

# *Grandchildren Treasure Hunt*

These simple treasure hunts are perfect to amuse a primary school child in the middle of a busy (or boring) day.

I shall be writing letters to my two small grandchildren (aged 7 and 10) each week, with challenges for them to solve each day. Some will be things like writing, drawing or puzzles. These are the Treasure Hunts. We will offer these free every week, if they are a help to any other grandparents or parents at this difficult time.

Perhaps children who do not have a grandparent to do this could have a 'fake' one? Or an aunt or uncle?

To the Parents:

Instructions for preparation before every treasure hunt:

1. Get a small stock of treats as prizes. These may just be small sweets or stickers but should be something you will not give /use at any other time.
2. Put the week's treat inside a small bag, envelope or twist of paper.
3. Copy the clues out and cut them out. Alternatively, if you'd like, print out the clues and cut them out.
4. Have Clue Number 1 ready to give your child / children to start the Treasure Hunt. You could hide it if you wish and set them your own clue to find it.
5. Change words in the clues if needed, to match your home, and insert names or affectionate nicknames you use.
6. Hide the other clues in as close a place as possible to the one described in the clue.
7. Taping clues under things is good for older children.
8. 2 Treasure Hunts could be joined into one with 10 clues and only one final treat, for older children if they are solving them too quickly.
9. Guidance for hiding clues has only been given on the 1st Treasure Hunt as I think you will be able to work it out for yourself after that.
10. Have fun with them and clap when they find clues!

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## Example with Instructions

### Clue 1:

Look under the place where you sit to watch TV,  
There's the next clue for you to see.

*Mummy/Daddy: tuck clue 2 under the cushion on the chair or sofa where your child/ children usually sit to watch TV after tea.*

### Clue 2:

Now go to the place where you clean your teeth,  
The next clue should be hiding underneath.

*Mummy/Daddy: tuck clue 3 under the cup / glass etc – whatever you keep the tooth-brushes in.*

### Clue 3:

Your clothes usually get washed inside this place,  
Check for clue 4 inside the space.

*Mummy/Daddy: If you have a washing machine, pop clue 3 inside / under lid; if not, pop it in the sink or wherever the washing is done.*

### Clue 4:

Now go and search round Mummy's bed,  
And be sure to check where she rests her head!

*Mummy: put it under your pillow? Daddy: change 'Mummy's' to 'Daddy's' and finish '... where he rests his head!' if Mummy isn't there.*

### Clue 5:

And last of all – inside your school shoe,  
Look in the wrap – there's a treat for you!

*Mummy/Daddy: be sure to pop a special small something in a little sweet bag or paper or envelope before hiding in one of their usual school shoes, along with the note below. Change 'my dear' to something you would normally use as an affectionate name.*