

Cracking the Millionaire Code

Code Cracking Checklist

How do you crack codes? According to the experts there are many ways. Below is a list of a few of the ways that might help you crack the codes in [Cracking the Millionaire Code](#).

1. Read The Code Book. It is very interesting reading and it gives some insight into cracking codes.
2. Think out of the box. If you were going to code a message, what are the different ways you could code it. For example, I was sitting in the car waiting for my wife to come out of a store. I looked at all the street numbers on each store. These could be the basis of a code. If you started at the main intersection in town and worked your way north along A Street, then the first store on the right, let's say it is numbered 100 and would represent letter A. Let's say the next store is 102 and would represent letter B, the third one is 104 and would represent the letter C and on through to the rest of the alphabet. So the code would begin 100, 102, 104 ... if the coded message was "A, B, C are the first three letters of the alphabet." Now, that would be pretty hard to crack unless you had a clue that A Street in that same town I was in was the key to the code. Then if you went to 100 A Street and looked up and down the street you might be able to crack the code.
3. This would be easier if you used some of the standard code cracking clues such as looking for the one, two and three letter groups which would represent words like: "I," "the," "and," or "is." You might not still be able to crack the code.
4. Other standard code cracking clues are look for the most frequently used symbol in the coded message. It will probably be "e" as it is the most frequently used letter.
5. "I" and "A" are easy to decode because they appear as stand alone words.
6. But let's go back to our A Street code. If you had a second clue such as "Ace Hardware, Banana Republic, and Carl's Juniors and they were the stores numbered 100, 102, and 104 on A Street, then you might tie the two together and realize that the store numbers were the foundation of the code.
7. Let's make the code a little more difficult. Let's say that you code the store numbers with every other store on one side of the street so A would be 100, B would be 104, and C would be 106 and on down the street.
8. Let's say that we made it more difficult by skipping across the street with every third letter. So the code would be A = 100, B = 102, C = 103. This same pattern would continue throughout the alphabet.
9. AHA! You really want to hide the code so you start out with the first 13 stores on one side of the street and then the last thirteen stores would continue on down the other side of the street or instead of continuing down the street they came back of store 101 and that was the 14th letter and on up the street. This could use another clue. What do you think the clue could be? "Divide in half and repeat the process and win?"
10. If the code you are working to decode is one of the more difficult messages coded in [Cracking the Millionaire Code](#), you have to fail a lot before you succeed. That is the reason a team approach is desirable. If you have 101 people working on the code with you, then you and they are more likely to win sooner.

Note: We did not use a street and its numbered stores as one of the codes. We only used this as an illustration to show you how the mind of a coder works so you can reverse the process and decode all that which has been coded.

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Cracking these Millionaire Codes are more than a simple or difficult exercise in mind sharpening. The codes reveal great truths about Millionairing. And the process of decoding teaches some valuable lessons.

- As in business failure proceeds success.
- As in business teamwork out does solo efforts every time.
- As in business a daily plan of attack, with intuition, inspiration and persistence win.
- As in business when you are having fun, you love your life and accomplish more.

Simple but Very Helpful Decoding Checklist:

- Work one code at a time.
- Do the easy codes first.
- Check most frequently used symbol – it is probably “e.”
- Check of standalone symbols which are probably “I” and “A.”
- Check number coding – 1 = A, 2 = B, 3 = C etc.
- Check reversals such as 26 = A, 25 = B 24 = C etc.
- Check standard decoding systems: Caesar’s Shift or the Rail Fence.
- Check anything that has a standard universal list that could be the foundation for a coding system.
- Check for combinations of coding systems in one code.
- Check with your family, friends, neighbors, associates.
- Check for ways to extend your team to at least 101 people.
- Check with your kids, they see outside the box better than adults do.
- Try, try, try. Look upside down, backwards, forwards, skip around but with a pattern, but expect the pattern to be interrupted at times.
- Check for the unexpected such as a misspelled word.
- Check for the unexpected such as a decoy that is meaningless.
- Open your mind to seeing endless possibilities.
- Most important, check to see that you are having fun. The progress will come.

Enjoy cracking the codes!