

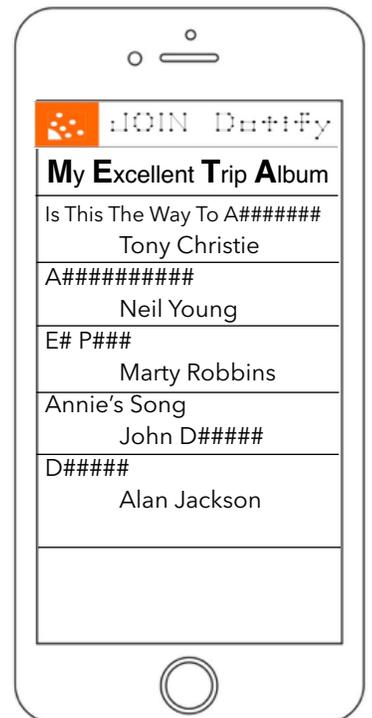
The Route

“Are you sure we’re on the right Highway?” Ian asked.
 “Of course,” I replied, “I drew the map myself.”
 “Do you know which roads to take? There’s so many. Perhaps I should navigate?”
 “Come off it Ian!” I scoffed. “You got lost in the town **square**! I’ve looked at all possible **routes**, these are the only **rational** choices.”
 “Which town? Names are important, you know!” cried Ian, “Besides, I traced my way back eventually.”
 “I guess ‘not all those who wander are lost!’” Smirked Terry, but Ian didn’t seem to get the reference.
 Oliver started searching for something in the back of the van.
 “What’s up mate? What are you looking for?” Usain asked.
 “I’m looking for something we need on our road trip.”
 “Can’t you just chill out and enjoy the music?” Neil asked, a little irritated.
 “The music’s not important right now! It was the **only** things **in this box**! How am I going to enjoy a brew without it?”



The Map

“This map is awful!” Neil complained. “Since when have there been mountains in Kansas? Did you draw this with your eyes shut?!”
 “Are you saying I don’t have the map-maker’s touch?” I replied.
 “It’ll be a relief to get to the motel,” moaned Neil, “I hate having to do this in the dark.”
 “Just read the map!” I told him.
 “I’ve a feeling you’ll see just how **much of a cartographer** I am.”





Road trip Journal Part 3: Cocktails

In L.A. we went for a pub crawl with a twist. We left the car at the motel, **flagged** down a taxi and made our way to Hollywood. Standard pub crawl rules applied, except that, in addition, each one of us would have to find a pair of stars on the Walk of Fame, and design a cocktail in their honour.

Oliver Reynolds mixed up **CRUEL HAITI SANGRIA** for the singer that knows 'What A Girl Wants' and **MAMA MID-HULA** for a former heavyweight boxing champion.

Usain Thomson created **GLASS 'N' RICE** for the magician noted for their 'Mindfreak' TV series and **RICH'S NEON DOLL** for the actor that played Batman's counterpart, Robin.

Ian Atkinson concocted **OIL AND DENIM** for a singer-songwriter famous for 'Sweet Caroline' and 'Cracklin' Rosie' and **ELFISH UNDERTAKER** for a 'Lost Boy'.

Morris Outhwaite shook up **HAIRY OLD REV** for Stan Laurel's comedy partner and **INSULT OR ORGASM** for a famous jazz trumpeter.

Terry Nolan blended **RESTYLE PERM** in honor of the legendary actor that has won three Academy Awards for her roles, and **LOSING ADRENALIN** for the actor most famous for her role in a '90s sci-fi show.

Neil Johnson's cocktails were **RAZOR-THIN LEECH**, for the South African born actor famous for her roles as Aileen Wuornos and Furiosa and **DUELLING TOKEN**, for the band leader and jazz legend for whom Stevie Wonder wrote a song in tribute.

After each member of the party had pointed out their drinks' merits it signalled the end of the night.

"**Initially** I thought this was a capital idea," slurred Morris, "but now I'm in a right **state**."

