



# MISSING PERSONS

Mental\_Floss is seeking information that will lead to the discovery of eight prominent people who have vanished in the annals of history. Solve these mysterious disappearances by locating their last names in the word search puzzle below. If you uncover all eight names, the Mental\_Floss Bureau of Investigation will reward you with the title, Master Word Sleuth.

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**Amelia EARTHART**  
**Last seen:** July 2, 1937 in Papua New Guinea  
**Details:** The first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, Earhart vanished on the last leg of an ambitious flight around the world.



**Jimmy HOFFA**  
**Last seen:** July 30, 1975 in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan  
**Details:** Hoffa, president of the Teamsters, was due to meet with two Mafia leaders in a restaurant outside of Detroit when he disappeared.



**Charles LINDBERGH, Jr.**  
**Last seen:** March 1, 1932 in Hopewell, New Jersey  
**Details:** Called "the crime of the century," an abductor snatched the 20-month-old Lindbergh baby from the second floor of the aviator's home, escaped down a ladder, and left a ransom note demanding \$50,000.



**Agatha CHRISTIE**  
**Last seen:** December 8, 1926 in Berkshire, England  
**Details:** At age 36, the famous mystery novelist disappeared and her car was found crashed into a chalk pit.

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**"D.B. COOPER"**  
**Last seen:** November 21, 1971 in Seattle, Washington  
**Details:** "Dan Cooper," a pseudonym used by an airline hijacker (the media mistakenly called him D.B.), threatened to detonate a bomb on a plane flying from Portland to Seattle. He received a \$200,000 ransom payout and then parachuted from the rear of the aircraft.



**Frank SINATRA, Jr.**  
**Last seen:** December 8, 1963 in South Lake Tahoe, Nevada  
**Details:** The 19-year-old son of the Chairman of the Board was abducted while staying at Harrah's Lake Tahoe. The kidnappers demanded a \$240,000 ransom, which Sinatra, Sr. paid.



**Ambrose BIERCE**  
**Last seen:** December 26, 1913 in Chihuahua, Mexico  
**Details:** At age 72, the author of *The Devil's Dictionary* and "An Occurance at Owl Creek Bridge" went on a tour of his old Civil War battlefields. His trip continued into Mexico, where he joined up with Pancho Villa's army of revolutionaries.



**Patty HEARST**  
**Last seen:** February 4, 1974 in Berkeley, California  
**Details:** Hearst, the newspaper heiress, was kidnapped and brainwashed by the Symbionese Liberation Army, a terrorist group based in the Bay Area. Two months after her abduction, she participated in a bank robbery alongside members of the SLA.

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