
Organiser's Guide

Treasure Hunt – Princesses & Knights

For Lily

Your guide: Princess Rosalind

Age: 4–6 years

Players: 5 children

Duration: 60–90 minutes

Steps: 8 (3 riddles + 5 challenges)

At a Glance

1. Read the welcome letter to the children and give them the first activity and the map board.
2. Each riddle they solve reveals the name of a hiding place. For the challenges, you tell them the hiding place once they have completed the challenge.
3. In each hiding place, the children find a map piece + the next activity: they glue the piece onto the map board.
4. In the last hiding place, they find the last map piece (the one with the treasure chest) + the map letter.
5. They put the map back together and work out where the treasure is.
6. They go to the place marked on the map and find the treasure, the congratulations letter and their certificates!

What You'll Need

- The printed game kit (it has everything: riddles, challenges, letters, treasure map and cut-outs)
- The treasure map, cut into 8 pieces along the dotted lines
- The map board, and some glue to stick the pieces on
- The challenge cards, cut out (see the 'Cut-outs' pages of the game kit)
- The treasure to hide (sweets, small toys, etc.)
- Everything you need for the 5 challenges (details in the 'Step-by-Step Guide' section)

Tips

- If the children get stuck on a riddle, give them a clue (for example: 'the answer starts with...')
- Encourage the children to search together and help each other
- Keep an eye on the time so you can adjust the pace
- For the challenges, tick the box on the challenge sheet when the children succeed

Getting Ready (at least 30 minutes before)

- ☐ Print the game kit (from the 'Game Kit' section onwards)
- ☐ Cut the treasure map along the dotted lines (8 pieces)
- ☐ Cut out the challenge cards ('Cut-outs' pages of the game kit)
- ☐ In each hiding place, hide a map piece + the next activity:
 - ☐ In the letterbox: map piece + Riddle 2
 - ☐ Kitchen: map piece + Challenge 3
 - ☐ Under the bed: map piece + Riddle 4
 - ☐ Living room: map piece + Challenge 5
 - ☐ In the fridge: map piece + Challenge 6
 - ☐ Under the cushion: map piece + Riddle 7
 - ☐ Bedroom: map piece + Challenge 8
 - ☐ Bathroom: map piece + map letter



The map piece with the treasure chest must be hidden in the last hiding place (Bathroom).

- ☐ Put the treasure in the place marked on the map, together with the congratulations letter
- ☐ Get everything ready for the challenges (details in the 'Step-by-Step Guide' section)
- ☐ Keep the welcome letter + Challenge 1 to hand to start the hunt

Step-by-Step Guide



Welcome letter

Read the welcome letter to the children and give them the first challenge.

1. Challenge: The Rainbow Hunt

The grown-up calls out a colour, and each child brings back something in that colour.

What you'll need:

- A play area with objects in lots of different colours

Getting ready:

1. Decide which rooms or areas are allowed for the search
2. Get a list of easy colours ready to call out (red, blue, green, yellow...)

✓ Once they succeed, tell the children the name of the next hiding place: **In the letterbox**



The children go to the hiding place '**In the letterbox**' and find Riddle 2 + a map piece

2. Riddle: Rosalind's Mystery Picture

Answer: **KITCHEN** (= the next hiding place)



The children go to the hiding place '**Kitchen**' and find Challenge 3 + a map piece

3. Challenge: Animal Charades

Act out an animal so that the others can guess it.

What you'll need:

- Slips of paper with animal pictures (included, ready to cut out)
- A hat or a bowl to pick from

Getting ready:

1. Cut out the slips (see the printable sheet): each one has a picture, so children who can't read yet can play too
2. Fold the slips and put them in a hat or a bowl
3. A grown-up can whisper the animal's name in your ear
4. The children take turns

Words on the cut-out cards:

🐵 Monkey, 🐧 Penguin, 🐰 Rabbit, 🐮 Cow, 🐍 Snake, 🐷 Pig, 🦘 Kangaroo, 🐊 Crocodile, 🐻 Bear, 🐦 Bird

✓ Once they succeed, tell the children the name of the next hiding place: **Under the bed**



The children go to the hiding place '**Under the bed**' and find Riddle 4 + a map piece

4. Riddle: Rosalind's Maze

Answer: **LIVING ROOM** (= the next hiding place)



The children go to the hiding place '**Living room**' and find Challenge 5 + a map piece

5. Challenge: The Feely Bag

Guess the objects hidden in a bag just by feeling them, without looking.

What you'll need:

- A bag you can't see into (a cloth bag or a pillowcase)
- Objects to guess (as many as there are children playing)
- Optional: a blindfold, for even more mystery

Getting ready:

1. Choose objects that are easy to recognise by touch: nothing sharp or breakable
2. A few ideas: ball, spoon, toothbrush, soft toy, key, pine cone, sponge, comb
3. Put all the objects in the bag before the children arrive
4. Write down the objects so that you can check the answers

Examples and ideas:

Tennis ball, Wooden spoon, Toothbrush, Small soft toy, Key, Pine cone, Sponge, Comb, Cork, Clothes peg, Rubber, Toy figure, Seashell, Smooth pebble

- ✔ Once they succeed, tell the children the name of the next hiding place: **In the fridge**

- 📍 The children go to the hiding place '**In the fridge**' and find Challenge 6 + a map piece

6. Challenge: The Quiz

Answer questions about the theme of the adventure.

What you'll need:

- Question sheet (included in the printable kit)
- A pencil for each child or each team

Getting ready:

1. Print the question sheet (included in the kit)
2. Read the questions out loud if the children can't read them yet
3. Let the children talk it over before they answer
4. After each answer, read out the fun fact: it makes the moment even better!

Questions and answers:

1. Which girl with very long hair lives at the top of a tower?

Answer: Rapunzel

Did you know? Rapunzel is also the name of a salad plant. In the story, her mum wants it so much that her dad steals some from the witch's garden!

2. What does a princess wear on her head?

Answer: A crown (or a tiara)

Did you know? Crowns are often decorated with sparkling jewels!

3. Which magical animal looks like a white horse with a horn on its forehead?

Answer: The unicorn

Did you know? The unicorn is the animal that stands for Scotland. You can even see it on the country's royal badge, called a coat of arms!

4. What does Cinderella lose as she runs away from the ball?

Answer: A shoe (a slipper)

Did you know? The prince searches the whole kingdom for the girl whose shoe fits!

5. Where does a princess live?

Answer: In a castle (or a palace)

Did you know? Old castles had high, thick walls to protect people from their enemies!

- ✔ Once they succeed, tell the children the name of the next hiding place: **Under the cushion**

- 📍 The children go to the hiding place '**Under the cushion**' and find Riddle 7 + a map piece

Game Kit



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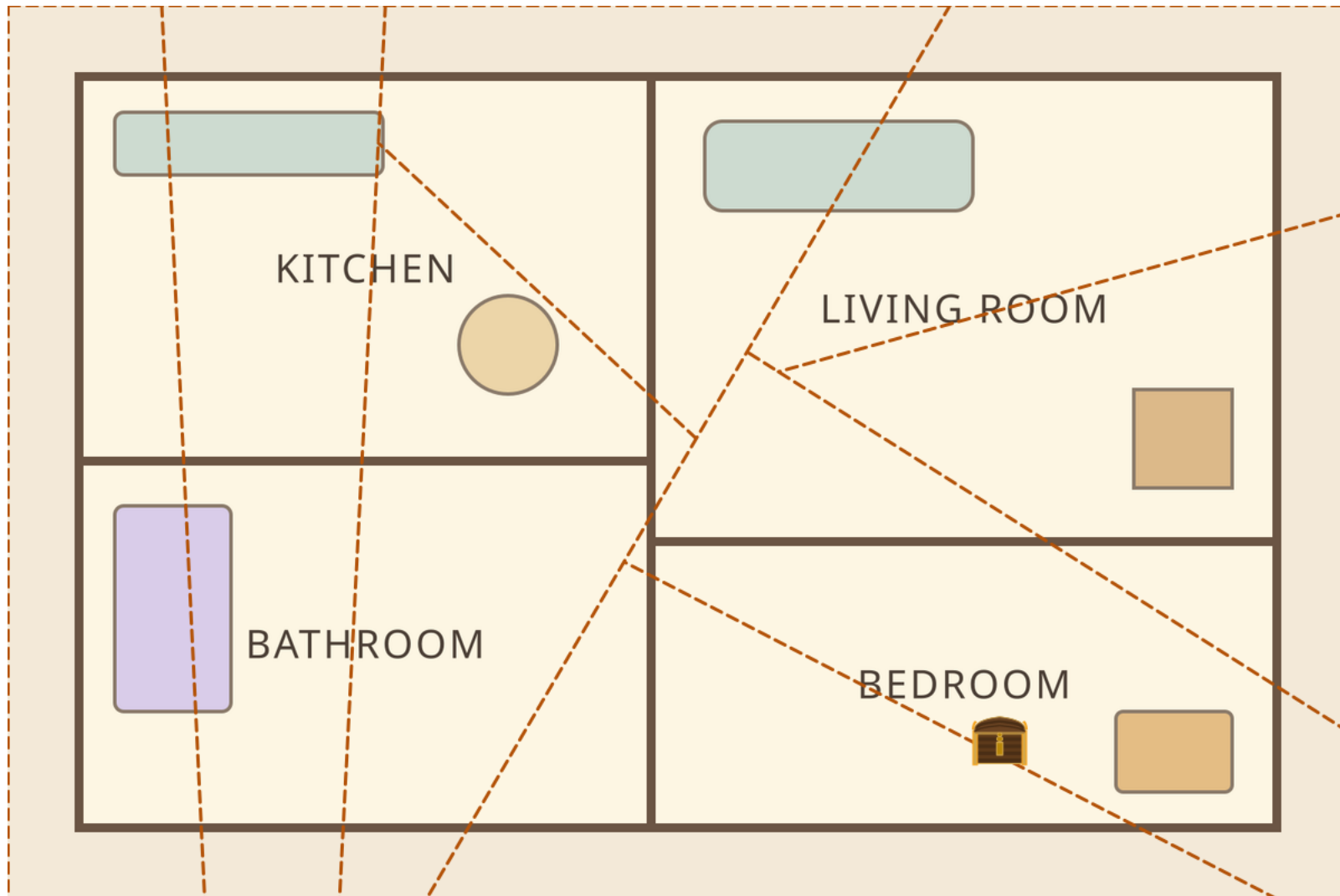
This kit has everything you need to print: the welcome letter, the riddles and challenges, the map letter, the congratulations letter, the map board and the cut-outs (treasure map and challenge cards).

Treasure Map – Cut Out

Cut out the 8 pieces along the dotted lines. Hide each piece in its hiding place (see the checklist for getting ready).



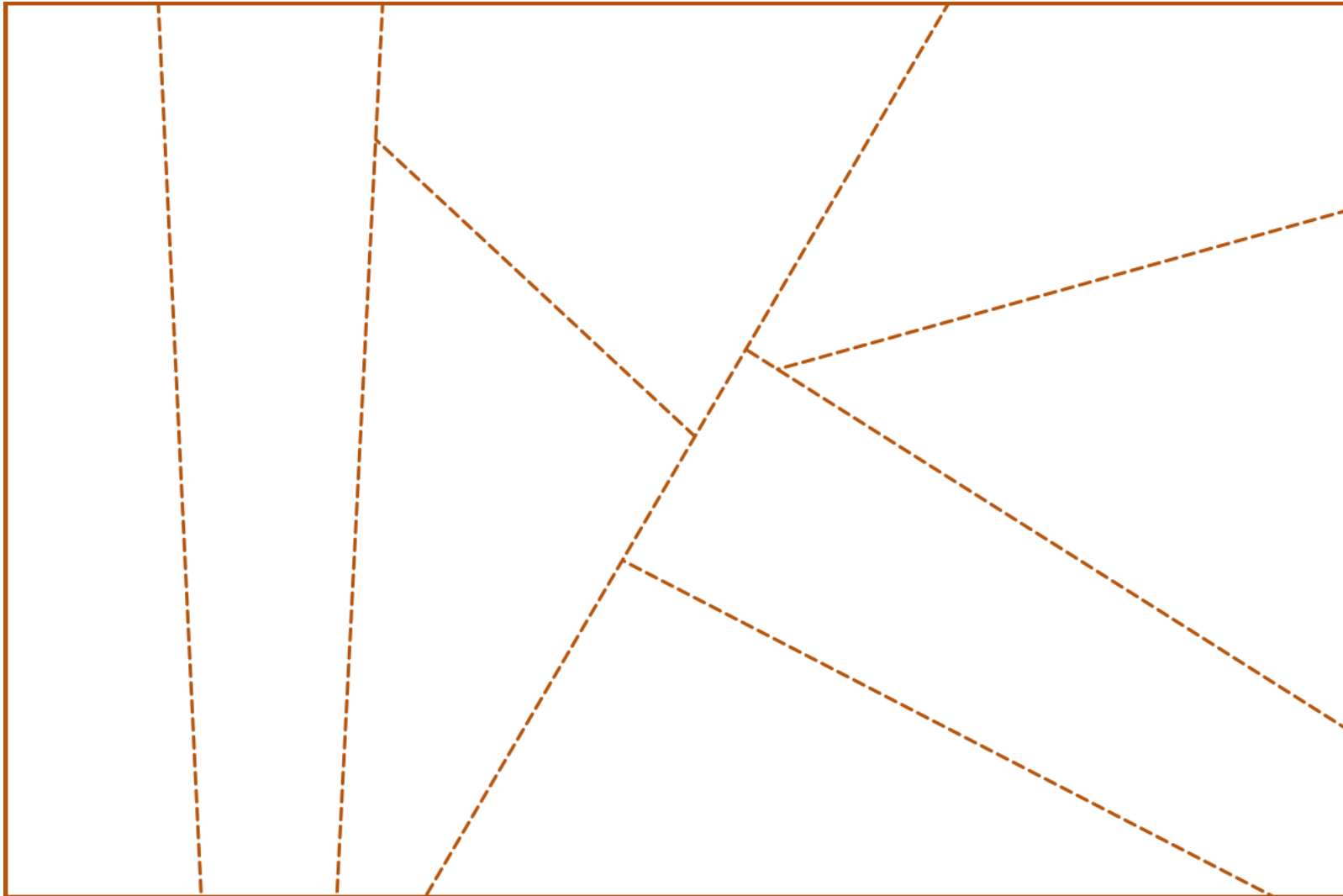
The piece with the treasure chest must be hidden in the last hiding place: Bathroom



Treasure Map Board

Glue each piece you find onto its shape. Once the map is complete, it shows where the treasure is hidden!

Give this to the children at the very start of the hunt, with some glue.



Cut-outs

Cut out the cards along the dotted lines, fold them and put them in a hat or a bowl to pick from.

Animal Charades



Monkey



Penguin



Rabbit



Cow



Snake



Pig



Kangaroo



Crocodile



Bear



Bird



Dear Lily,

I am Princess Rosalind! I have a magical mission just for you.

A treasure is hidden somewhere in the kingdom. To find it, you must solve some riddles.

I can see you've brought your friends along for this adventure. What a fine team!

Every riddle you solve will give you a piece of the magic map.

Here is your very first riddle! Solve it to win the first piece of the map!

May magic guide your steps!

Princess Rosalind

The Rainbow Hunt

Challenge 1/8

A grown-up says a colour: run and fetch something in that colour, quick as you can!

Rules:

- A grown-up says a colour
- Bring back something in the right colour: nothing sharp or breakable
- If you need help, ask a grown-up

Score sheet – The grown-up calls out a colour, and the children bring back something that colour:

No.	Colour called	Children who found one		Done
1			/ 5	☐
2			/ 5	☐
3			/ 5	☐
4			/ 5	☐
5			/ 5	☐
6			/ 5	☐
7			/ 5	☐
8			/ 5	☐
9			/ 5	☐
10			/ 5	☐



Challenge done!

The organiser ticks this box, then tells the children the next hiding place (see the guide).

Animal Charades

Challenge 3/8

Pick a slip of paper and act out the animal in the picture. You can make the animal's noise! Everyone else has to guess.

Rules:

- The actor picks a slip without showing it to anyone
- No time limit: take your time
- The challenge is complete when every animal has been guessed
- You can make the animal's noise to help
- Everyone else can shout out their guesses

Score sheet – The others guess the animal being acted out:

No.	Name	Animal guessed by the group	Right	Wrong
1	Lily		☐	☐
2	Jack		☐	☐
3	Lily		☐	☐
4	Jack		☐	☐
5	Lily		☐	☐
6	Jack		☐	☐
7	Lily		☐	☐
8	Jack		☐	☐
9	Lily		☐	☐
10	Jack		☐	☐

Score: ___ / 10



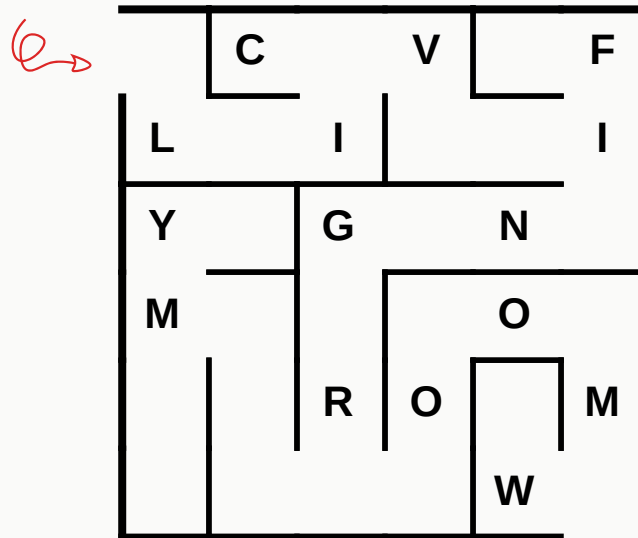
Challenge done!

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Rosalind's Maze

Riddle 4/8

Find your way through the maze from the entrance (red arrow) to the exit (bottom right). Write down the letters you pass on the way, in order!



Watch out: some letters are traps and are not on the right path!

Secret word (10 letters):

Find the secret word, then look for the map piece in that place!

The Feely Bag

Challenge 5/8

Put your hand into the feely bag and guess what you can feel, without looking! One object for each child.

Rules:

- Each child gets to feel ONE object
- The child says what they think they can feel
- The challenge is complete when at least half of the objects have been guessed
- No peeking into the bag: that's the whole mystery!
- Only one guess per object, to keep it exciting

Answer sheet – Write down what you think you touched:

No.	Child's answer (object guessed)	Right	Wrong
1		☐	☐
2		☐	☐
3		☐	☐
4		☐	☐
5		☐	☐
6		☐	☐
7		☐	☐
8		☐	☐
9		☐	☐
10		☐	☐

Score: ___ / 10



Challenge done!

The organiser ticks this box, then tells the children the next hiding place (see the guide).



**You've found all
the map pieces!**

Lily, you're nearly there!

You have found every piece of the magic map!

It's amazing what you and your team have achieved!

*Stick it back together quickly and find the enchanted
treasure!*

Princess Rosalind



Congratulations!

My dear brave adventurers,

*Well done! You have found the enchanted treasure! I am
so proud of you!*

What a lovely magical adventure!

See you soon for more enchanted adventures!

Princess Rosalind

Adventurers' Certificates

A personalised certificate for every player. Hand them out at the end of the treasure hunt to congratulate all the adventurers!



Certificate TREASURE HUNTER

Name: *Lily*

Date: *22 May 2027*

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Party Invitations

4 personalised invitations to print and hand out to your guests. Cut out each card along its edges.

