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This collection of essays by
leading researchers in the
archaeology of the European
Iron Age pays tribute to

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Professor John Collis who, since the 1960s, has been involved in investigating and enriching our understanding of Iron Age society and, crucially, questioning the status quo of our narratives

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about the past.

This volume sets out the results of a detailed programme of non-intrusive geophysical survey conducted across hillforts of Dorset (UK), generating detailed

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subsurface maps of archaeological features, in the hope of better resolving the phasing, form and internal structure of these iconic sites.

Of all Britain's great

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archaeological monuments the Iron Age hillforts have arguably had the most profound impact on the landscape, if only because there are so many; yet we know very little about them.

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Were they recognised as being something special by those who created them or is the 'hillfort' purely an archaeologists' 'construct'? How were they constructed, who lived in them and to what

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uses were they put? This book, which is richly illustrated with photography of sites throughout England and Wales, addresses these and many other questions. After discussing the difficult

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issue of definition and the great excavations on which our knowledge is based, Ian Brown investigates in turn hillforts' origins, their architecture, and the role they played in Iron Age

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society. He also discusses the latest theories about their location, social significance and chronology. The book provides a valuable synthesis of the rich vein of research carried out in Britain on

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hillforts over the last thirty years. Hillforts' great variability poses many problems, and this book should help guide both the specialist and non-specialist alike though the complex

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literature. Furthermore, it has an important conservation objective. Land use in the modern era has not been kind to these monuments, with a significant number either disfigured or lost. Public

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consciousness of their importance needs raising if their management is to be improved and their future assured.

British and Irish Archaeology
A Traveller's Companion

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The Penguin Guide to
Prehistoric England and
Wales

A geophysical survey of Iron
Age Dorset

Earl's Hill, Pontesbury and
Related Hillforts in England

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Wales

The Hill-Forts of the Welsh
Marches

**Hillforts of England and Wales Beacons
in the Landscape The Hillforts of
England and Wales Windgather Press
This volume provides the results of a**

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30-year excavation, reconstruction, and public interpretation campaign at the late prehistoric inland promontory settlement of Castell Henllys, here focusing on the defensive sequence and the role of monumentality in later prehistory. The site has international significance because of the extensive

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excavations of the Iron Age palisaded settlement and later earthen ramparts, complex gateway, and chevaux-de-frise of upright stones. It is now widely recognised that the Iron Age consisted of many regional cultural traditions, and the excavations at Castell Henllys provide a vital contrast to the well-

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known large hillfort communities in other parts of England and Wales as well as across Europe. As such, it is a unique window into a widespread but largely ignored site category and form of social and economic organisation. The publication will provide a case study for the construction and use of

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the earthworks of a major European late prehistoric settlement type – the Iron Age hillfort; the monumental construction is compared with other communal investments such as the Mississippian mounds. It will also offer an innovative form of site reporting, including alternative interpretations of

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the earthworks as either military defences or the community-binding symbols. Along with Excavation, Experiment and Heritage Interpretation: Castell Henllys Hillfort Then and Now, these books will be required reading by those studying the late prehistoric archaeology of Britain

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and Europe at advanced undergraduate and postgraduate level, and by those in North America studying complex societies, monumentality and ways of writing archaeology.

This survey of work carried out over a number of years synthesises the progress of archaeology, showing at a

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glance the changes within less than quarter of a century on the interpretation of and reflection on knowledge in the area. Entertainingly, written, this is a lasting introductory account of important finds in English and Welsh archaeology, by two of the key researchers of the time. Heavily

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illustrated, this book showcases many artefacts as well as maps and plans, offering a wealth of information.

Celtic Culture: A-Celti

Hillfort Defences of Southern Britain

Aerial Archaeology in Britain

Building and Rebuilding Castell Henllys

Hillfort

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Beacons in the Landscape

The Wessex Hillforts Project

***This volume assesses marsh-
forts as a separate
phenomenon within Iron Age
society through an
understanding of their***

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***landscape context and
palaeoenvironmental
development. These
substantial monuments appear
to have been deliberately
constructed to control areas of
marginal wetland and may***

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*have played an important role
in the ritual landscape.*

*A detailed archaeological
landscape survey which
investigates the purpose,
design and function of Iron
Age hillforts in*

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Northumberland National Park.

What are hill forts? Who built them and why? What was life in a hill fort like? Hill forts are walled places that were built during Prehistoric times.

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These walled places, or enclosures, were built on high ground and had high walls, fences and ditches built around them. Archaeologists believe that there were once many thousands of hill forts in

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existence while today there are 3,000 of them remaining. They are a fascinating reminder of our Bronze and Iron Age ancestors and give us clues about how they lived and their early building methods. In this

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book you can find out about why people built hill forts, how they built them, why they chose particular building sites and much more. You can also read in-depth profiles of the most well-known hill forts in

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*the UK, such as Maiden Castle,
Danebury and Mither Tap.*

Hillforts

*Hidden Histories: A Spotter's
Guide to the British Landscape*

*Hillforts: Britain, Ireland and
the Nearer Continent*

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***The Breiddin Hillfort
Assessing Iron Age Marsh-
Forts***

***Moel-y-Gaer (Bodfari): A Small
Hillfort in Denbighshire, North
Wales***

Select proceedings of the 4th

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University of Chester
Archaeology Student
conference (Chester, 20 March
2019) investigate real-world
ancient and modern frontier
works, the significance of
graffiti, material culture,

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monuments and wall-building,
as well as fictional
representations of borders
and walls in the arts, as public
archaeology.

The Habitats and Hillforts of
Cheshire's Sandstone Ridge

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Landscape Partnership Project was focussed on six of Cheshire hillforts and their surrounding habitats and landscapes. It aimed to develop understanding of the chronology and role of the

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hillforts and encourage local interest and involvement in their maintenance.

Highlights the achievements of prehistoric people in Britain and Ireland over a 5,000 year period.

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The Forts of Celtic Britain
Hillforts of England and Wales
Proceedings of the
International Colloquium
'FortMetalAges', Guimarães,
Portugal
Challenging Preconceptions of

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the European Iron Age

Hillforts and the Durotriges

A Bibliographical Guide

***Since its first publication in 1971,
Barry Cunliffe's monumental
survey has established itself as a
classic of British archaeology.***

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This fully revised fourth edition maintains the qualities of the earlier editions, whilst taking into account the significant developments that have moulded the discipline in recent years. Barry Cunliffe here incorporates

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***new theoretical approaches,
technological advances and a
range of new sites and finds,
ensuring that Iron Age
Communities in Britain remains
the definitive guide to the
subject.***

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A comprehensive study of the defences of prehistoric hillforts in southern Britain. The first volume examines the various forms and construction of ramparts and entrances, the dating of hillforts and their

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associated pottery, and the military and economic background to hillfort use in prehistory. Volume two presents the evidence from almost 150 individual sites excavated up to 1979, whilst the final volume

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contains appendices with results from excavations at Maiden Castle, Dorset, evidence from radiocarbon dating, and figures and illustrations.

Moel-y-Gaer (Bodfari) is the northernmost of a series of

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***hillforts atop the Clwydian hills
in Wales. Nine seasons of survey
and excavation reveal details of
Moel-y-Gaer's ramparts,
entrances and interior.
Discussion situates the site
within the later prehistoric***

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***settlement record for north-
eastern Wales paying particular
attention to hillforts.***

England and Wales

Castles of England and Wales

Warfare and Society

Later Prehistoric Pottery in

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and Wales: Volume 1, Prehistory
to AD 1042***

***Extensive Survey of Hillfort
Interiors in Central Southern
England***

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**Castles of England and Wales
contains sections on the
castles of: Windsor; Alnwick;
Arundel; Bamburgh;
Caerphilly; Carisbrooke, Corfe
and Porchester; Castle Rising;
The Channel Coast; Chepstow;**

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**Chillingham; Chirk; Durham;
Kenilworth; Richmond and
Barnard; The Tower of London;
Warwick; The Castles of North
Wales; Tintagel and
Newcastle. Roman forts and
hill forts were the main**

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**antecedents of castles
throughout Europe, which
emerged in the 9th century in
the Carolingian Empire.
Castles were introduced to the
British Isles around the early
11th century, by Norman-**

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French followers of King Edward the Confessor. When William the Conqueror executed the Norman Conquest of England, he brought with him the practice of building a castle to protect

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and hold the land, by then quite familiar on the mainland of Western Europe.

Oxbow says: This study re-evaluates many of the misconceptions about the war-crazed Iron Age warrior hero,

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and questions anew the role of hillforts as truly, or primarily, defensive structures. Taking a regional approach to Middle Iron Age warfare, Finney examines hillforts and weaponry from lowland

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Britain.

When the Romans left Britain around AD 410 the island had not been fully subjugated. In the Celtic fringes the unconquered native peoples were presented with the

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opportunity to pillage what remained of Roman Britain. By way of response the Post-Roman Britons did their best to defend themselves from attack, and to preserve what they could of the systems left

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behind by the Romans. The best way to defend their territory was to create fortifications. While some old Roman forts were maintained, the Post-Roman Britons also created new strongholds, or re-

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occupied some of the long-abandoned hill-forts first built by their ancestors before the coming of the Romans. Packed with photographs, diagrams and full color artwork reconstructions, this book

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provides a unique examination of the design and development of the fortifications during the Age of Arthur, analyzing their day-to-day use and their effectiveness in battle. It closely describes the locations

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that are linked to the most famous warlord of the Dark Ages, the legendary Arthur - Tintagel, Cadbury and "Camelot". Although these great bastions were to eventually fall, for a few brief

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**decades they succeeded in
stemming the tide of invasion
and in doing so safeguarding
the culture and civilization of
Post-Roman Celtic Britain.
Archaeology in England and
Wales 1914 - 1931**

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**Middle Iron Age Warfare of the
Hillfort Dominated Zone C. 400
BC to C. 150 BC.**

**Public Archaeologies of
Frontiers and Borderlands
The Hillforts of England and
Wales**

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**Late Prehistoric Fortifications
in Europe: Defensive, Symbolic
and Territorial Aspects from
the Chalcolithic to the Iron Age
Iron Age Hillforts in Britain and
Beyond**

Widely regarded as major visible field

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monuments of the Iron Age, hillforts are central to an understanding of later prehistoric communities in Britain and Europe. Harding reviews the changing perceptions of hillforts and the future prospects for hillfort research, highlighting aspects of contemporary investigation and interpretation.

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The earthwork forts that crown many hills in Southern England are among the largest and most dramatic of the prehistoric features that still survive in our modern rural landscape. The Wessex Hillforts Survey collected wide-ranging data on hillfort interiors in a three-year partnership between the former Ancient Monuments

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Laboratory of English Heritage and Oxford University. These defended enclosures, occupied from the end of the Bronze Age to the last few centuries before the Roman conquest, have long attracted archaeological interest and their function remains central to study of the Iron Age. The communal effort and high degree of social organisation

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indicated by hillforts feeds debate about whether they were strongholds of Celtic chiefs, communal centres of population or temporary gathering places occupied seasonally or in times of unrest. Yet few have been extensively examined archaeologically. Using non-invasive methods, the survey enabled more elaborate

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distinctions to be made between different classes of hillforts than has hitherto been possible. The new data reveals not only the complexity of the archaeological record preserved inside hillforts, but also great variation in complexity among sites. Survey of the surrounding countryside revealed hillforts to be far from isolated features in

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the later prehistoric landscape. Many have other less visible, forms of enclosed settlement in close proximity. Others occupy significant meeting points of earlier linear ditch systems and some appear to overlie, or be located adjacent to, blocks of earlier prehistoric field systems.

This volume surveys the evolution of the

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man-made landscape in Britain over the period of some three millennia before the Roman conquest.

A Later Prehistoric Settlement in the Welsh Marches

Iron Age Communities in Britain

British Fortifications Through the Reign of Richard III

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Essays in Honour of Professor John Collis

British Forts in the Age of Arthur

Monumentality in Later Prehistory

From the time the Romans

first set foot on

England's shore in 55

B.C., the British Isles

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have faced a constant threat of foreign invasion. As a result, the landscapes of England, Scotland, and Ireland are dotted with ancient defensive fortifications

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as varied as their makers.
Iron Age Celtic "hill
forts," Roman castra and
Hadrian's Wall, Anglo-
Saxon dykes and Alfredian
burhs, Norman mottes and
stone-keeps, Edwardian

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castles, Irish tower houses—they all served to repel ancient intruders and many still stand as tangible relics of a remarkable past. This study chronicles the

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development of British fortifications from prehistoric times through the end of Richard III's reign in 1485, providing the history of each type of structure, relevant

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examples, and information on weapons and siege warfare. More than 250 illustrations vividly detail each ediface's construction and configuration.

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Many of the earliest books, particularly those dating back to the 1900s and before, are now extremely scarce and increasingly expensive. We are republishing these

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classic works in
affordable, high quality,
modern editions, using the
original text and artwork.
This book straddles the
disciplines of archaeology
and social anthropology.

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Its 25 contributions
(divided into 6 sections
with separate
introductions)
successively scrutinise
the concept of war in
philosophy, social theory

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and the history of
anthropological and
archaeological research;
discuss warfare in pre-
state and state societies;
and assess its
relationship to rituals,

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social identification and
material culture.

The Prehistory of Britain
and Ireland

Papers from the Atlas of
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A Survey of the Surface
Evidence
Prehistoric Strongholds of
Northumberland National
Park

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Hillforts of the Iron Age
in England and Wales

The Atlas of Hillforts of Britain and Ireland project (2012-2016) compiled a massive database on hillforts by a team drawn from the Universities of Oxford, Edinburgh and Cork. This volume outlines the history of the project, offers

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preliminary assessments of the online digital Atlas and presents initial research studies using Atlas data.

This book, organised into 14 well-crafted chapters, charts the archaeology, folklore, heritage and landscape development of one of England's most enigmatic monuments, Old Oswestry

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Hillfort, from the Iron Age, through its inclusion as part of an early medieval boundary between England and Wales, to its role during World War I.

This book presents 19 papers from the International Colloquium 'FortMetalAges' (Portugal, 2017); they discuss different interpretive ideas for

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defensive structures whose construction had necessitated large investment, present new case studies, and conduct comparative analysis between different regions and periods (Chalcolithic to Iron Age).

The Archaeological Journal
Hillforts of the Cheshire Ridge

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Bronze Age and Iron Age Hill Forts
With Reference to the Stratigraphy and
Palaeoenvironment Surrounding The
Berth, North Shropshire
Archaeological and Social
Anthropological Perspectives
An Illustrated History
For the times when you're driving past a

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lumpy, bumpy field and you wonder what made the lumps and bumps; for when you're walking between two lines of grand trees, wondering when and why they were planted; for when you see a brown heritage sign pointing to a 'tumulus' but you don't know what to look for... Entertaining and factually rigorous, Hidden Histories will

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help you decipher the story of our landscape through the features you can see around you. This Spotter's Guide arms the amateur explorer with the crucial information needed to 'read' the landscape and spot the human activities that have shaped our green and pleasant land. Photographs and diagrams point out

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specific details and typical examples to help the curious Spotter 'get their eye in' and understand what they're looking at, or looking for. Specially commissioned illustrations bring to life the processes that shaped the landscape - from medieval ploughing to Roman road building - and stand-alone capsules explore interesting

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aspects of history such as the Highland Clearances or the coming of Christianity. This unique guide uncovers the hidden stories behind the country's landscape, making it the perfect companion for an exploration of our green and pleasant land. Half a millennium before the Romans first arrived in Britain, an even more ferocious

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people, the Celts, arrived in what is now south-eastern England. The Celts remained in Britain long after the Romans departed, and although driven into the remoter corners of the island by English invaders the people who remained clung onto their Celtic heritage, and defended their remaining lands against all-comers. In

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order to defend their lands from other tribes or outside invaders these people established powerful fortified sites that served as places of refuge in wartime and as administrative and trading centres in times of peace. This book examines these fascinating forts, which varied considerably from the mysterious brochs

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and duns found in northern Britain, to the hill-top forts ranging in size, to the promontory forts that formed powerful coastal strongholds all around the island's shores.

Old Oswestry Hillfort and its Landscape:
Ancient Past, Uncertain Future
An Account of England, Scotland and

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Wales from the Seventh Century BC Until
the Roman Conquest