

# Making a Treasure Map

In this booklet you will read some instructions to show you how to make a treasure map, and some information about different kinds of clues.

In the next booklet you will read a story about a treasure hunt.

## What you need

- paper (squared or plain)
- pencil
- coloured pencils or felt tips
- tea bag, sand or dirt
- rubber
- ruler



## Before you start

You need to decide:

- what your treasure will be
- where you will hide your treasure
- what kind of paper you will use



### Useful Tip

Squared paper is great because you can use the squares to help you give directions.

## Step 1: Making your paper look old

You can make your paper look hundreds of years old like a real treasure map. There are lots of different ways to do this.

You could:

- rub sand or dirt onto the paper
- smudge pencil, crayon, chalk, ink or paint onto the paper
- wipe a wet tea bag over the paper to turn it a light brown colour
- tear the edges to shape the paper
- crumple the paper to make it look old and worn



### Useful Tip

It helps if you make your paper look old before you begin to draw your map. If you make your paper look old after drawing the map, you might spoil your work.

## Step 2: Drawing your map

Now you can draw your map. Put in details to show the places where the treasure-hunters need to search.

These could be:

- trees
- houses
- shops
- rooms and objects in your house
- things around your school and playground



### Useful Tip

The treasure-hunters need to know where to start the hunt. Remember to put a starting point and make it quite easy to find. You don't want to confuse the treasure-hunters before they have even started!

### Step 3: Writing directions

Next, you need some directions. Use the different places and objects on your map to help you write the directions.  
For example:

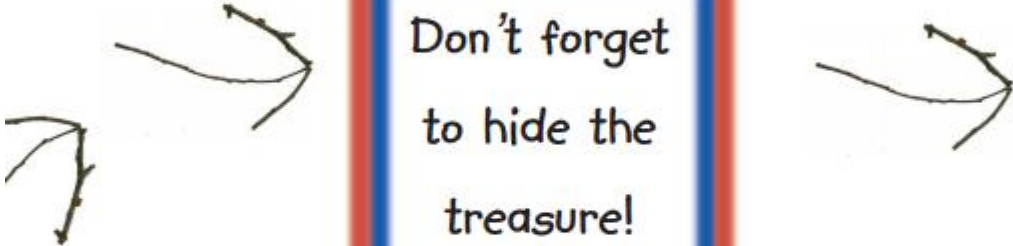
Start at the garage where the rabbit be,  
Then go to the shed and then to the tree,  
Go halfway down the hedge and past the trampoline,  
Look at the flowers by the tree - the treasure will be seen!!



## Step 4: Checking your map

Look carefully at your map to check you have not missed out any details. Try out your directions to make sure they work.

Your map is now ready to hand over to the treasure-hunters, and the hunt can begin.



Don't forget  
to hide the  
treasure!

