

## EPISODE ACTIVITY

# UNDERCOVER BIRTHDAY



### GIVE IT A LISTEN!



Season 4, Episode 8  
Undercover Birthday/  
Trapped in a Basketball

#### What's This Activity About?

Come up with a secret spy message where the reader's mission is to guess the location you're writing about.

#### What Stuff Do I Need?

Paper and something to write with!



In the story "Undercover Birthday" by a 9 year-old from Ohio named Isaiah, a spy throws a secret "undercover" birthday party. We wondered what else you could do to use your spy skills at a birthday party, and we decided: what if you had to figure out some mysterious clues to even find out where the party is being held?



Check out the Spy Party Invitation on the next page, and see if your spy skills can help you guess where the party is happening!

Did you read it? Did you guess?? Now make your own Spy Party Invitation! You can print out the invitation we made, or just draw your own! Give the reader clues about where to find your party by following these steps:

1

Pick a Setting. Where do you want the party to take place? A movie theater? An amusement park? The beach? A carwash? A spooky castle? It's up to you!

2

Use your five senses to think of clues! What do you see there? What do you hear, smell, feel, or even taste there? These details will be great clues to help your reader guess where the party is happening.

3

Write down directions. Tell your reader what objects or landmarks to look for, and where to go next to get to the exact spot where your party is taking place. For example, if your party is at the beach, where exactly is it at the beach? Do you need to walk over a dune? Find something buried in the sand? Run through a frisbee game? Follow the smell of salty water to a hidden cove?

4

Stay secretive! As you describe the place, be sure not to say the exact name of where you are! Just keep using your 5 senses as clues so the reader has to guess.

We can't wait to see what you come up with!

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Name:



# SPY PARTY INVITATION

TO: SITTING CAT  
FROM: YELLOW UKULELE

**FOLLOW THE CLUES TO FIND MY PARTY. WHERE DO YOU THINK IT IS?**



**YOU WILL HAVE TO BUY A TICKET AT THE FRONT TO GET IN. IF IT IS A SUNNY, WARM DAY, THERE MAY BE A LINE, BUT IF IT IS RAINING, YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET IN QUICKLY. THERE WILL BE A KIOSK NEAR THE GIFT SHOP AT THE FRONT WITH MAPS.**

**OPEN THE MAP AND FOLLOW THE PATH PAST THE ROARS OF THE LION ENCLOSURE AND THE SQUAWKING OF THE TROPICAL BIRD HABITAT. RESIST THE SMELL OF FRENCH FRIES AT THE TIGER CAFE, AND MEET ME INSIDE THE HERPETARIUM, WHERE THE SNAKES AND AMPHIBIANS ARE. THE PARTY IS BY THE TANK CONTAINING THE GIANT BOA CONSTRICTOR.**

TO:  
FROM:

**FOLLOW THE CLUES TO FIND MY PARTY. WHERE DO YOU THINK IT IS?**



ANSWER: ZOO

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