

**PRESENTED BY BROOKLINE  
GREENSPACE ALLIANCE**

*This quest will take you around  
Leverett Pond.*

*Begin at the Cumberland Avenue  
Bridge near the corner of Pond and  
Cumberland Avenues. When  
complete, return here for a treat.*



**Olmsted Park Quest**

Begin your quest on the southern-  
most edge  
Of Leverett Pond, near the old stone  
bridge  
Enter the park, named after the man  
Who created a masterful open space  
plan.

Frederick Law O\_\_\_\_\_ knew the  
importance of spaces  
For people to walk and enjoy quiet  
places  
He created a “necklace” of emerald  
green  
Linking B\_\_\_\_\_ and B\_\_\_\_  
\_n along field and stream.

To the right of the bridge, which was  
built to span  
A babbling brook that wound  
through the land  
You’ll notice a culvert that now acts  
as a way  
For water to flow, without light of  
day.

Stay to the left ‘round Leverett Pond  
Until you reach the side beyond  
Where a field known as Daisy was  
built as a way  
For kids to play b\_\_\_\_\_ on  
warm summer days.

Follow the path, to a large grove of  
trees

Leaves flutter and dance, spurred on  
by the breeze  
Sugar Maple, Black Cherry, and  
numerous O\_\_’s  
Are just some of the types planted by  
earlier folks.

These trees provide shelter, food and  
a place  
For hundreds of b\_\_\_\_\_ to rest and  
feel safe  
There are numerous kinds such as  
Bluejay and Crow  
You might also see Redwings and an  
English S\_\_\_\_\_ ow.



Now go to the edge of the pond, do  
you see?  
Any t\_\_\_\_\_s on top of a log,  
happily  
Sunning themselves, looking rather  
care-free?



You’ll come to another bridge on the  
road  
A good place to stop and lighten  
your load  
It’s made out of s\_\_\_\_\_ of a  
beautiful type  
And makes a good spot to look out at  
the site.

Continue your walk and admire the  
paths  
That used to let people, horse and  
carriages pass  
Designed so they each had their own  
private way  
Allowed all to enjoy the park in their  
day.  
The tradition continues, although it  
has changed

It’s b\_\_\_s and pedestrians who  
have their own lane!

In the pond you will notice a new  
piece of land  
A place where the geese sit out on  
the sand  
Undisturbed by dogs and other  
species that roam  
The geese from C\_\_\_\_\_ now call  
this their home.

The problem with this is that they  
now overstay  
Their welcome, and never do they go  
away  
They are growing in number, so  
please read the sign  
“Do Not Feed the Waterfowl” – it  
will keep them in line.

Your next stop is at the Allerton  
Overlook  
Two newly planted Beech trees, take  
a look  
A semi-circular path invites  
A scenic view, take in the sight.



Continue your journey and look till  
you see  
A series of islands, count them,  
there’s \_\_\_ ee  
They are covered with trees, you’ll  
notice the Birch  
They offer good places for songbirds  
to perch.  
If you’re particularly careful, you  
might see the ledge  
Where a heron wades out very close  
to the edge.

You are nearing the end of your  
Olmsted Park quest  
We know that you have given your  
best  
We hope you come back and visit  
again  
Olmsted Park continues then.  
Of Willow and Wards Ponds  
We know, you will also be fond.



Answers: Olmsted; Brookline and Boston; Baseball;  
Oak; Birds; Sparrow; Turtles; Stone; Bikes; Canada;  
Three.