

The Treasure Map

Ah, me hearties! So yea got a pirate theme, does you now? Well I've a story that'll rip the barnacles from the sides of an old frigate. Are you goin' to an encampment, or just biding your time around the meetin' hall? Change the action story the way you want, but read it t'our youngsters t'stir their wee imaginations and get them ready for t'theme.

Key words and actions

Camp — they yell out, "Yea!"

Pirates — they raise their arms and say, "Yo Ho Ho"

Treasure — with wide eyes they say, "Ooohhh!"

Captain Bigbelly — they rub their tummy and say, "Bring more food!"

Map — they pretend they are looking at an imaginary map, and say, "Hmmm"

The story

Who went to **camp** last year?

Well, this year we're going to **camp** again, at **camp** Nemo. And indeed, this **camp** is very different from last year's. Since last year we have found out that the **camp** was once visited by **pirates** who buried their **treasure** somewhere on the grounds.

Captain Bigbelly, who drew this **map**, travelled a lot and sank many ships to get his **treasure**; since **Captain Bigbelly** and his **pirates** had a lot of **treasure**, **Captain Bigbelly** hid the **treasures** he and his **pirates** had in several places by separating the **treasure** into small parts. That way, if someone found it, the **treasure** wouldn't all be lost.

It's interesting; he hid the **treasures** in small areas and he drew each **treasure** on a **map**, drawing only one **map** for every region where he buried **treasure**. I happened to find this **map** in the attic of an old, abandoned house I was looking through near my cottage.

Knowing how old the **map** must be, I took good care of it. When I realized exactly what it was and that there was some of **Captain Bigbelly's treasure** at the same **camp** where we will be for the **camp** this year, I was quite excited. Wouldn't you be excited?

When we go to **camp**, we're going to look for the **treasure**.

So, who's going to **camp** with us?

Treasure Map Instructions

These instructions go along with the above story. One instruction goes with each Beaver group or lodge. You can use it at a camp or modify it to suit other needs. The "new treasure" was a mini-Scor bar (a chocolate bar) for each nugget.

1. All the points can be found on the map near the kitchen. Go there to find the different points on the map so that you know where to go. Be careful. There might be pirates following you to find the treasure for themselves. You must go to each point to find the gold. When you are finished, each nugget can be traded for a new treasure from Malak.

Note: If you find treasure that isn't marked on your instruction sheet, it's not for you. Leave it where it is.

- Go to the fire place near the lake
- Go to the hospital
- Go to the compass house
- Go to the little long house
- You'll find the treasure at Hike and Trip Inc. under the kitchen.

2. All the points can be found on the map near the kitchen. Go there to find the different points on the map so that you know where to go. Be careful. There might be pirates following you to find the treasure for themselves. You must go to each point to find the gold. When you are finished, each nugget can be traded for a new treasure from Malak.

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- Go to the compass house
- Go to the pay phone
- Using the map, find the Northern Light, and go get the treasure there.

3. All the points can be found on the map near the kitchen. Go there to find the different points on the map so that you know where to go. Be careful. There might be pirates following you to find the treasure for themselves. You must go to each point to find the gold. When you are finished, each nugget can be traded for a new treasure from Malak.

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- Using the map, find the Junior Parking lot and go there.
- Go to the Chief's office
- Using the map, find the Car wash and go get the treasure there.

4. All the points can be found on the map near the kitchen. Go there to find the different points on the map so that you know where to go. Be careful. There might be pirates following you to find the treasure for themselves. You must go to each point to find the gold. When you are finished, each nugget can be traded for a new treasure from Malak.

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- Go to the swimming waterfront, and then you can find the treasure at the baseball field

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- Go to the valley.
- You can find the treasure at the craft shop.

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