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Here are your hosts, Charles Watkins and Tom Brotherman! Good Evening, gentleman!

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# **TONIGHT'S TOOLS**

- A modern telephone
- An old telephone operator
- https://www.phonespell.org/
- dCode Solvers, Ciphers, Calculators, Decoders, Online

## **PREVIOUS TOOLS**

- http://tools.cachetheline.net/
- <a href="https://omniglot.com/conscripts/puzzlecode.htm">https://omniglot.com/conscripts/puzzlecode.htm</a>
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List of languages by writing system
- https://sites.google.com/site/worldfactsinc/Non-Latin-Script-Languages-Of-The-World

#### **NOTES** -

- SMS Texting (Multitap)
  - https://www.dcode.fr/multitap-abc-cipher
  - THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT 8 44 2 66 55 0 999 666 88 0 333 666 777 0 999 666 88 777 0 7777 88 7 7 666 777 8
  - o A = 2, B= 22, C = 222, Space = 0
  - o Pretty easy to decode. There are websites to do this for you.
- T-9 or Predictive Text
  - https://www.dcode.fr/t9-cipher
  - THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT 84265096803670968707877678
  - o 2 could be A, B or C. Space = 0
  - A lot more difficult to decode by hand. There are websites to give the possibilities.
- Telephone Exchanges
  - o <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Telephone">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Telephone</a> exchange names
  - o <a href="http://historysdumpster.blogspot.com/2013/01/classic-telephone-exchanges.html">http://historysdumpster.blogspot.com/2013/01/classic-telephone-exchanges.html</a>

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- Replaces the first two or three digits of a phone number with letters which are associated with a name.
- o PEnnsylvania 6-5000
  - Name of a song recorded by Glenn Miller and his orchestra on April 28, 1940 in New York
  - Phone number to the Hotel Pennsylvania (212) **73**6-5000.
  - Claims it to be the oldest continuing telephone number in New York City.
  - As of 2020, callers to 212-736-5000 are greeted with the hotel's phone system recorded greeting that includes a portion of the song.
  - In print, such as on business cards or in advertisements, the full central office name was often shown only by the two letters:
    - TEmpleton 1-6400 would appear as TE 1-6400
- There was a set of recommended names created in 1955 by AT&T
- Dual Tone Multi Frequency (DTMF)
  - o https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dual-tone multi-frequency signaling

- A DTMF code for dual-tone multi-frequency, is the name given to a combination of sound frequencies (beep) emitted by the keys of a telephone keypad. They are used by voice servers and for dialing numbers.
- Good for hiding numbers

#### The Chart

	1209 Hz	1336 Hz	1477 Hz	1633 Hz
697 Hz	1	2	3	А
770 Hz	4	5	6	В
852 Hz	7	8	9	С
941 Hz	*	0	#	D

- 2468 would be encoded as 1336-697 1209-770 1477-770 1336-852
- All of these should be used with a cache container hidden in a phone booth or in a telephone.
- Using Google Voice to provide clues
  - Signup is free
  - https://voice.google.com/u/0/signup
- https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC7HMA5 the-big-red-english-box
  https://coord.info/GC32A0H
- https://coord.info/GC7B77W
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