

The Battle of Prestonpans 1745

The Prince Arrives

Hi, I'm Sandy Panner!

It is summer time in the year 1745.

A special message has arrived, but I need your help to read what it says.

The letters have been swapped for numbers.

Can you help me work out the words?

Use the code-breaker to find the right letters, and write them in the boxes to reveal the message.



Code-breaking tool:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
e	r	s	n	t	c	h	i	p

The secret message:

4	6	0		8	1	7	3	5	0		7	2		6	0	1	0



This message must be about Prince Charles Edward Stuart, sometimes known as Bonnie Prince Charlie.

He usually lives in Rome, so he must have come to Scotland by boat. He wants to raise an army.

What do you think he might have brought with him?

clothes

footballs

money

bananas

weapons

balloons

Battle Facts

Prince Charlie and his supporters believed that his father should be king. His father was called James. The Latin word for James is *Jacobus*. That is why people who wanted James to be king were called Jacobites. Many Jacobites really did use codes and hidden symbols to write to each other safely.

