



# Classroom Treasure Hunt!

*Aaah, me hearties! Set up a treasure hunt for your students ... which will have them working hard without even realising it!*

## Preparation

- Divide your class into groups of two or three students.
- Photocopy one set of each clue page and jigsaw puzzle, for every group participating.
- Cut all the puzzles into pieces, and sort them into envelopes numbered from one to nine, according to the numbering on each puzzle piece. You should end up with multiple copies of piece one of the jigsaw, in the number one envelope.
- Hide a 'treasure' under your desk for the children to find on completion of the treasure hunt (multiple packets of chocolate coins works well).
- To complete the treasure hunt, the students will need access to dictionaries, atlases and the internet.

## Method

- Provide each group with a copy of **Clue Sheet #1**, and dictionary/atlas/internet access.
- As groups complete the sheet, quickly correct their answers using the Answer Sheet.
- Once a group has answered each of the questions correctly, provide them with the first piece of the jigsaw puzzle, and **Clue Sheet #2**.
- Once a group has answered each of these questions correctly, provide them with the second piece of the jigsaw puzzle, as well as **Clue Sheet #3**.
- Allow each group to work through the clue sheets sequentially until they have all nine pieces of the jigsaw puzzle. Ask them to glue the puzzle pieces onto a new sheet of A4 paper, and bring the sheet to you in order to receive the morse code answer key featured on this page.
- Once a group has solved the page, they need to bring the sheet to you in order to write the time of completion onto the sheet. Once all groups have handed in their solutions, the first group with the correct solution can attempt to retrieve the treasure from its hidden location! Hopefully, there will be enough treasure to share with all the treasure hunters!

Letter	Morse
A	.-
B	-...
C	-.-. .
D	-..
E	.
F	..-. .
G	--.
H	....
I	..
J	.---
K	-.-
L	.-..
M	--

Letter	Morse
N	-. .
O	---
P	.-.- .
Q	---.-
R	.-. .
S	...
T	-
U	..-
V	...-
W	.-.-
X	-.-.
Y	-.--
Z	---..



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## **Clue Sheet #1**

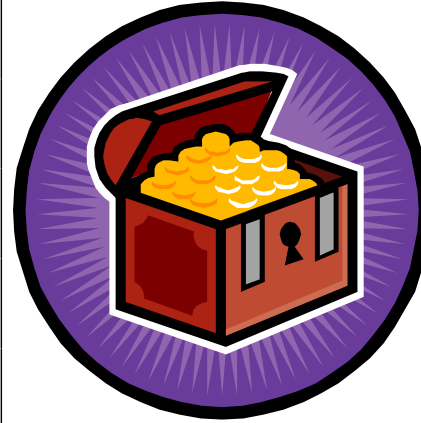
**Answer the following questions:**

1. The highest point of Australia is found on the following mountain: \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the largest lake in Cameroon?
3. What is the capital city of Cyprus?
4. What currency is used in India?
5. What is the colour of the middle triangles of the Jamaican flag?



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## **Clue Sheet #2**

**Answer the following questions:**

1. What is the name of the highest peak in Kenya (5200 m)?
2. What is the capital city of Kiribati?
3. What is the currency of Lesotho?
4. How many stripes are on the Malaysian flag?
5. In what year did the Maldives gain independence?



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## **Clue Sheet #3**

**Answer the following questions:**

1. Which two colours feature on the Maltese flag?
2. What is the capital city of Mauritius?
3. What is the name of the largest river in Mozambique?
4. Which ocean is closest to Namibia?
5. What currency is used in Pakistan?



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## **Clue Sheet #4**

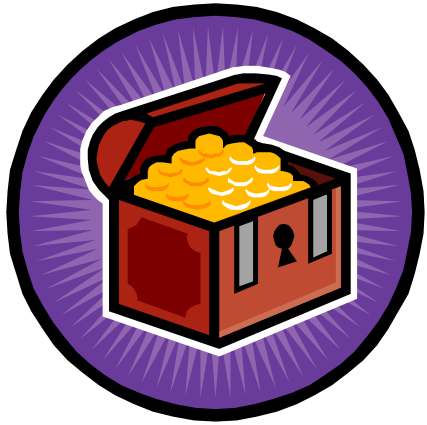
**Answer the following questions:**

1. What colours feature on the flag of Papua New Guinea?
2. What is another name for an 'explosive mountain'? V\_\_\_\_\_
3. The capital city of Sierra Leone is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. In what year did Singapore gain its independence?
5. What is the name of the highest peak in the Solomon Islands?



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## **Clue Sheet #5**

**Answer the following questions:**

1. What is the official currency of South Africa?
2. Which animal appears on the Sri Lankan flag?
3. Which country borders Swaziland on three sides?
4. What colours appear on the Tongan flag?
5. The highest peak in Trinidad and Tobago (at 940 m) is \_\_\_\_\_.

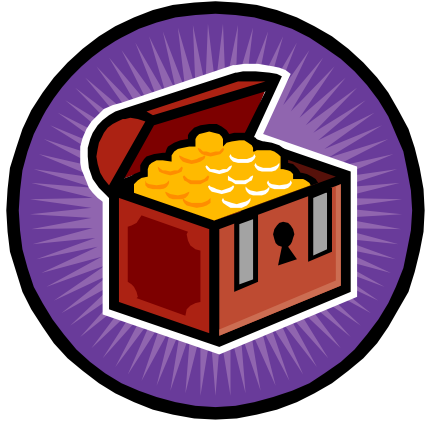


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## **Clue Sheet #6**

**Answer the following questions:**

1. What is an island made of coral called?
2. Which four colours feature on the Ugandan flag?
3. The flag of the United Kingdom features the red cross of St G \_\_\_\_\_, the red cross of St P \_\_\_\_\_ and the white cross of St A \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Which nation that is part of the United Kingdom is not represented on its flag?



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## **Clue Sheet #7**

**Answer the following questions:**

1. What was the former name of Vanuatu?
2. What type of leaves feature on the Vanuatan flag?
3. What is the capital city of Zambia?
4. What is the African name for the Victoria Falls?
5. What is the capital city of Zimbabwe?



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## **Clue Sheet #8**

**Answer the following questions:**

1. Name the two animals that feature on Australia's coat of arms.
2. What is the area of the ACT?
3. What is the animal emblem of NSW?
4. What is the floral emblem of South Australia?
5. What is the highest mountain in Western Australia?



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## Clue Sheet #9

Answer the following questions:

1. What is the highest mountain in Tasmania?
2. Which state or territory in Australia has the numbat as its animal emblem?
3. In which state or territory of Australia is Mount Zeil found?
4. Which state or territory of Australia takes up just 0.03% of Australia's land mass?
5. What is the height of Mount Woodroffe in South Australia?



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## Answer Sheet

**Sheet 1:** Mount Kosciusko, Lake Chad, Nicosia, rupee, green

**Sheet 2:** Mount Kenya, Bairiki, loti, 14 stripes, 1965

**Sheet 3:** red and white, Port Louis, Zambezi, Atlantic Ocean, rupee

**Sheet 4:** black, white, red and gold, volcano, Freetown, 1965

**Sheet 5:** rand, lion, South Africa, red and white, El Cerro del Aripo (Mt Apiro)

**Sheet 6:** atoll, red, white, black and gold, St George, St Patrick and St Andrew, Wales

**Sheet 7:** New Hebrides, namele leaves, Lusaka, Mosi-oa-tunya ('Smoke that thunders'), Harare

**Sheet 8:** kangaroo and emu, 2358 km<sup>2</sup>, platypus, Sturt's desert pea, Mount Meharry

**Sheet 9:** Mt Ossa, Western Australia, Northern Territory, ACT, 1440 m

**Morse Code Jigsaw Text:** 'It is under my desk'. (It works well to place the treasure in a plastic bag, then tape it under your desk at the front of the classroom!)



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