



You Tell the Story – Advanced

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THE TREASURE HUNT

One sunny afternoon, sister Sharlott and brother Thomas were playing in the attic, when they found an old, rolled-up map hidden inside a dirty box.

Excited, they unrolled it and saw strange lines, a big red X, and note that said, "Follow the way, and treasure you shall find!"

"This must be a real treasure map!" Thomas said.

"Let's go find it!" Sharlott shouted.

They packed a small bag with snacks and set off on their adventure.



They map led them trough the garden, across a tiny stream, and into the forest behind their house. Along the way, they found little clues-painted rocks, a rope swing, and even a wooden sign pointing to the next step.

Finally, after following the map for what felt like hours, they reached a large tree. Their parents were waiting there with a big basket of delicious food.

"But ... where is the treasure?" Thomas asked, confused.

Their mom laughed and held up the map. "I made this for us! The real treasure is time spent together as a family."

Sharlott and Thomas smiled. Maybe gold and jewels were exciting, but nothing was better than a surprise picnic with their family.