

Community Group Scavenger Hunt

What is a Scavenger hunt?

A Scavenger hunt is a game in which players have to run around in search of a particular article. This game can be played in teams or solo. The aim of the game is to gather as many points as possible by finding the object before the rest of the players.

Can you play a Scavenger hunt virtually over Zoom?

Yes, you can! All you need is a few things, and a good imagination to write the rules.

What do you need to play Scavenger hunt on Zoom?

Here is a small list of things you need to play a Scavenger hunt virtually:

- Pen/pencil
- A sheet of paper
- Stopwatch/countdown timer (you may use the inbuilt stopwatch on your computer)

How to write out a Scavenger hunt list

| SCAVENGER HUNT | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| ITEMS | Player 1 | Player 2 | Player 3 | Player 4 | Player 5 | Player 6 |
| Old shoebox | | | | | | |
| Empty toilet paper roll | | | | | | |
| Gloves | | | | | | |
| Dirty bowl | | | | | | |
| Wet towel | | | | | | |
| Axe deo | | | | | | |
| Mask | | | | | | |

Keep these pointers in mind while writing out the Scavenger hunt sheet.

- Keep the left side of the sheet for the list of items and the right side for the names of players and points acquired. This helps keep it organized if the list is extensive.
- The items on the list should be a mix of both challenging and easy to access. If the items are too vague, players will lose interest; while if the items are all easy to find, scoring players will become difficult.

- Being a virtual game, the list should only include household items like car keys, dirty dishes, left slipper.
- Keep in mind, that depending on where you live, the items in a household would vary. Make sure you are inclusive of items possibly found in all the players' houses.

Rules for Scavenger hunt on Zoom

- All players must be touching their computer before each round begins. This makes for a fair playing field. For example, if a player is standing far from the webcam, they could reach an item faster than the others.
- The host calls out the first item on the list and starts the preset countdown.
- The players must rush to find the item in their house and bring it to the webcam before the timer runs out.
- Once the countdown ends, all players must come back to the starting position, irrespective of if they found the item or not.
- The host then writes down the points won by each player, next to the item.

Keep Scores in Scavenger hunt on Zoom

Since the idea of the game is to see who can locate and bring items the fastest, the point system is based on who reaches first.

- The first player to reach their screen with the correct item wins 3 points.
- The second player to arrive with the correct item wins 2 points.
- The players who find the item within the time period but did not arrive first or second, receive 1 point.
- The rest of the players (who did not find the item, or found the item after the time was up) receive 0 points.
- At the end of the game, the host adds up each player's total, and the player with the highest score wins!