

Space to Create!

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Connections Across the Generations

Hidden Spaces

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We are going to explore the hidden spaces and overlooked things around your homes.

For this activity you'll need some paper, pens or pencils, crayons or chalk, scissors and a box, tube or some kind of container. (You could also use a camera and printer if you have one).

You can get your whole family involved.

1. Firstly try to draw a 'floor plan' or 'map' of your home, so try to remember where each room is, in the right order!
2. Then start to explore your home, looking closely at details or hidden spaces, like you're a detective. If you find something interesting try to record it somehow, so create a drawing, make a rubbing, write a description or take a picture of it.
3. Then place a mark on your map where it was found! You could try to find at least two things in each room.
4. When you have finished, place all your 'recordings' along with your marked out map into a box or container, creating a sort of 'time capsule' of your home on that day.
5. You can swap your capsule with family members (you can do this even if you're living in separate homes). Then go on a 'treasure hunt' around the maps to see if you can match the 'recordings' (the drawings, rubbings, photos or descriptions) to the marks on the map to try to work out where they were found. You might find things you've never noticed or be reminded of the things you know and love around your homes.
6. It might also be a nice way to remember what things are in and around your friend's or family's homes too. So you could swap capsules in the post!