Your Christmas picture hunt

Spot, point or describe. Leave objects where they are. Draw a replacement if something is missing. You can choose just four pictures.

Star

A pointed star shape

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Tree

A Christmas tree or a picture of one

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Card

A greeting card

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Sock

A stocking or an ordinary sock

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Bow

A bow drawn on paper or on a parcel

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Snowman

A snowman picture

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Book

A book you could share

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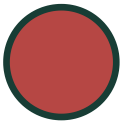

Something red

Choose any red object you can see

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An adult stays with the group. No climbing, touching lights or taking tree decorations. Keep cut paper and small materials with the adult. Use pictures on a table for a seated game.

Your indoor clue cards

Adult: use the placement sheet before play. Hand card 1 to the players. Keep the answer sheet yourself.

Card 1

I hold the stories you choose to read. Find a shelf with a book you need.

Card 2

When outside shoes come off our feet, this is the place where pairs can meet.

Card 3

We sit together for a chat. Look by a cushion, just like that.

Card 4

Pictures and messages stand in a row. Near a greeting card is where to go.

Card 5

We gather here to draw or eat. Look on the table by a seat.

Card 6

When we go out, I keep you warm. Look by a coat, away from harm.

Card 7

I show you outside, but stay right here. A picture by the window brings you near.

Card 8

The last little stop is close to you. Find the place with a towel in view.

Adults handle cutting. Use reachable places, stay together and finish early if anyone has had enough.

Answers and adult setup

ADULT COPY: the answer to each clue is where the next card goes. Keep card 1 in your hand.

Card	Answer	Place next
1	Book shelf	Card 2
2	Shoe place	Card 3
3	Sofa cushion	Card 4
4	Christmas card	Card 5
5	Table	Card 6
6	Coat place	Card 7
7	Window picture	Card 8
8	Towel place	Finish item / note

Place the cards and finish

1. **Card 2:** On a reachable book shelf, beside a book. Never require climbing.
2. **Card 3:** Beside the shoes in a clear hallway; keep the exit clear.
3. **Card 4:** Beside a loose sofa cushion; never inside moving furniture.
4. **Card 5:** Beside a reachable Christmas card. Use a drawn card if none are displayed.
5. **Card 6:** On a clear table within easy reach, away from hot food and candles.
6. **Card 7:** Beside a coat on a low hook or laid on a chair; do not use a high rail.
7. **Card 8:** Beside a paper picture on a low surface near a closed window; never on a sill to climb.
8. **Finish item / note:** Beside a towel laid on a dry chair or shelf. Keep the hunt out of the bath and shower.

Check before play

Work backwards from the finish. Walk the whole route yourself, checking that each answer leads to the next numbered card. Use a book, drawing or game-choice note at the finish; a bought prize is optional.

For four clues: use cards 1–4. Put the finish beside the Christmas card and do not hide cards 5–8.

No climbing, appliances, sockets, stairs, flames, medicines or cleaning products. Keep the window closed and put its picture on a reachable surface. Put the towel on a dry chair or shelf; do not send children to search the bath or shower. An adult stays with the group.

Christmas lights spotting

Spot from a public pavement or permitted path, with an adult. One display can tick more than one box. You do not have to find everything.

A star shape in a display

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

A tree in a window

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

A wreath or festive door picture

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

A snowman decoration or picture

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

A bow on a display

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

Lights in two different colours

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

Something sparkling

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

A festive animal decoration

Point or describe when you spot it. ☐

An adult chooses the route and handles crossings. Stay together; do not enter gardens or touch lights. Leave plants and wildlife alone. A daylight walk or window-spotting game works too. Stop when the group wants to finish.