

# North London Walking Club

## South Bank Trail

Permanent Trail No.96

11 Kilometres

Start: - **Tower Hill Tube Station** (Circle & District Lines)

Upon exiting the station go left and down steps leading to Station Entrance under Road towards The Tower of London. Turn Left at the Tower Moat and follow it round to Tower Bridge Approach. Turn right here and cross over Tower Bridge.

**Q1** – On the North Tower of the Bridge there is a Brass plaque, who opened the Bridge?

On the South side of Tower Bridge go down steps in the middle of the footpath. At the bottom of the steps turn Right and travel along the embankment towards HMS Belfast. Proceed past HMS Belfast to Hays Galleria, turn Left into the shopping arcade which emerges in:

### **Tooley Street**

Turn Right along Tooley Street, before you reach the footbridge leading into London Bridge Station bear right (the Road is still Tooley Street) passing underneath London Bridge emerging in Montague Close behind Southwark Cathedral.

Turn Right into Pickfords Wharf passing St.Mary Ovaries Dock and the remains of Winchester Palace and into Clink Street.

**Q2** – What ship is moored in St.Mary's Dock?

Travel along Clink Street, past the Clink Prison Museum, and turn Right after passing through the Railway arch. This will bring you back out onto the South Embankment of the River Thames. Turn Left and continue following the riverside path, going under Southwark Bridge and past the Globe Theatre and the Tate Modern and on to:

### **Blackfriars Bridge**

Pass under the bridge and then past Sea Containers Wharf and The OXO Tower. You will then come across a complex comprising the National Theatre, the National Film Theatre, The Queen Elizabeth Hall, Royal Festival Hall and the Hayward Gallery. Continue along the Riverbank past the above complex and under Waterloo Bridge and Hungerford Railway Bridge and then Jubilee Gardens, the London Eye and the Old County Hall.

**Q3** – Along the route at various points there are silver plaques on the ground, what are they for?

Go through the tunnel under Westminster Bridge and continue along the Albert Embankment past St.Thomas's Hospital and Lambeth Palace to:

### **Lambeth Bridge**

Go under Lambeth Bridge and continue along the Albert Embankment past the Headquarters of the London Fire Brigade and the new headquarters of MI6 (Vauxhall Cross) to:

### **Vauxhall Bridge**

Cross over the River at this point, turn Right on the far side and walk along Millbank back towards Lambeth Bridge, passing the Tate Gallery on the way. At

Lambeth Bridge cross over the road and go down the steps into Victoria Tower Gardens.

**Q4** – There is a statue in the gardens relating to France, which town is it connected to?

Travel through the gardens towards:

**Palace of Westminster/Houses of Parliament**

Walk around the perimeter of the Houses of Parliament to the Clock Tower (Big Ben), passing on the way Westminster Abbey and Parliament Square. Once at the Clock Tower cross over Bridge Street and continue along:

**Victoria Embankment**

Walk along the North bank past Old Scotland Yard, the Ministry of Defence and the old paddle steamers SS Tattershall Castle and the Hispaniola. Then under Charing Cross Railway Bridge.

**Q5** – Which Egyptian relic can be found on the Embankment?

continue under Waterloo Bridge, passing Somerset House and Kings College and about 30 yards further along come to:

Finish: - **Temple Underground Station** (Circle & District Lines)

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