



# Virtual Scavenger Hunt

## Practical informations

**Duration** : 30 - 45 minutes

**Number of participants** : 20 - 30 people

**Number of facilitators** : 2

**Equipment** : Computers (depending on the number of participants) with access to Zoom, Microsoft Teams or Google Meet platforms and an internet connection

## Animation goals

Sum-up of the content: A virtual scavenger hunt is a fantastic way to engage participants, especially young people, in a fun and interactive manner. Here's a more detailed guide on how to create and execute a virtual scavenger hunt, including task ideas and tips for sharing via webcam. It is an online game where participants are given a list of items or tasks to find or complete within a certain time frame. Participants use their own environments to find these items or complete tasks, and then share their findings via video conferencing tools like Zoom, Microsoft Teams, or Google Meet.

## Animation summary

### Steps to Create a Virtual Scavenger Hunt

1. Choose a Platform: Select a video conferencing tool that all participants can access. Popular choices include Zoom, Microsoft Teams, and Google Meet.
2. Set a Theme or Topic: Decide on a central theme or topic for the scavenger hunt. This could be educational, seasonal, or just for fun. For example:
  - Educational: Science, history, literature.
  - Seasonal: Halloween, Christmas, Earth Day.
  - Fun: Favorite movies, superheroes, hobbies.
3. Create a List of Tasks: Develop a list of items or challenges that participants need to find or complete. Ensure these tasks are related to your theme and can be easily found or done at home. Here are some examples:
  - Find an Object: "Find something in your house that starts with the letter 'E' and explain why you chose it."
  - Solve a Puzzle: "Solve this riddle: I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with the wind. What am I?"



- Create Something: “Draw a picture of your favorite animal and show it to the group.”
  - Perform an Action: “Do a short dance or sing a song related to our theme and share it via webcam.”
  - Research and Share: “Find an interesting fact about space and share it with the group.”
4. **Set Clear Instructions:** Provide clear instructions on how participants should complete the tasks and share their findings. For example, they might need to:
    - Take a photo of the item and upload it.
    - Record a short video explaining their solution.
    - Share their screen to show a completed digital task.
  5. **Encourage Creativity:** Allow participants to be creative in how they interpret and complete the tasks. This can make the scavenger hunt more engaging and fun.
  6. **Provide Feedback and Rewards:** Give positive feedback and consider offering small rewards or recognition for creative or well-done tasks. This can motivate participants and make the experience more enjoyable.

#### *Example Tasks for a Virtual Scavenger Hunt*

1. *Find an Object:* “Find something in your house that starts with the letter ‘E’ and explain why you chose it.”
2. *Solve a Puzzle:* “Solve this riddle: I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with the wind. What am I?”
3. *Create Something:* “Draw a picture of your favorite animal and show it to the group.”
4. *Perform an Action:* “Do a short dance or sing a song related to our theme and share it via webcam.”
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### Tips for Success

- **Keep It Short and Simple:** Since the audience is young and possibly unaware of the topic, keep tasks simple and easy to understand.
- **Be Flexible:** Be prepared to adapt tasks based on participants’ feedback and circumstances, such as technical issues or time constraints.
- **Make It Fun:** The primary goal is to engage and entertain, so ensure the tasks are enjoyable and not too challenging.

### Benefits of a virtual scavenger Hunt

- **Engagement:** Keeps participants actively involved and engaged.
- **Learning:** Can be educational and informative, depending on the theme.
- **Social Interaction:** Encourages social interaction and teamwork, even in a virtual setting.



- Creativity: Allows participants to express their creativity and think outside the box.

By following these steps and tips, you can create an engaging and educational virtual scavenger hunt that participants will enjoy and remember.