SOLUTION TO:



Each clue describes an ice sculpture (that sadly melted because we're doing BAPHL in the spring instead of winter); the clue and the sculpture should suggest a word in the vicinity of the sculpture, and also indicates precisely which letter to take from the word. Taking the letters in order of the clues gives the answer: **DETESTABLE EYESORE**.

Instruction	Ice Sculpture	Word of Interest	Letter
We start at the skating rink by The Charles Hotel at the spot marked by the hotel icon on your map. Our first ice sculpture is of a famous starlet. The name of one of her alleged lovers is on the gate nearby. Take the last letter of his middle name (which is also, coincidentally, her cup size).	Marilyn	Fitzgerald (from John Fitzgerald Kennedy)	D
If you're facing the gate, turn right and you'll see a sculpture of a crustacean wearing a powdered wig. Above him is a sign for a restaurant he could advertise. Take the letter that is dead center at the top of the sign.	Lobster in barrister wig	Legal (from Legal Sea Foods)	Е
Kitty corner to the skating rink is a sculpture of a part of the human body. There are two nearby stores that have signs featuring that body part. Take the first letter from the service offered by the store on the right and cross the streets so you're in front of that store.	Eye	Threading	т
Walk toward IHOP, but keep a look out on your left for the next sculpture, the title character of a popular film from the 80s. He's pointing one gnarled finger towards a word on a sign for a Real Estate company. That word is a homophone for the character's best friend's name. Take the first letter of the friend's name.	E.T.	Eliot (from The Banker Real Estate Company)	Е
Walk past the entrance to the parking garage and look on your left for an ice sculpture of a group of characters from a fairly recent summer blockbuster. This sculpture is in front of Sabra Grill, which has a sign advertising a food they eat in the film. Take the first letter of this food.	The Avengers	Shawarma	S
Continue to the nearest corner where you'll see our next sculpture (which we admit we copied from the opening credits of <i>The Simpsons</i>), in front of a place that sells this item. Take the last letter of the item.	Donut	Donut	Т
Turn the corner to see the next ice sculpture, located to your left on a set of stairs leading up. We apologize for this sculpture. We thought Mickey Rooney's character in <i>Breakfast at Tiffany's</i> was good clean fun, but we've been informed that this is culturally insensitive. Again, we apologize, and direct your attention to the sign above the sculpture (the one the chopsticks in the ice sculpture are pointing to), which has a single word with four instances of a single letter. Take that letter.	"something culturally insensitive"	Wagamama	A
What did we say about staring at that last sculpture? Please avert your eyes and look across the street, where we've placed an ice sculpture of a bird that's not often ice-colored. Take the first letter of the item the store that it's in front of sells.	Raven	Books	В
Turn left onto Winthrop Street to see our next sculpture, which is a common household item. A letter in the name of a nearby store looks like something that could be inserted into this item. Take that letter.	Stapler	Staples	L
Walk down Winthrop Street to the edge of a park that should look familiar. You'll see a sculpture of a famous mythological warrior facing a picture of one of his three antagonists. (The picture is on a local establishment, we just added the warrior.) Take the second letter of the warrior's name.	Beowolf	Grendel	Е
Walk diagonally through the park and cross the street toward the appropriately named Tasty Burger. (Have you stopped for lunch yet? We're getting the munchies for some reason.) There's no ice sculpture in front of Tasty Burger, but if you face its main entrance and turn left, you'll see another sculpture we were a little nervous about. We'd have been less nervous if we were in Colorado or Washington, but hey, maybe we can claim the sculpture is medically necessary. Anyway, it's in front of The Garage, near a sign for an appropriate store. Take the only letter that appears twice in that store's name.	Pot leaf	Hempest	E
Continue down the street to the traffic light and cross the street toward a sculpture of an article of clothing. It's in front of a store named for a fictional character who is often seen with a person wearing this piece of clothing in a very specific color. Take the first letter of that color.	Hat	Yellow (Man in the Yellow Hat from <i>Curious George</i>)	Y
Cross the street toward Tory Row. Turn left onto Brattle Street and walk to the corner of Palmer Street. Look directly across the street—don't cross the street here, you'd be jaywalking and it's unsafe. In any event, the sculpture should be large enough to see; it's our icy tribute to a trendy baked good. Take the double letter of the name of the nearest store which sells these.	Cupcake	Sweet	E
Under the store's name are two words. Take the first letter of the second word.	Cupcake	Square	S
Cross Palmer Street and you'll see an ice sculpture of some barnyard animals on your side of the street. A store in the area shares its name with the structure these animals are usually housed in. There are two letters in the name of the store that look like the things you might collect in the structure; take one of these letters.	Chickens	Соор	0
Our sculpture of a famous poet is situated right next door in front of a restaurant that takes its name from the poetry movement he is associated with. All the signs for this restaurant have a nine-letter word followed by a three letter word that comprises the first three letters of the nine-letter word (in a different order). Take the last letter of that three-letter word.	Kerouac	Bar (from Beat Hotel: Brasserie Bar)	R
Look down the street in the direction you were going, and you'll see our final sculpture looming ahead of you. It may <i>look</i> like it's just the extra ice left over after making all of the other sculptures, but we assure you it is of a specific geologic formation. It's conveniently located just below a business that shares this formation's name AND includes a direction. Take the letter commonly associated with this direction.	Mountain	Eastern (from Eastern Mountain Sports)	E