

# Fun activities for keeping the brain engaged - primary aged children

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## Making a treasure map

### You will need:

- ▶ Two large sheets of paper
- ▶ 1 tea bag
- ▶ Pen
- ▶ Scissors
- ▶ Something for treasure!
- ▶ Water
- ▶ Old cloth
- ▶ Bowl
- ▶ String

Wet the tea bag in a bowl of warm water. Put the cloth under the paper and sponge the mixture onto the paper. Leave to dry.

Once dry, your paper will look old and dirty - perfect for a pirate map! Now scrunch up the paper and tear all the edges. If using paper to make letters for your hunt, follow this procedure with a second piece of paper.

Time to design your map! Choose four locations in your house, like the bathroom or kitchen, or around the garden or park; then mark them on your map with a pen. Use a mindcraft / dinosaur theme... whatever you like.

If using paper for your code rip this into pieces (one for each letter of the treasure's location), e.g. six for FRIDGE.

Write a letter on each piece of paper and place 1 at each location that you have named on your map. Hide your treasure in the place the letters spell out. Tie the map with string appoint some treasure hunters and have fun!

Make your hunt more challenging by adding a code like the one below!

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	M	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	21	23	24	25	26

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