

Zulu Vacation

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It should be relatively obvious that the cities are the main attractions of this puzzle. Time was fairly important to the first tribe – this figures because Zulu (UTC +0) is the basis of Coordinated Universal Time. Wikipedia has a handy time-zone guide (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time_zone), so let's take a look-see.

Denver	(-7)	T
Paris	(+1)	A
Sydney	(+10)	K
Islamabad	(+5)	E
Colombo	(+6)	F
Fernando de Noronha	(-2)	O
Seattle	(-8)	U
Toronto	(-5)	R
Calgary	(-7)	T
Hong Kong	(+8)	H
Solomon Islands	(+11)	L
New Delhi	(+5:30)	E
Salt Lake City	(-7)	T
Albuquerque	(-7)	T
Karachi	(+5)	E
Ann Arbor	(-5)	R

The second tribe had a more refined culture and language (read: different encoding). Aviators and radio operators usually use words in place of letters in communications to minimize confusion, so let's try that (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NATO_phonetic_alphabet). Again, we will take the time zone of the cities, but convert into the corresponding word (A -> Alpha, B -> Bravo, C -> Charlie, Z -> Zulu). Remember to take the fourth letter as we just learned from part 1!

Honolulu	(-10)	Whi(s)key	S
Rome	(+1)	Alp(h)a	H
Rio de Janeiro	(-3)	Pap(a)	A
Before crossing Date Line (westbound)	(-12)	Yan(k)ee	K
Auckland	(+12)	Mik(e)	E
Hilo	(-10)	Whi(s)key	S
They had to take a break and pee			P
Beijing	(+8)	Hot(e)l	E
Buenos Aires	(-3)	Pap(a)	A
Doha	(+3)	Cha(r)lie	R
Pittsburgh	(-5)	Rom(e)o	E

SHAKESPEARE is the final answer. Bonus points for naming the play that contains the words for R and J: ROMEO AND JULIET.