Treasure Hunt

This game is to help your child learn to follow short instructions that involve **first** and **last**. These are important words for your child to learn. This game is also useful for helping your child answer simple ‘what’ and ‘where’ questions.

To play this game cut out the treasure pictures attached. Before you play the game check that your child recognises all the treasure pictures.

Hide the pictures around the room.

Tell your child that you are going to play a hiding game where he or she has to listen to you to find all the treasure in the right order. Give your child clues to find things, e.g. ‘**First** look under the cushion then look behind the TV.’ When your child finds a picture ask him or her to tell you where it was found and the order the pictures were found in. You may have to remind your child to use the words **first, then** and **last**.

Next let your child be teacher and hide the pictures for you to find. You may need to remind your child to tell you where to look and the order to find them in. See if your child can spot your mistakes,

e.g. look for things in the wrong order.

**Variations:**

To make this game easier ask for pictures one at a time giving your child time to find one picture before you ask for the next one, e.g. ‘**First** find the crown.’

To make this game harder introduce before and after,
e.g. ‘**Before** you look under the cushion look behind the sofa.’
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