

WIDE GAMES 1

A Wide Game is a game usually played in the outdoors over a wide area. It involves a variety of skills and activities and is based on a story line or theme. Follow clues and enjoy the intrigue, suspense and adventure of a Wide Game. Follow the steps below and enjoy making up your own Wide Game.



HOW DO I WRITE A WIDE GAME?

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FIRST CHOOSE A THEME OR A STORY

The Theme or Story-line of a Wide Game is the most important feature as it gives the game a purpose. It also allows for you, the creator, to have as much freedom as you like when writing... it's your story that will come to life so be limited only by your imagination. For example: Myths and legends, a current event, use stuffed animals to create your own characters, well known fairy tales.....

CHOOSE ACTIVITIES

For the players to remain interested, they need to have things to do so that they can be active participants in your story. These activities are usually set out over the trail and can involve anything from singing on a street corner to deciphering codes to building time machines. Within your own story ANYTHING GOES!!!!

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CHOOSE YOUR COURSE

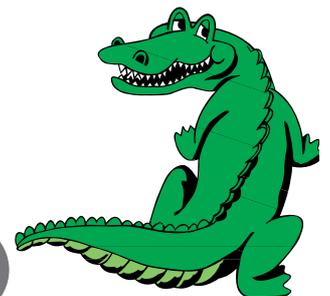
Decide the area in which your game will take place as this will determine where your clues/checkpoints/activities will be positioned. Also consider the time involved - a good wide game will usually take approximately 1 - 2 hours, so activities need to be spread out. If possible within the area, it is a good idea to arrange things so that girls cannot see what other patrols are doing, so that every patrol can become completely involved in the story.

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WRITE YOUR CLUES

Now that the game is completely mapped out in your head, start to compose your story and clues. When writing, again be as imaginative as you can...write the story in rhyme...write clues in code... write the story in song... there are No rules - just be creative, challenge the girls and have FUN!!!

The more fun you have writing and piecing together the game, the more fun the girls will have playing it!



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