

Remnants

Remnants is an exploration game with non-linear narrative set in alternate universe 1901. The player investigates a Gothic-style town abandoned during war, and must find fragments of lives interrupted for clues to navigate the map and uncover the fate of the town's inhabitants. The following texts are a collection of those found in game.

Newspaper clipping

Recent news of military maneuvers in the west has alarmed many in the capital, casting a shadow on National Day festivities. The prime minister has repeatedly stated the situation to be under control, but rumors of unrest abound.

Journal

I cannot believe that old bat sent the police after us. Sure, we smashed her windows. But she won't return our football! It's the good one, we saved for ages to buy it.

Police report

First floor windows shattered at home of Mrs. Dolores Humphries. Damage suggests crowbar. Occurred shortly past midnight. Victim lives alone (husband deceased). Believes neighborhood kids responsible. Does not want them arrested, only stopped.

Unsent letter

*Dearest Mathilda,
I have heard strange tidings that fighting has reached your city. It seems unlikely that the front could advance so far in such little time, but I worry for your well-being. If the rumor is true, I hope you have fled. If not, please know you always have home with me should the worst happen.
Your loving cousin,
Douglas*

Note on postbox

Second clue, Julia! I hope you're having fun with my little treasure hunt. I promise it will be worth your while. Next, go to the restaurant where you first met my parents.

Damaged radio recording

CHARLIE: Well, Burt, I fully agree with your assessment of parliament's decision, but I do *not* agree with your characterization of the chancellor's—

BURT: What's that?

CHARLIE: *[pause]* Some children popping firecrackers, no doubt.

BURT: Sounds like gunfire.

CHARLIE: Gunfire? Impossible. The war is *miles* – gods above!

[huge explosion]

BURT: Get out! Get out!

[screaming and thumping]

[another explosion, end of recording]

Note on door

Steven, if you find this, come to the pharmacy. The children are with me. We will wait as long as we can.

– Maria

School textbook

I grabbed my math book when we fled. Of all things to pack! I forgot my violin. My diary. The statue Father gave me before he died. But I brought my math book.

I'm sorry for everything, Mrs. Humphries. I was a stupid kid. I don't know why we did what we did. I saw your house on fire as we ran. But I hope you are safe. I'll see you soon, Father.

Painted on wall

THE ENEMY IS AT THE GATES. MAY THE GODS HAVE
MERCY ON OUR SOULS. MAY THEY HAVE MERCY ON
OUR CHILDREN. SPARE THE CHILDREN!

**Military
telegram**

POPULATION ZERO STOP

MOVING WEST TO JOIN REINFORCEMENTS STOP

**Note attached to
small box under
park bench**

Well done, Julia! You found the fourth and final clue. I'm
glad you remember the site of our disastrous first date. How
far we have come. Now open the box...

*Inside the box
is a ring and
a note:*

Will you marry me?