



# PUZZLE CORNER No.01 CODES



**SUN SWORD TRILOGY**  
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Where did Belinda get the names for some of her characters such as Emperor Raef, the Sedahs and their religion Krad? They are simply words spelt backwards. For example Raef is **fear**, Sedah is **Hades** and Krad is **dark**!

Belinda Murrell is related to the first children's author to be published in Australia. Her great-great-great-great grandmother Charlotte

Atkinson, wrote *A Mother's Offering to her Children*, which was published in Australia in 1841. Belinda's new book *The Locket of Dreams* was shortlisted in the Fiction for Older Readers section of the children's choice book awards—YABBA, KROC, KOALA and COOL.

In the sun Sword Trilogy, Ethan, Lily, Saxon and Princess Roana must crack many codes and puzzles to help them win their quest. A code they use between themselves to write notes, is simply writing backwards. See if you can crack this code.

**Ahsa dna Adnileb sehsiw tseb! Serutnevda yppah ynam dna gnidaer peek. Koob wen ym tuoba dna, ygolirt drows nus eht tuoba erom gnidaer yojne uoy epoh i.**

Can you crack the Sedah code? The Sedahs substitute numbers for letters of the alphabet. But A is not 1. That would be too easy. See if you can crack this Sedah note.

- 22 10 2 3 14 1.
- 23 1 13 14 1 2 15 4 21 15 18 21 21 14 13. 12 18 16 10 1 2
- 6 18 3 17 24 23 3 14. 21 4 24 10 1 22 23 3 17 2 3 10 1 2
- 23 24 2 14 10 13 1 10 16 23 24 3 6 23 13 10 8 2.
- 21 10 9 21 10 12

Hint Emperor Raef, has the letters of his name as numbers 1, 10, 14 and 15.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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Secret writing—Everyone knows you can make invisible ink using lemon juice on paper but can you crack these codes taken from the Sun Sword trilogy by Belinda Murrell?

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