You click on the link. At first nothing happens...maybe Zoom isn't working again. Suddenly, you feel like your body is turning into jello as you melt through the floor. When you feel solid again, you realize that you are in a city-state now. You look around and see all your classmates. Looks like everyone made it...wait, where is Ms. Small? Oh great...what now? Well, only two things to do now.

Option 1: Panic and run around in circles - Click here

Option 2: Explore the city-state - Click here

You watch as everyone starts to collectively panic and run in circle. After a few minutes, you all stop from exhaustion. Well that didn't do anything.

## Run around the brickyard 2 times

Looks like your only option is to explore the city-state - Click Here

You decide to split into two groups based on each section. Each search party goes in opposite directions. Going from alley to alley, door to door, and person to person, you find that not even a single Sumerian seems to have seen Ms. Small! Anyways, after a long day of searching, you go to the river banks for some peace and rest. However, you could not be more mistaken. A sudden flash flood rises towards your feet, and you need to make a quick decision because the water is rising fast!

Option 1: Run away from the river bank - Click Here

Option 2: Swim into the Tigris river - Click Here

You dive in but soon realize that you have grossly underestimated the power of the currents. Luckily, your classmates manage to save you from imminent death from drowning. Why did you think this was a good idea? SMH my head.

## Drink water to simulate drowning.

Click Here to get back to the rest of the group.

You are all soaked now that you had a close encounter with the river. You decide to head out to the marketplace to dry off. While you are there, you see two men surrounded by guards: one appears to be the king and the other is a man from the Assembly. The guards have sharp weapons and are looking serious. Looks like you have three options in this situation:

Option 1: Bow to the king first - Click Here

Option 2: Bow to the man in the Assembly first - Click Here

Option 3: Turn around and run away - Click Here

Technically, you aren't wrong; unfortunately, you bowed to the wrong person first. The king is happy but the Elder is offended. Don't worry about it you did ok, but you will face a small punishment.

Do three squats and be on your way.

Click Here to join the rest of the group

Bruhhhh what were you thinking? You can't turn your back on two respected people! You have to bow to ONE at the very least. The guards, who have sharp weapons by the way, grab you by the collar and put you at the king's feet.

Do five forward lunges to show that you are bowing.

Click Here to get back to your group

Now that you have made a name for yourself with the high and mighty, you must demonstrate your respect for the culture by engaging in a proper conversation in the target language. BUT, you don't know how to speak anything but English and French and "Yo no comprendo" may not end well. The question is, what language do you put into Google Translate?

Option 1: Akkadian - Click Here

Option 2: Sumerian - Click Here

Option 3: Arabic - Click Here

Wow, someone knows their ancient civilization languages. Sumerians did speak Akkadian, the replacement language for Sumerian.

Since you're so gifted in languages, show your experience by saying something cool in a different language.

Click Here to go back to your group.

Here's the thing. You are not necessarily wrong in the situation because Sumerian was a spoken language, but it's so last millenium.

Show your respect by apologizing in a foreign language.

Click Here to get back to the safety of your group.

How about we don't try to rush history here. Arabic was not spoken by this civilization.

FREE PASS: You've already offended the people around you, let's not make it worse.

Click Here to get out of the spotlight you're in.

You run into some people who are celebrating. They are putting on a small skit to tell a story. Most of the actors are dressed as gods. Someone gives you a monster costume and asks you to take the place of one of the actors. This person's tips are to "attack, but resist once Marduk comes." You agree, and put on the monster costume. The skit starts, and it is your turn to go on stage. Who do you attack?

Option 1: the goddess of saltwater, Tiamat - Click here

Option 2: the god of freshwater, Ea - Click here

Congrats! You attacked the right god. Tiamat is pleased and grants you the power to find whomever you're looking for.

Do a victory dance to show your gratitude!

Click here to find whom you're looking for.

You attacked the wrong god! Tiamat was sending you to attack Ea! You must now face the wrath of Tiamat, as she sends other monsters to attack you.

Sprint across the brickyard to escape the monsters!

<u>Click here</u> to escape down a dark, mysterious alley.

You've found yourself in a dark alleyway. You begin to walk through it. At the end of it, you see Ms. Small!

Ms. Small: Hi everyone! We went a little bit over, but now it's time for lunch so I'm going to close the Zoom room. See you all tomorrow!

You feel yourself start to stretch upwards and in a few short moments you are back in your house during the pandemic. YAY. At least it's time for lunch, right?

Congrats! You've made it out of Sumer alive.