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## UNRECORDED GAME MAP OF THE WORLD

**Geographical and Zoological Game of the World. Spooner's Map of the World Showing the Distribution of the Principal Animals over the Globe and Illustrated with the Comparative Heights of the Principal Edifices of the World; the orbit of the World &c. &c.**

### Author

SPOONER, William

### Publication date

Aug. 16th, 1852.

### Publisher

W. Spooner, Strand,

### Publication place

London,

### Physical description

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### Dimensions

### Notes

Striking game world map showing the distribution of animals around the world. The game is played with a totem marked with the four cardinal directions (N,S,E,W). The player moves along the lines of

latitude and longitude, as instructed by the totem. As they move, the players pay in and receive counters from the pool when they land on principal cities or circles with the names of indigenous animals. When the player lands on one of these circles, they are required to read out the names of the animals and the name of the continent on which they preside. The winner is the player who lands on the "Game" marker.

Above the map are twelve vignettes of animals and their habitats from around the world; these include the elephant, rhinoceros, boa constrictor, lion, hippo, puma, black bear, tiger and American bison. Surrounding the map is a list and diagram of the 19 principal edifices of the world, together with diagrams of the annual revolution of the earth round the sun and the altitude of the sun at the summer and winter solstice and equinox.

William Matthias Spooner (1796-1882) was a publisher and printseller working in London. He specialised in children's instructional games.

We are unable to trace an institutional example.

### **Bibliography**

Not in Whitehouse.

### **Provenance**

### **Price:**

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