rabbit right down next to bottom of the tree where Vulture sat.

“Aw, this’ll show Vulture,” he thought. Chicken Hawk took dead aim and down he zoomed after the rabbit faster, and faster. But lapin (rabbit) was smart-smart, she saw Chicken Hawk’s shadow and jumped down her hole at the base of the oak tree. Chicken Hawk was going so fast he couldn’t stop and he slammed smack dab into that tree! And down he dropped – thunk! – dead right at Vulture’s feet.

Vulture looked down at the dead bird and then up to heaven. He grins real big and says, “Merci beaucoup, mon Grand Bon Dieu! Good God Almighty, thank you!” He jumps down, smacks his lips and says, “Suppertime!”

Vulture, Chicken Hawk, and Rabbit can live in the swamp.

Secrets of
Hanging Gallery Island

Secrets of Hanging Gallery Island

As ye enter, think of the state tree of Louisiana; it's not an oak nor a banana.

These are trees that take root in the land which is mighty good,

This special tree is known as eternal wood.

Cyp_e_ _ _ Tr_ _ s.

A collection of treasures is to be found in this place.

So, continue onward to solve this mysterious case!

Count the underlined letters and multiply by 5 to discover our history...

Wave your hands that number of times briskly!

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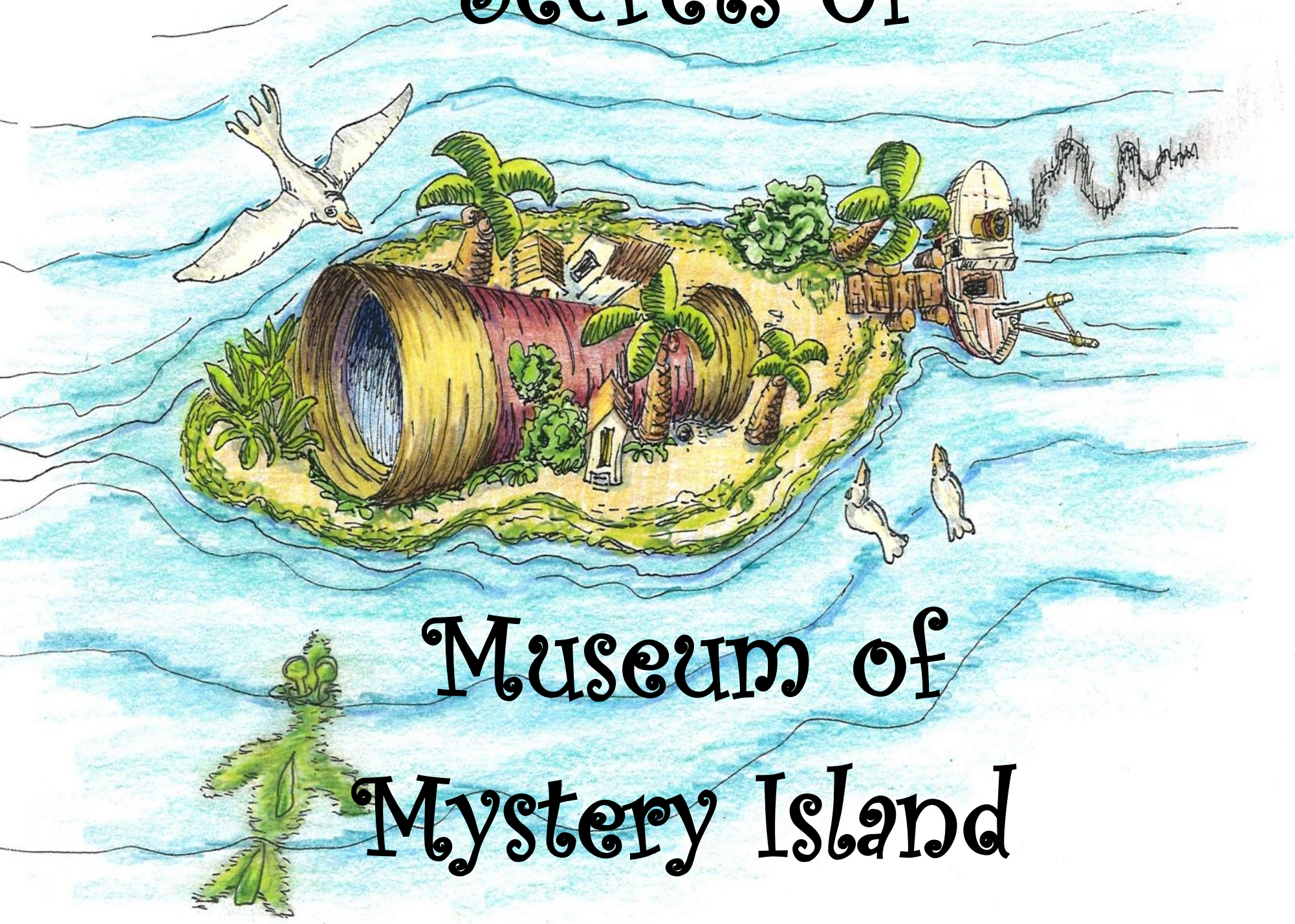


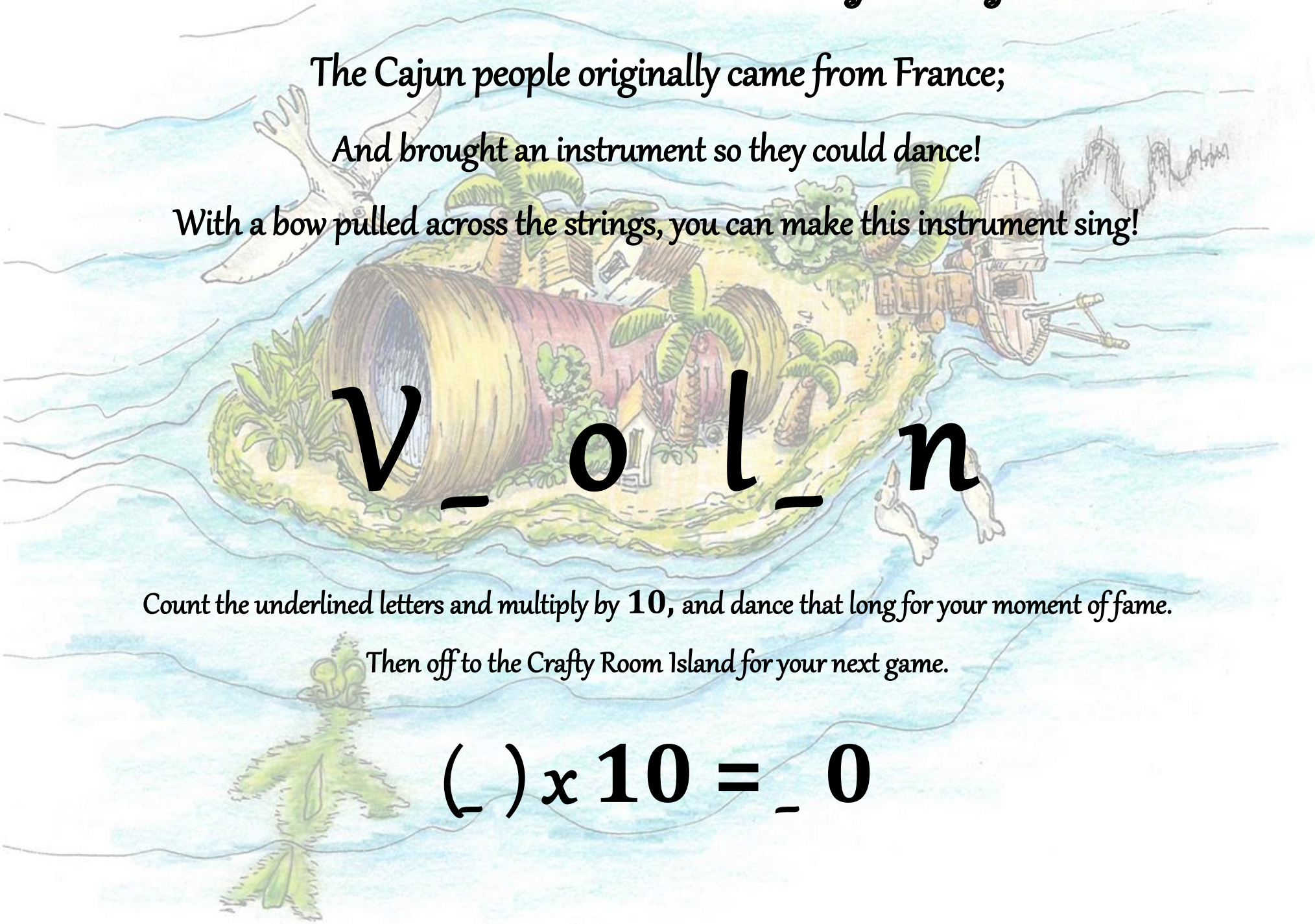
Museum of Mystery Island

Secrets of Museum of Mystery Island

The Cajun people originally came from France;

And brought an instrument so they could dance!

With a bow pulled across the strings, you can make this instrument sing!



V_ o l_ n

Count the underlined letters and multiply by **10**, and dance that long for your moment of fame.

Then off to the Crafty Room Island for your next game.

(_) x 10 = _ 0

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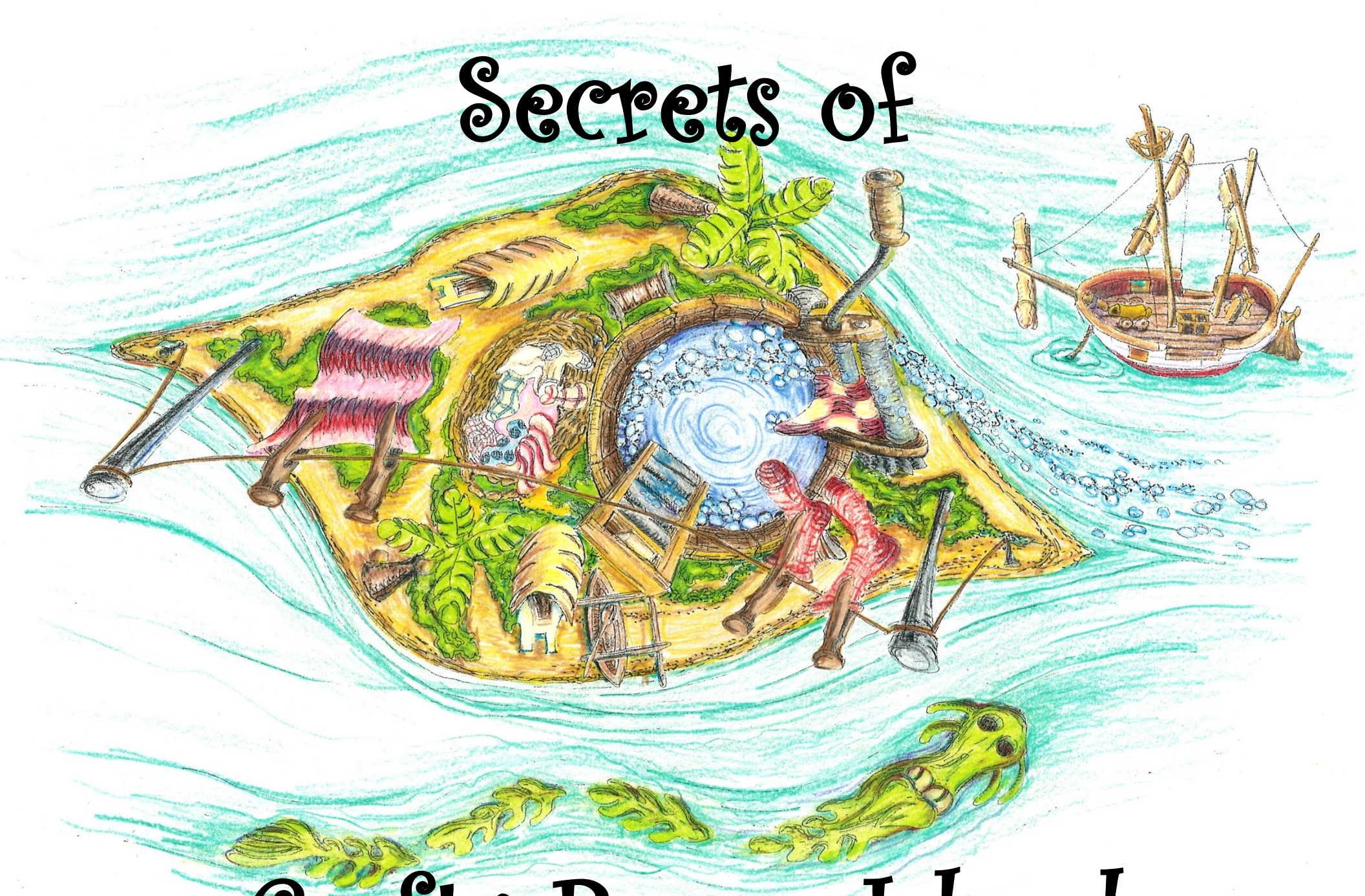

Crafty Room Island

Secrets of Crafty Room Island

We washboard the clothes it's always a blast!

But washboards and dirty clothes were only half the chore

You need more ingredients you can't ignore.

It bubbles and keeps everything sparkling clean

S_ap

Keeps clothes and your hands safe and that's awesome keen!

Washboards were used also for musical fun,

So finish washing your hands you're almost done!

Sail on, sail on to our final destination –

Theater Island to complete your investigation!

Secrets of Theater Island

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Here's the clue to get the swag, the treasure will be yours.

Decipher just one more, this answer will open the doors.

C from Chicken Hawk, **A** from Soap, **J** from Jambalaya,

U from Vulture, **N** from Violin, and **S** from Cypress Trees!

Ye are truly sailors now, learning about one of our famous cultures!

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Here's a Special Jean Lafitte Pirate Krewe pledge!

If you choose the pirate way, to the oath ye must be true

Take good care of our Island Earth and protect her in all ye do!

Learn all you can about the others, show how much you care,

People, animals, plants even water, soil, and air have a story to share.

Mark yer X and join our band. Be a mighty good pirate even on land!

Learn more at your National Park today –

For that's the pirate's way!