

Treasure Hunt

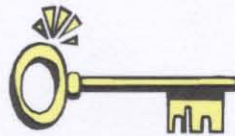
A map-based hunt with an emphasis on teamwork and camaraderie



Concept

The Treasure Hunt is a map-based puzzle that the entire team must solve. As in the workplace, smaller teams must succeed at their tasks before the entire company can reach its goal – opening the treasure-filled chest!

Derived from the Scandinavian activity of Orienteering, where participants find flags in the woods with a map and compass, the Treasure Hunt uses a custom-made map of the location (e.g. hotel, conference center, etc.), indoors and out of doors that lead the teams to trivia questions, riddles and group adventures.



The object is to find the “*key*” to the treasure-filled chest. The group soon realizes that the only way to accomplish this goal is to work together. The “*key*”, which is hidden somewhere on the property, can only be found by locating clues that are circled on their maps (a tree, a column, a statue, etc.) When assembled these clues will reveal a final riddle. The large group is divided into heterogeneous sub-groups each of whom has its own set of clues to find. Clues can be “trivial pursuit” and “Jeopardy” style questions. We can also add some questions about the company. Some clues can only be acquired when the group completes a “challenge” – a fun test of the team’s mettle. In turn, each sub-group’s immediate goal is assembling their part of the riddle. All sub-groups must work together in the final stage to find the key. The excitement builds as the entire group seeks out the key. And since all contributed to the search, all get a share of the treasure, which can be a token or memento of the seminar, possibly a T-shirt emblazoned with the current slogan of the team.

The activity can be made more physical or more cerebral depending on your needs. Typically, Treasure Hunts last several hours. However, some firms prefer a full day that centers around traditional orienteering in a local forest. While the activity is best suited out of doors, we can have alternate rain sites within your hotel or conference center.

Our very popular “Mission: Possible” Hunt is an exciting alternate theme. The team must defuse a “device” that was armed by a rival company. Complete with spies, dark glasses, code words, and a nail-biting countdown, our Mission, should you choose to accept it, will produce lasting results.

So if your team needs a fresh approach during its next seminar or retreat, try the problem-solving and group-interactive Treasure Hunt.

