

# A Treasure Hunt - follow the clues

## For this activity you will need:

- Coloured paper or streamer
- An indoor or outside space
- Pen & paper to write your clues



## What is the learning in this activity?

**Ages:** younger 3-4y olds can follow the colour trail (or have an older person to help); pre-school or early primary ages can read the clues to work out the next step.

**Purpose:** This is a fun, exciting game to get everyone active. Children love to explore the unknown and in this game they can make their own decisions, learn to follow steps and increase language concepts - such as behind, up, high, long, under, along...

## Let's play!

1. Write your clues to suit your space at home.
2. Set out your coloured paper clue trail and finish off at a specific location or activity..
3. Examples of trail clues could include:

- Climb up me
- I help clothes dry
- I am much longer than a snake
- You can hide behind me
- I can open and shut
- Look up high



## Let's talk..

**Qs** - What is the clue asking us to think about? Where should we look next? I wonder if it is better to go slow or fast when we are searching for clues? Why? Which was the hardest/easiest clue, how could we make it harder next time, maybe we could treasure hunt by colours, shapes, objects?

**Extension** - Make up a treasure hunt map to follow with visual clues or have your child make up the clues for a parent or siblings to follow. You can increase the complexity of the clues for older children.

*We'd love to see your creations and home based play.*

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