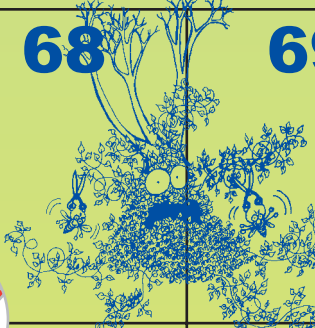
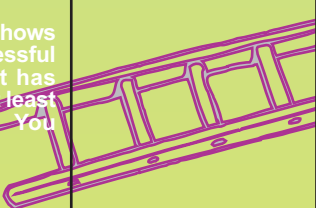
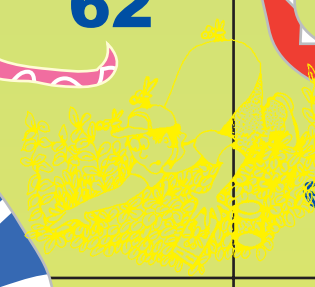
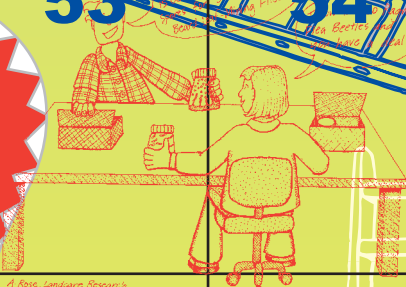
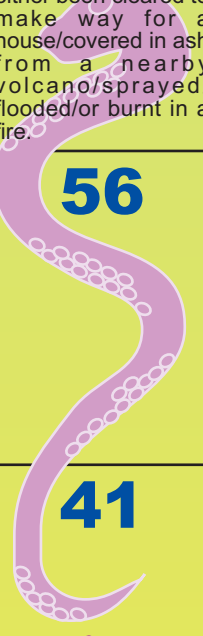








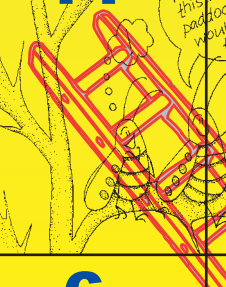
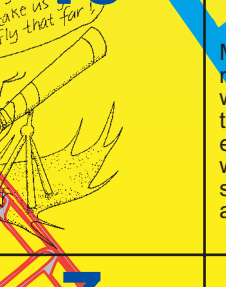




THE BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF WEEDS CHALLENGE

The person who gets around the board the most times in 1 hour wins!

GET STARTED
FIND SUITABLE AGENTS
TEST AGENTS THOROUGHLY
IMPORT AGENTS INTO QUARANTINE
GET PERMISSION TO RELEASE AGENTS
MASS PRODUCE AGENTS
RELEASE AGENTS WIDELY
MONITOR ESTABLISHMENT SUCCESS OF AGENTS
EVALUATE SUCCESS OF PROGRAMME

65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72
Miss a turn while you are inundated by the media enquiring about this wonderful new agent everyone is talking about.	Discover that, despite assurances from the land owner, your assessment trial plots have been sprayed again!	You can't hide from the truth any longer. The agent you have sweated so hard over has become a favourite food item for native predators and is rendered completely useless.			An economist shows that your successful control project has paid for itself at least 10 times over. You are a star!		Congratulations you have successfully controlled your target weed! Now you have been asked to tackle another..... Return to start
64	63	62	61	60	59	58	57
	You look everywhere but you can't find any trace of your control agent and must accept that it has failed to establish. You must now concentrate your efforts on a new agent.			You can't believe your eyes when you see your control agent everywhere you go. It doesn't get any better than this!	The unthinkable has happened. Your new agent has been accused of attacking other plants. Miss a turn while you clear your agent's good name.		You eagerly revisit several release sites and find that they have either been cleared to make way for a house/covered in ash from a nearby volcano/sprayed/flooded/or burnt in a fire.
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56
	The courier company entrusted with delivering your precious cargo manages to lose several parcels. Miss a turn trying to track them down.		Miss a turn while you convinced troubled airline staff that your hand luggage is not harmful to the other passengers and that there is such a thing as good insects and diseases.			Regional council staff assist with finding excellent release sites and many hands make light work of releasing (and later re-releasing) the agents far and wide.	
48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41
For some strange reason you end up with only male offspring and must request another shipment from Europe.			The automatic watering system breaks down over Christmas and the stocks of plants needed for mass-rearing die. Miss a turn while you grow some replacements.		Your new agents reproduces prolifically beyond your wildest dreams!		
33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
Miss a turn when your company decides to restructure. Morale is low and your budget has been slashed, but you still soldier on towards your goal.		Some people object to your application to release your agent. Miss a turn attending a public hearing.		In order to keep everyone happy you agree to test one additional plant species.			You leave no stone unturned in preparing a stunning application which is approved in record time.
32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25
Receive a large shipment of your prospective control agent that thrives even under the artificial conditions in quarantine.			Pathology testing reveals that your newly arrived shipment is seriously afflicted by a strange fungal disease and must be destroyed. Miss a turn.			Miss a turn while you complete safety-testing of some native plants that won't grow overseas.	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Your heart sinks when you discover that your most promising agent has the ability to seriously damage a native icon species.			Results of safety-testing suggest that your agent might slightly damage a non-target plant. Miss a turn while you consult widely to see if this would be tolerable to the community.			Hooray, your most promising prospective agent refuses to set up house on anything other than your target weed!
16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9
Surveys turn up some really promising agents but you have no idea what makes them tick. Miss a turn while you delve into their private lives.		An outbreak of political unrest in Eastern Europe forces you to delay your visit to look for potential agents. Miss a turn.		Travel all over the country surveying your target weed. You are in luck as you find a promising natural enemy has recently arrived and are saved the hassle (and embarrassment) of importing it.			Many hours of research bears fruit when you discover that the natural enemies of your target weed have been well studied and used in another country.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Decide to tackle a serious weed problem.			Miss a turn while you sort out conflicts of interest. Not everyone hates your target weed as much as you do!		Things are not always as they appear to be! Miss a turn while you do genetic studies to sort out the exact nature of the beast.		Many months of negotiation pay off when you secure extra funding from an international consortium. Progress can now be made far more quickly.