

Starting clue 3



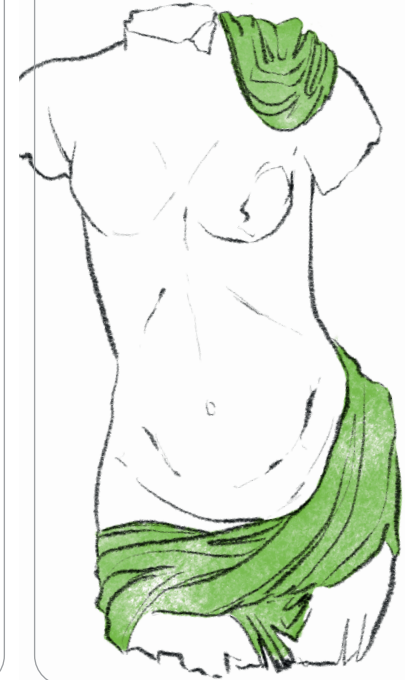
Starting clue 2



Starting clue 1



The torso



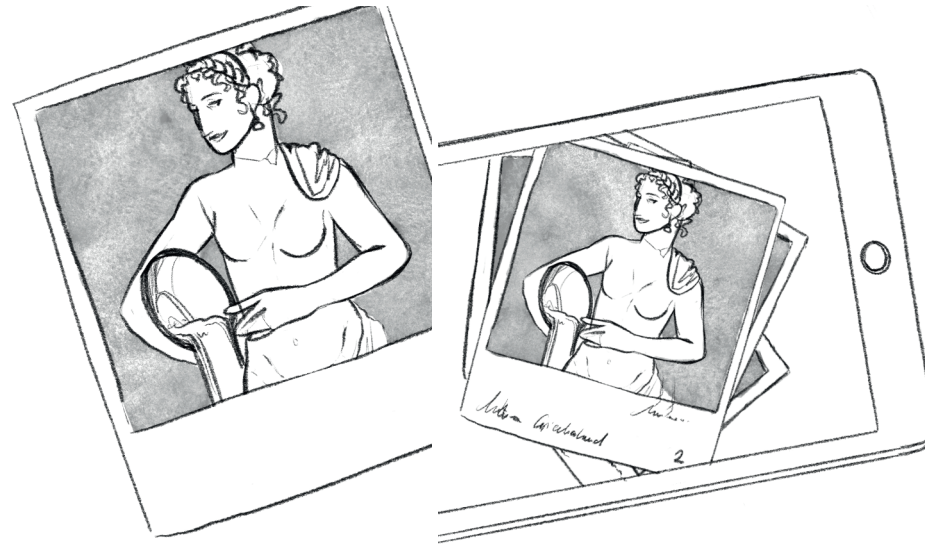
Case 3

The Torso

Investigative journalist Francesca Spadaro receives an email with a Polaroid photo of a fully preserved statue.

It is accompanied by a note stating that it could be the original condition of a torso currently being exhibited in Frankfurt.

She publishes an article in an Italian magazine that causes public interest. This attracts the attention of the supervisory authorities.

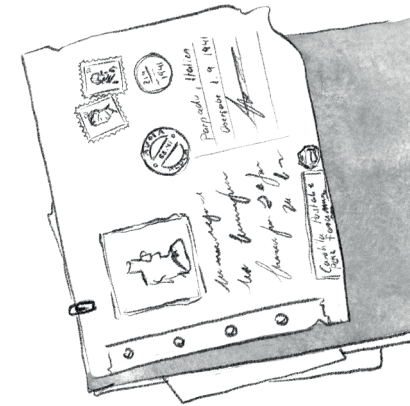


Starting clue 1

A Polaroid photo showing a fully preserved and supposedly ancient statue.

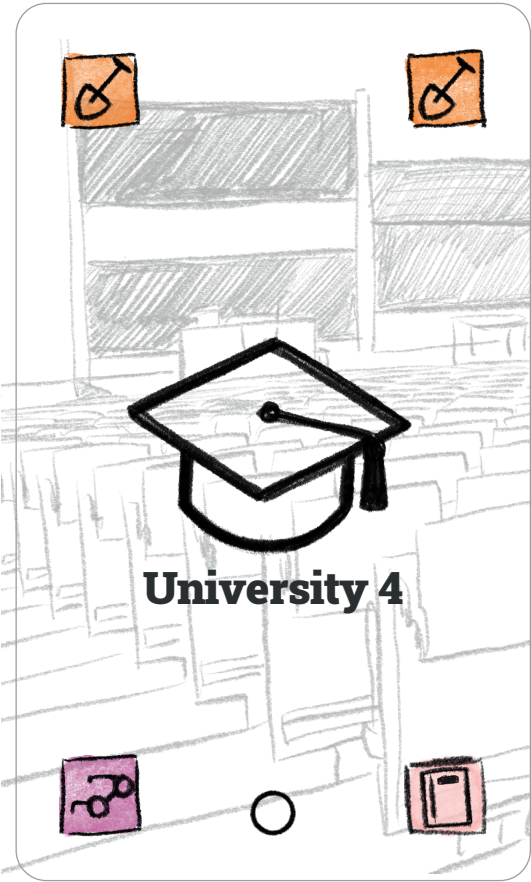
Starting clue 2

A digital Polaroid photo of a completely preserved statue that resembles the torso.



Starting clue 3

The collection of the Pardadu family is given as the official provenance of the torso in the catalogue of Frankfurt Museum. The family imported the object from Italy in 1941.



University 4

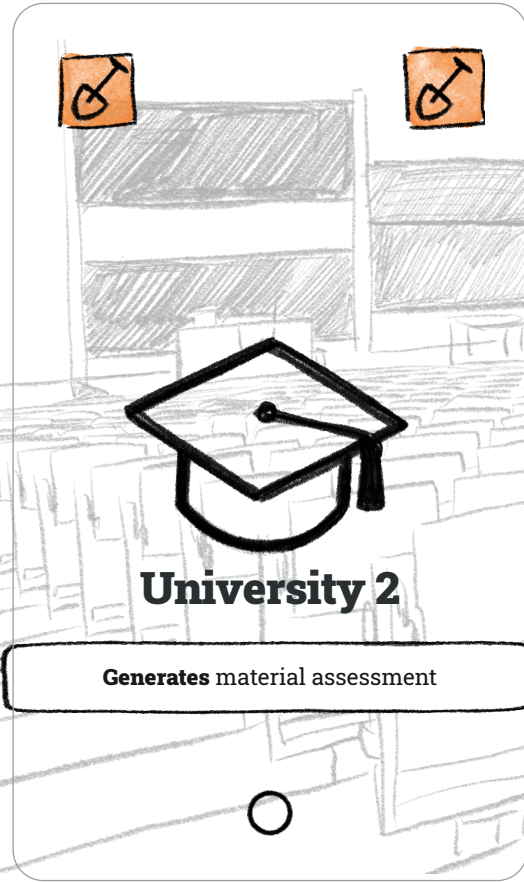
University 4 interface showing a lecture hall background, a graduation cap icon, and two orange icons at the top. At the bottom, there is a purple icon, a white circle, and a pink icon.



University 3

Generates statue head

University 3 interface showing a lecture hall background, a graduation cap icon, and two purple icons at the top. A white button labeled "Generates statue head" is positioned below the cap. At the bottom, there is a white icon, a white circle, and a pink icon.



University 2

Generates material assessment

University 2 interface showing a lecture hall background, a graduation cap icon, and two orange icons at the top. A white button labeled "Generates material assessment" is positioned below the cap. At the bottom, there is a white circle and a pink icon.



University 1

University 1 interface showing a lecture hall background, a graduation cap icon, and two pink icons at the top. At the bottom, there is a white icon, a white circle, and a pink icon.



University 1

The torso fragment is lightly clothed. The figure is probably shown bathing. The remains of a dolphin's tail fin can be seen.



University 2

An employee of the Institute of Classical Archeology states that it is unusual for the fragment to be made of limestone. Similar statues are usually made of marble.

University 3

In a museum in Leipzig there is a head made of limestone that could fit the torso.



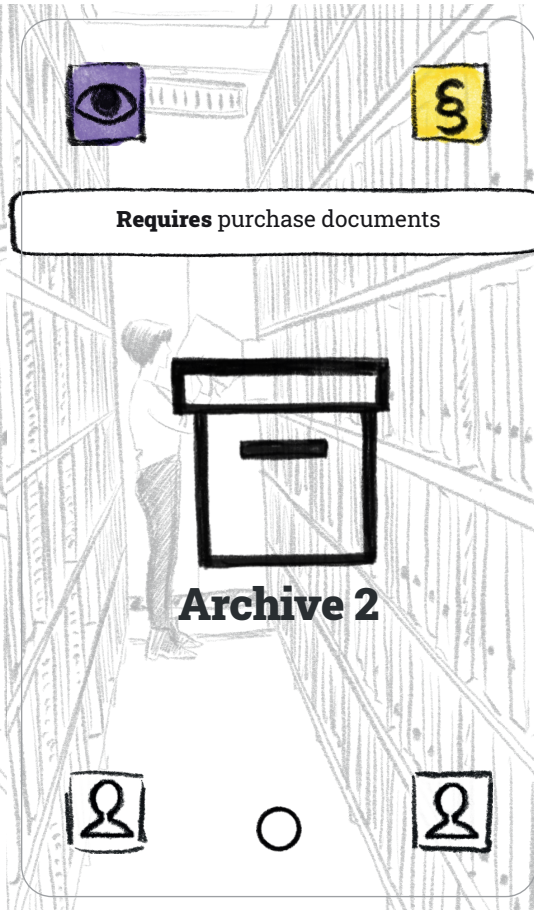
University 4

A professor of Classical Archeology conducts a stylistic analysis. He estimates that the object was made around 425–400 BC.



Archive 3

Archive 3 interface showing a person in a library aisle. The top bar contains two red document icons. The bottom bar contains a green magnifying glass icon, a white circle, and a white document icon.



Requires purchase documents

Archive 2

Archive 2 interface showing a person in a library aisle. The top bar contains a purple eye icon and a yellow paragraph symbol icon. A white text box with the text "Requires purchase documents" is overlaid. The bottom bar contains a white person icon, a white circle, and a white document icon.



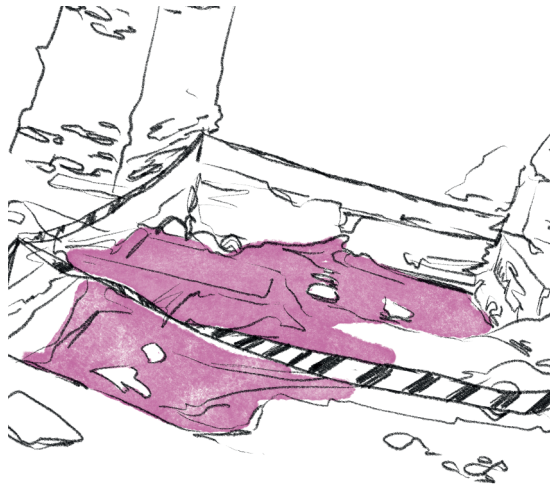
Archive 1

Archive 1 interface showing a person in a library aisle. The top bar contains two green magnifying glass icons. The bottom bar contains a white circle and a white document icon.



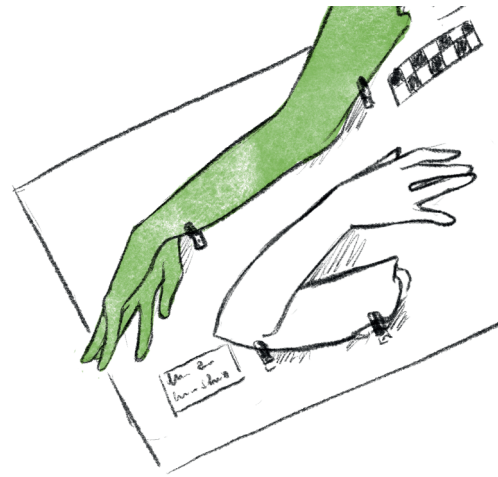
University 5

University 5 interface showing a lecture hall. The top bar contains two purple DNA helix icons. The bottom bar contains an orange icon with a DNA helix, a white circle, and a white document icon.



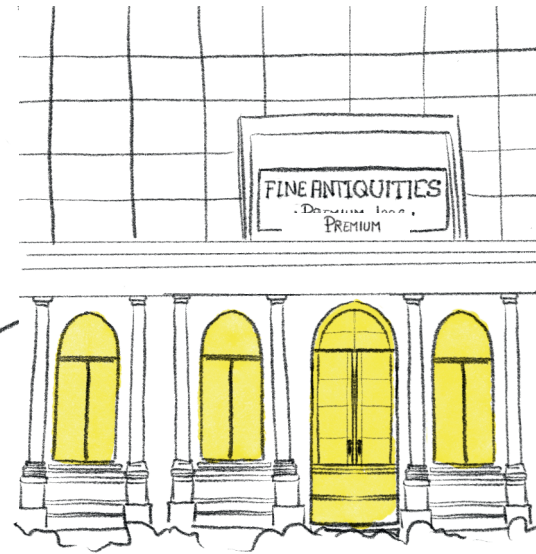
University 5

An excavation of the university in Sicily had to be stopped in the mid-1980s for safety reasons.



Archive 1

The catalogue of Frankfurt Museum does not list any body parts that fit the torso.



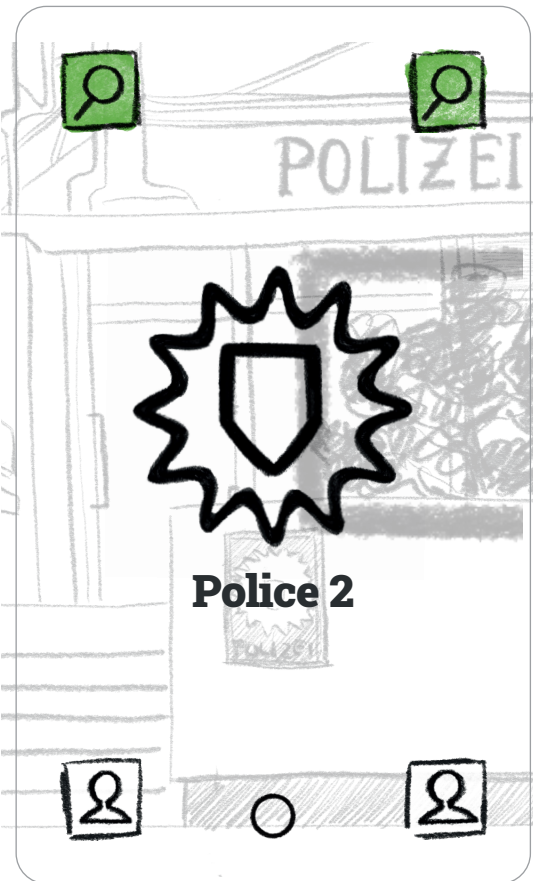
Archive 2

The object was purchased by the renowned London auction house "Fine Antiquities Premium" in 1998. The auction house had acquired the object in Italy in the same year.



Archive 3

A newspaper article from 1991 reports of increased illegal excavations in Sicily.



Police 2

The interface for 'Police 2' features a background sketch of a building with 'POLIZEI' written on it. At the top, there are two green magnifying glass icons. In the center is a large, black, jagged starburst icon. At the bottom, there are two person icons, a central circle, and a small square icon on the left.



Police 1

Generates purchase documents

The interface for 'Police 1' has a similar background sketch to 'Police 2'. At the top, there are two blue doorbell icons. In the center is a large, black, jagged starburst icon. A white button with the text 'Generates purchase documents' is positioned below the starburst. At the bottom, there are two person icons, a central circle, and a small square icon on the left.



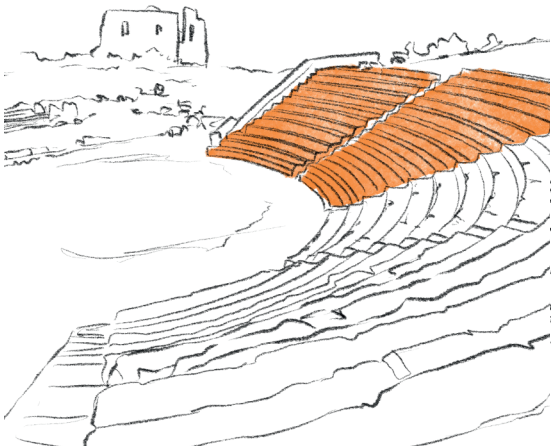
Archive 5

The interface for 'Archive 5' shows a background sketch of an archive aisle with a person looking at a document. At the top, there are two green magnifying glass icons. In the center is a large, black, rectangular icon with a horizontal line. At the bottom, there is a pink book icon, a central circle, and a person icon on the right.



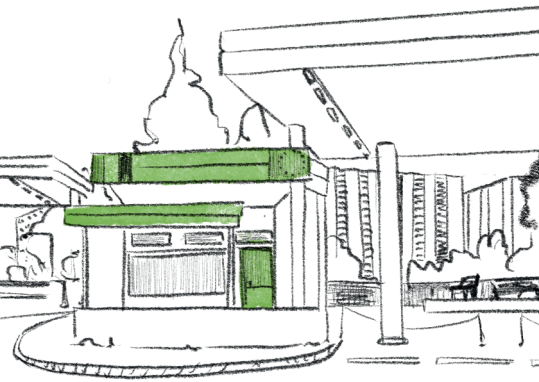
Archive 4

The interface for 'Archive 4' features the same archive aisle background sketch. At the top, there are two orange icons with a symbol resembling a crossed hammer and sickle. In the center is a large, black, rectangular icon with a horizontal line. At the bottom, there is a purple icon with a symbol resembling a crossed hammer and sickle, a central circle, and a person icon on the right.



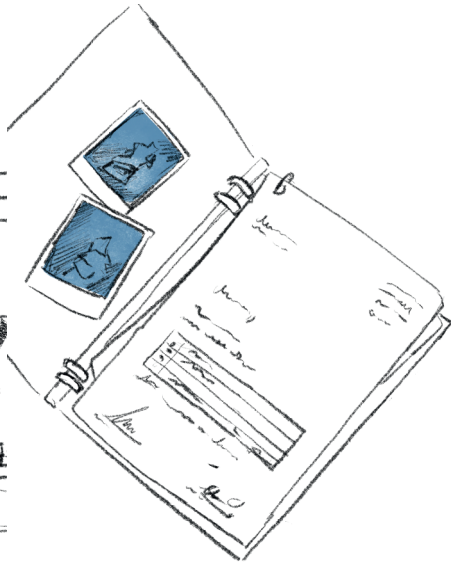
Archive 4

When the object was purchased, a soil analysis was carried out. "Morgantina" was entered as a probable excavation site.



Archive 5

According to the Italian customs authorities, there are no export permits for the torso from the 1930s and 1940s.



Police 1

The museum provides copies of the purchase documents. Below is a Polaroid photo, in which only the fragment can be seen.



Police 2

No one is left from the Parpadu family. But a former librarian of the family lives in a retirement home near Munich.



Laboratory 1

Icon: Eye (top left), Eye (top right), Microscope (center), Person (bottom left), Circle (bottom center)

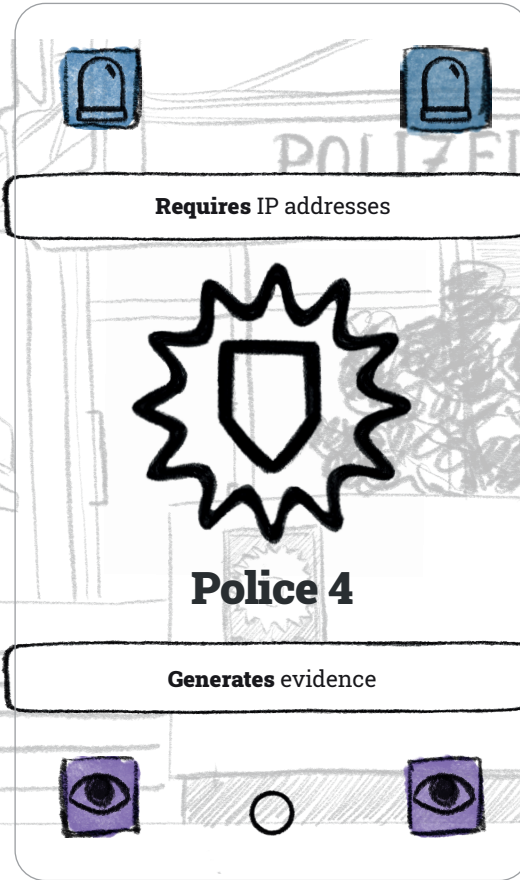
Detailed description: A hand-drawn card with a laboratory background. It features two purple eye icons at the top, a large microscope icon in the center, and a person icon and a circle at the bottom.



Police 5

Icon: Door (top left), Door (top right), § (bottom left), § (bottom right), Circle (bottom center)

Detailed description: A hand-drawn card with a police station background. It features two blue door icons at the top, two yellow § icons at the bottom, and a central circle. A large gear icon is positioned above the text.



Requires IP addresses

Police 4

Icon: Door (top left), Door (top right), § (bottom left), § (bottom right), Eye (bottom left), Eye (bottom right), Circle (bottom center)

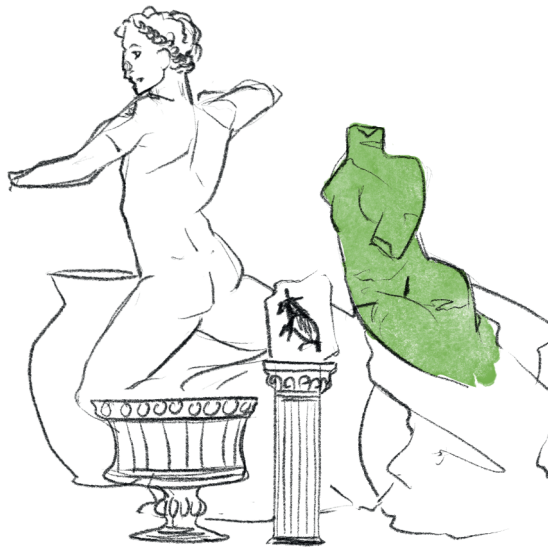
Detailed description: A hand-drawn card with a police station background. It features two blue door icons at the top, two yellow § icons at the bottom, and two purple eye icons at the bottom. A central circle is present. A text box at the top contains the text 'Requires IP addresses' and a text box at the bottom contains 'Generates evidence'. A large gear icon is positioned above the text.



Police 3

Icon: Magnifying glass (top left), Magnifying glass (top right), Circle (bottom center)

Detailed description: A hand-drawn card with a police station background. It features two green magnifying glass icons at the top and a central circle at the bottom. A large gear icon is positioned above the text.



Police 3

The librarian does not remember the object belonging to the family collection.

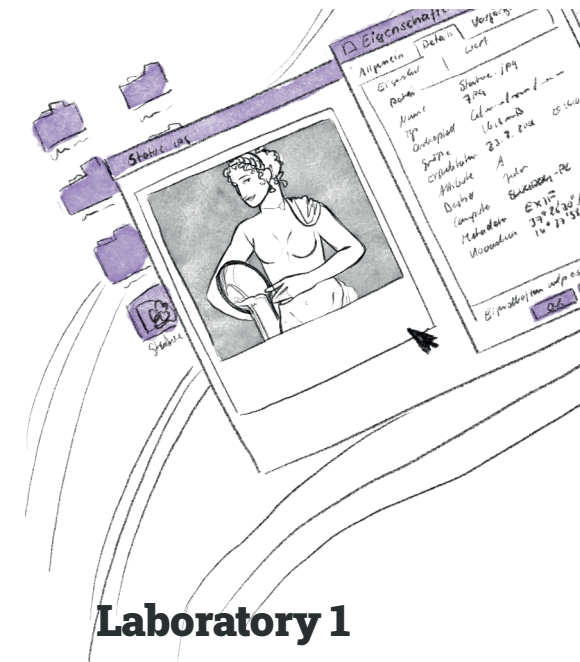


Police 4

The Carabinieri identify Salvatore Bassotti as the sender. The Bassottis are a well-known Tombaroli family.

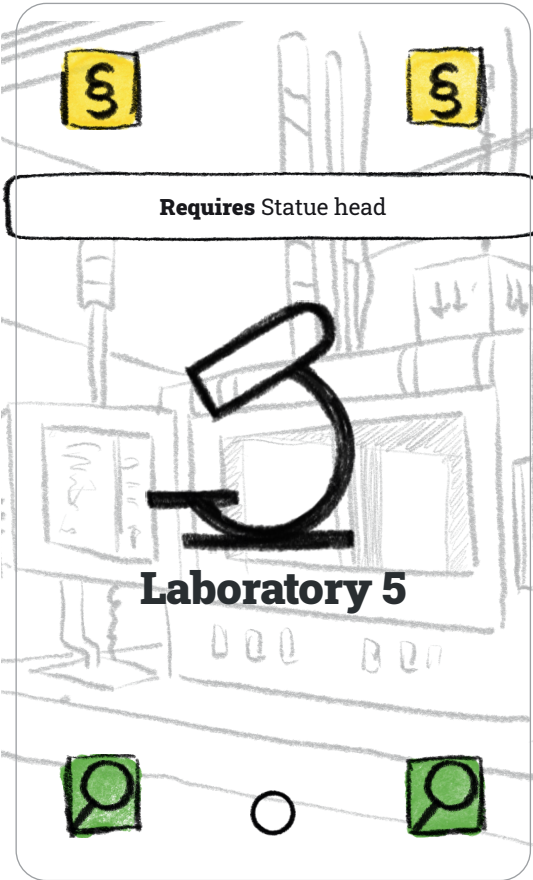
Police 5

In interview, Salvatore Bassotti states that he has been out of the family business for years and that he sent the photo of the intact object to Francesca Spadaro. He was involved in illegal excavations in Morgantina in 1991.




Laboratory 1

The Polaroid photo turns out to be original and includes EXIF data. It was recorded at GPS coordinates 37°25'30"N 14°27'58" E.






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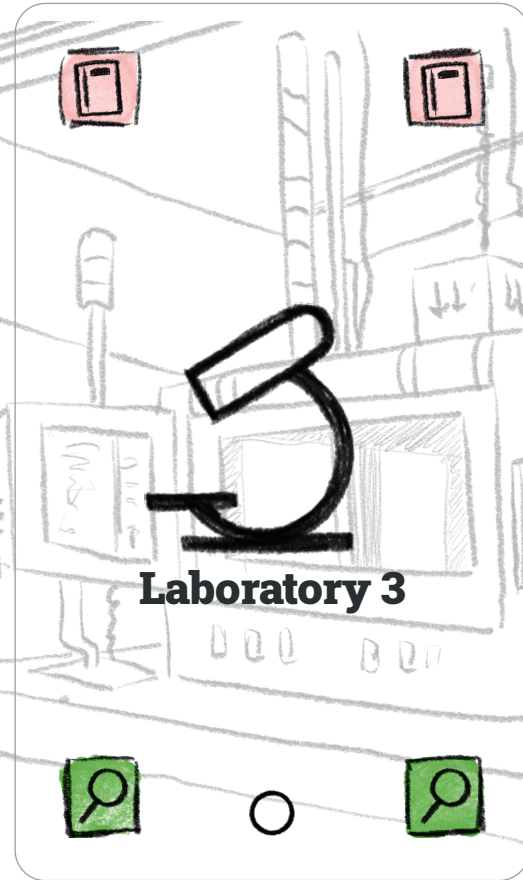

Laboratory 5




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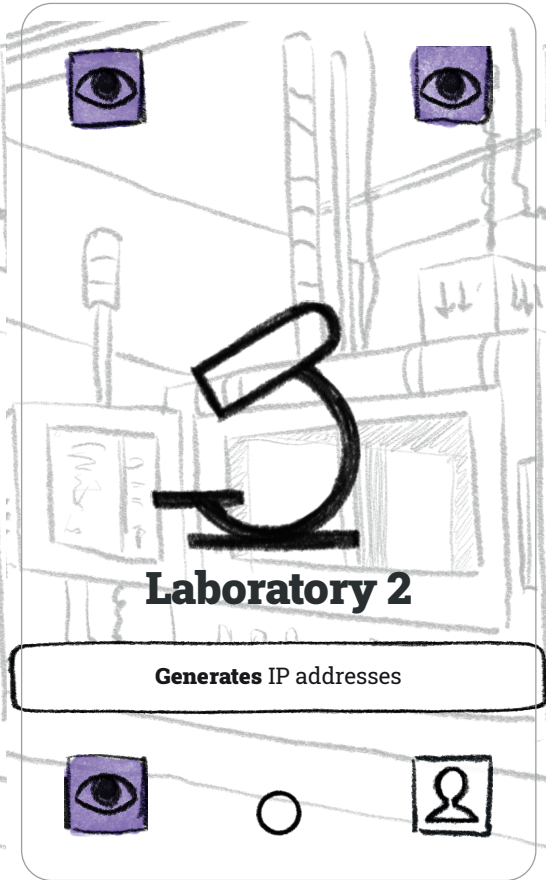



Laboratory 4



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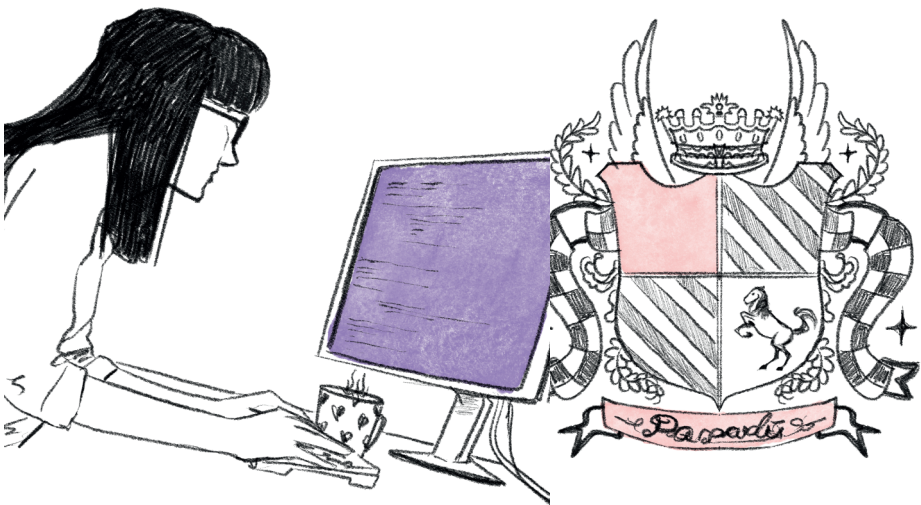
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Generates IP addresses



Laboratory 2



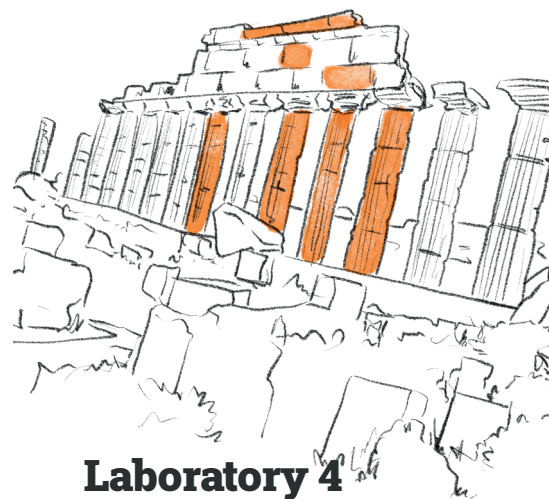


Laboratory 2

Using the provider of the email address from which the photo was sent to Ms. Spadaro, the IP address of the sender can be determined.

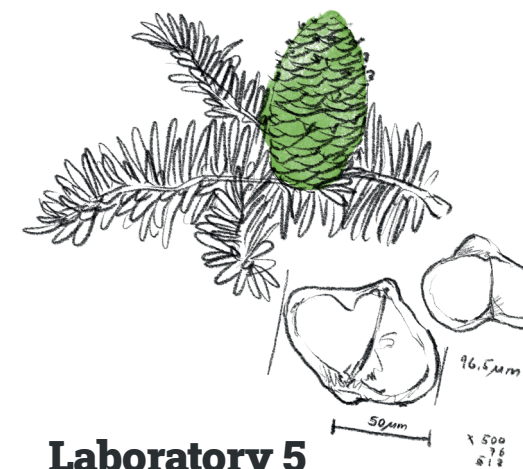
Laboratory 3

There are irregularities when the invoices are checked. The paper and ink of the documents are from the 1980s. The coat of arms of the Pappadu family shows a horse instead of a unicorn.



Laboratory 4

Geologists determine from rock samples of the torso that it is limestone from the area around Selinunte. There are microscopic traces of paint. The figure must have had a painted belt.



Laboratory 5

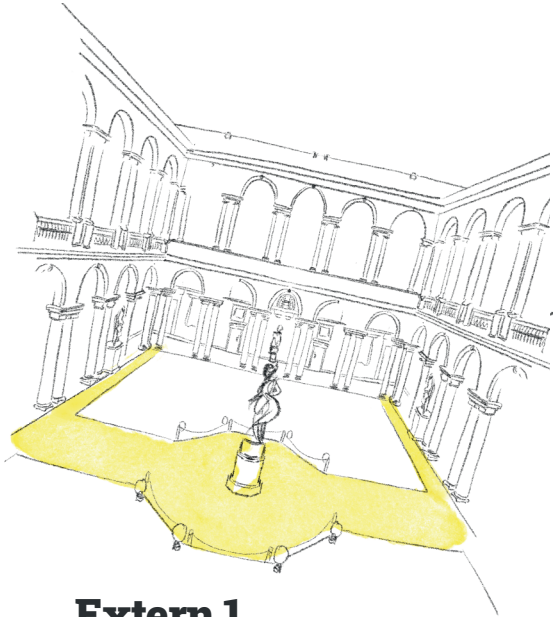
In the ears of the statue head, microscopic pollen grains of the plant *Abies nebrodensis* are found.

Extern 4

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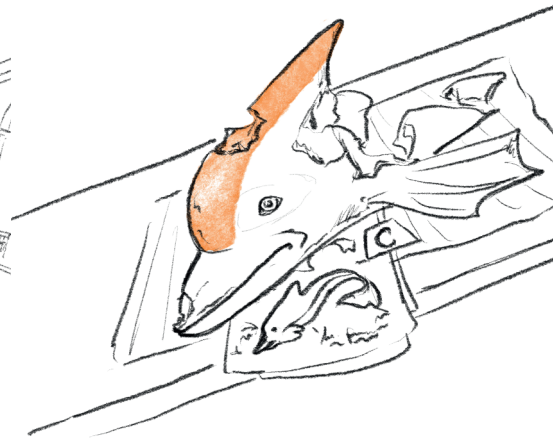
Extern 1



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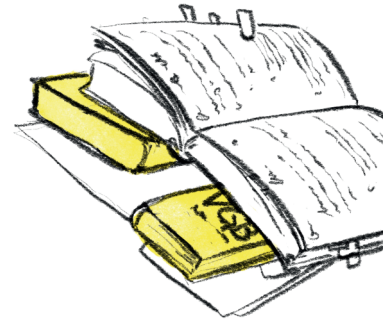
To export antiquities from Italy, an application for an official export permit must be submitted to the Ministry of Culture.

There has been an embargo since 1820.



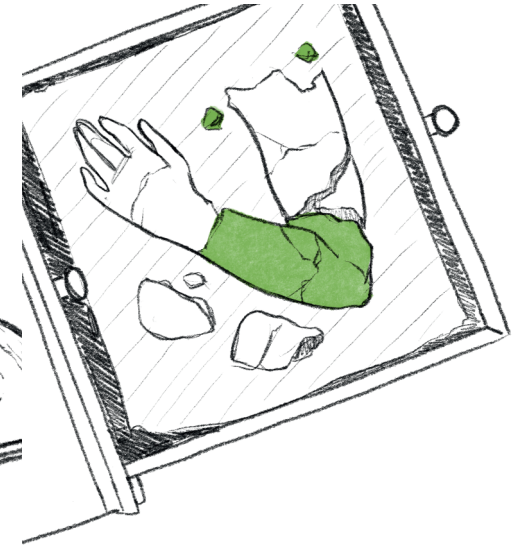
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A museum in Munich has a fragment made of limestone with a dolphin's head. The object is estimated to date from the 5th century BC.



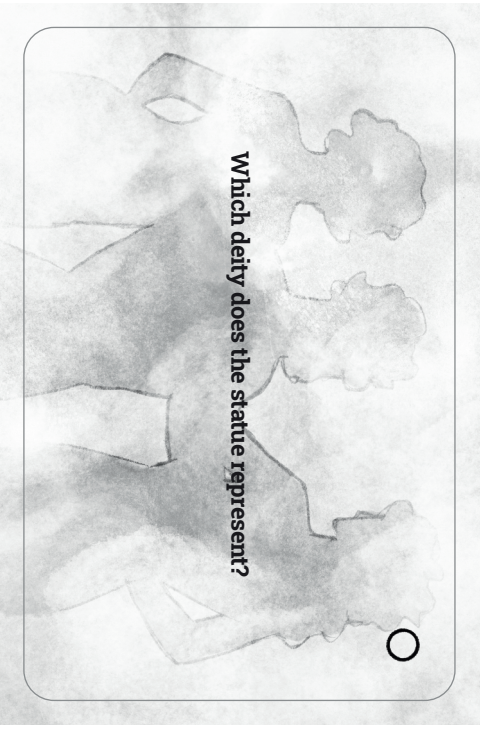
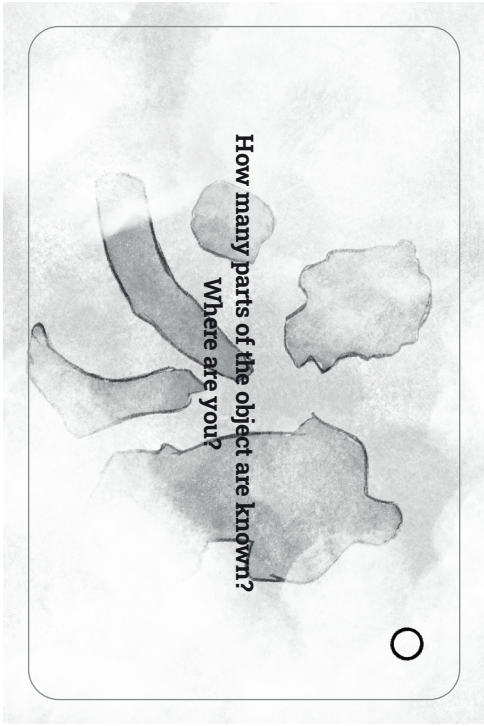
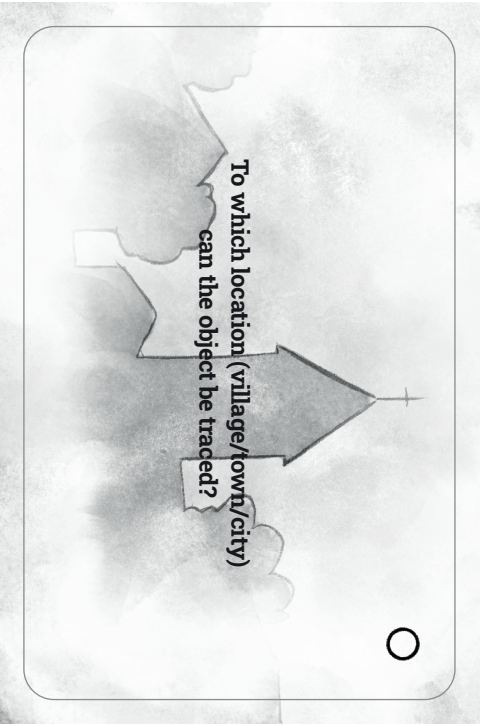
Extern 3

The state prosecutor refers to § 199 of the German Civil Code. He considers it unlikely that the case will be heard under the Cultural Heritage Protection Act.



Extern 4

There is a right arm that could fit the statue in a private collection in Naples. It is made of Carrara marble.



Extern 5

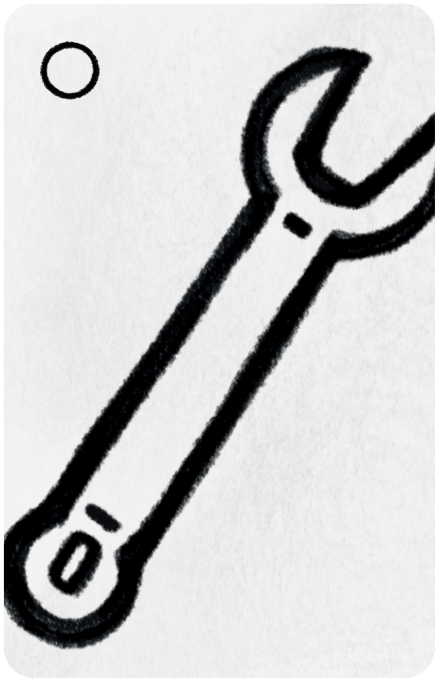
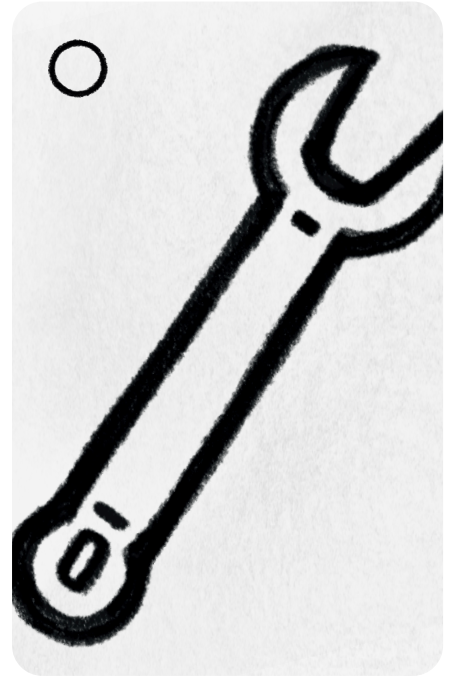
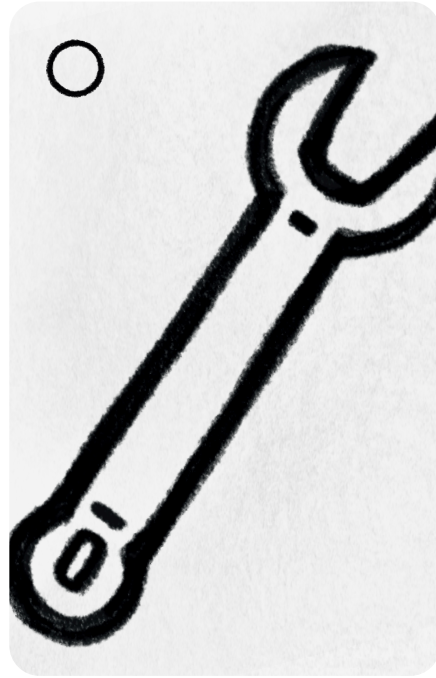
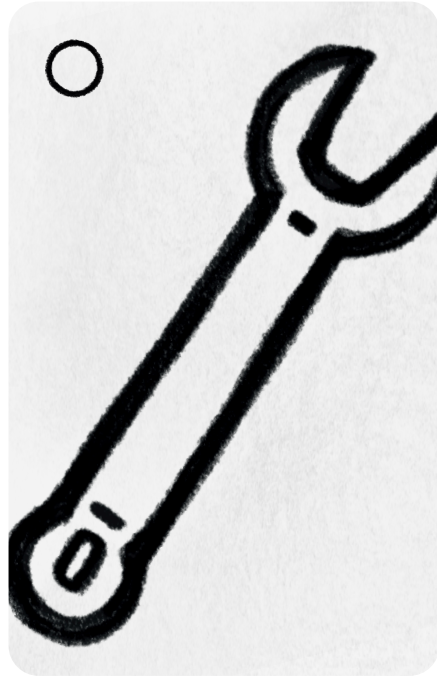
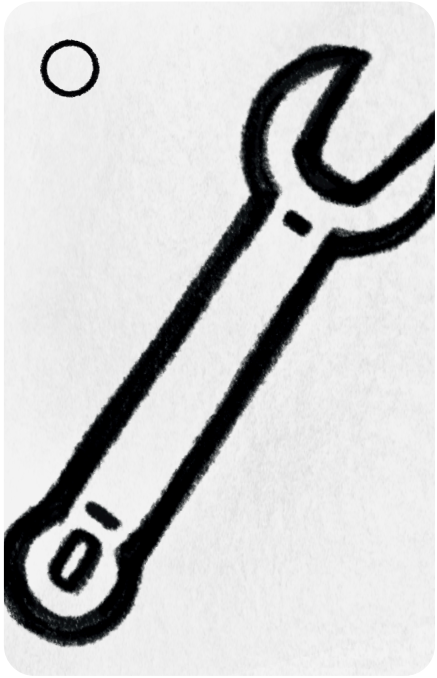
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Statue head

The severed head of a statue that matches the torso.



Material assessment

Physical and chemical analysis of the material from which the torso is made.



Purchase documents

Archived documents proving the purchase of the torso.



IP addresses

Based on the date and time of the entry, the IP address of the sender of the email can be found.



Evidence

The evidence and photos collected by the police.

