

The Treasure Hunt

Four children are at an outdoor centre for the day. They have been given a map and told to find the hidden treasure. The first clue tells them to start at the main entrance and go south east to the woods.

Aran: How do I know which way is south east?

Kasem: Use the compass to find north. Then we can work out where south east is.

Tama: Hold the compass level!

Saburo: It must be that way. Quick, let's run.

The four children run across the field to the edge of the wood.

Aran: Where now?

Kasem: Look, hanging from that tree branch, there's a letter written on a piece of card.

Tama: What does it say?

Saburo: It's the letter 'D'. We'd better remember that.

Aran: Where now?

Kasem: Look, on the back of the letter card is the next instruction. "Go south west to find the pond."

Tama: Quick, let's run again.

The four children run across the field towards the pond.

Saburo: Slow down, I can't keep up.

Aran: Here's the next one, fastened to the gate. It's the letter 'O'.

Kasem: Where now?

Tama: On the back it says "Go north to the swings".

Saburo: Quick, let me have the compass. North is that way!

The four children run in the direction indicated by the compass needle.

Saburo: Slow down, I can't keep up.

Aran: Here's the next one, tied to the swing. It's the letter 'G'.

Kasem: First 'D', then 'O' and now 'G'.

Tama: I wonder what it means?

Kasem: Where now?



Saburo: It says on the back of the letter card to "Go north west towards the 'old well.'"

Kasem: Quick, give me the compass. If north is that way and west is that way...

Tama: Northwest must be over there.

Aran: Quick, let's run again!

The four children run in the direction of the old well.

Saburo: Slow down, I can't keep up.

Kasem: There's the old well.

Tama: And there is the next letter, 'it's an 'L'!

Aran: Where next?

Kasem: It says, "Look for the treasure in what you already have."

Tama: But we haven't got anything!

Saburo: Only those four letters.

Aran: What were they again?

Kasem: They were 'D', 'O', 'G' and 'L'.

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Section A

Choose the best word or group of words to fit the passage and put a ring around your choice.

Four children were at an outdoor centre for the day. Kasem said they must use the compass to find

1 **north** **south** **east** **west**

then they could work out where

2 **north east** **south east** **north west** **south west**

is. Hanging from the tree they found the letter

3 **D** **O** **G** **L**

on a piece of card. The next instruction said find the

4 **wood.** **pond.** **swings.** **old well.**

The second letter found was

5 **D.** **O.** **G.** **L.**

Tied to the swing they found the letter

6 **D.** **O.** **G.** **L.**

When they had collected all of the letters they had 'D', 'O', 'G' and 'L'.

Section B

1 What tools did the children have to help find the treasure?

2 In which four places did the children find the letter cards?

3 How can you use a compass to find south?

4 How did the children know where to go next after they had collected each letter?

5 How did the children know they had come to the end of the treasure hunt?

6 Saburo couldn't keep up with the other children. How do you think he felt when this happened?

7 What treasure did the children find?

Section C

Continue the playscript making up what the children do next.