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Türkiye Challenge



Grab your passport and jet set to Türkiye!

Explore Turkish culture, traditions, taste the food and maybe pick up a phrase or two as you adventure your way across the globe.

For even more programme ideas check out our 'Türkiye' board over on www.Pinterest.com/PawprintFamily

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Meet the FAMILY

Hi there! We're Charlotte & Jamie, the husband and wife team behind the Pawprint Family and we believe in #AdventureForAll.

It's our mission to help leaders, teachers and parents save time by providing ideas and opportunities to help them deliver everyday adventure and skills for life. We do this through our family of brands; find out more below and head to the website for your next adventure!



PAWPRINT BADGES

Pawprint Badges provides thousands of free activity ideas and resources to help leaders, teachers and parents deliver fun and adventure.

Every activity helps you share skills for life and is linked to one of our pawesome embroidered badges. Build your collection and celebrate adventures, new skills and knowledge gained.

PAWPRINT TRAILS

Pawprint Trails are treasure-hunt style walks around locations in the UK. Solve puzzles, track down the answers and explore everything our great country has to offer.

From historical sights to popular culture discover something new or rediscover a love for where you live then collect the badge to remember your adventures!

Whether you're looking for the perfect addition to your next family holiday or a few hours of fun with friends; each trail can be completed in a few hours or extended with our activity suggestions in to a weekend or a week's worth of fun!

PAWPRINT TALES

Pawprint Tales are fully illustrated stories that can be enjoyed by the whole family. Join Alfie (our fox-red Labrador) on his adventures around the UK - solving puzzles, turning detective and making new friends. With twists and turns, every tale is an opportunity to discover new places, people and history without needing to leave the comfort of your own home.

Enjoy Pawprint Tales alongside your Pawprint Trails or as a standalone adventure!

PAWPRINT TRUST

Every brand in the Pawprint Family supports the Pawprint Trust with a percentage of profits from every sale providing grants to young people. We're passionate about enabling young people to access life changing adventures.

Share your adventures and join us over on our social channels for even more adventures and a nosy behind the scenes at Pawprint HQ!



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HOW TO: Use Your Challenge Pack



This Challenge Pack has been divided into 4 sections: Craft, Food, Games and Other. In order to help you provide a balanced and varied programme for your young adventurers we recommend that the following number of activities are completed by each age group:

Age 3 - 5						
Age 5 - 7		Craft	Food	Games	Other	PICK
Age 7 - 11	+					
Age 11 - 14	+					
Age 14 - 18	+					
Age 18+	+					

Leaders, Teachers & Parents
Award yourselves a badge for supporting your young adventurers in their activities!

TOP TIPS

- Adapt activities as necessary to meet your needs.
- Add your own activity ideas or develop them into projects.
- Use what you have; don't buy in lots of new materials/equipment.
- No need to send us evidence, responsible grown-ups decide when the badge has been earned.
- One challenge badge can take as long as you like; from a few hours to days or even a full term!

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Craft

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- 📍 Türkiye is one of the most earthquake prone areas of the world and is part of what is known as the 'Ring of Fire'. Find out how earthquakes happen and what we can do to keep ourselves safe if we were to ever experience one. Use your research to create an informative poster.
- 📍 Craft a tulip using coloured card or paper.

Why?

The national flower of Turkey is the tulip. They were very important during the Ottoman Empire and became a symbol of happiness, beauty, and good fortune.

- 📍 Draw a picture of Türkiye's national animal, the grey wolf.
- 📍 Ebru, or Turkish marbling, is a traditional art that started during the Ottoman Empire. Try it for yourself by swirling colourful paints on water to create magical, marble-like patterns on paper.
- 📍 Make a model of the Blue Mosque in Istanbul out of junk model materials.
- 📍 Use our free resource to design your own Turkish style patterned tile.
- 📍 Use blue and white beads to create a bracelet, necklace, or keyring inspired by the Turkish evil eye.

What?

The Turkish evil eye, called nazar boncuğu, is a blue and white eye-shaped symbol that many people believe protects against negative energy. These charms are often seen hanging in homes, workplaces, schools, or even worn as jewellery across Türkiye.

- 📍 Create a paper doll with a cone-shaped skirt that spins, inspired by the Whirling Dervishes of Türkiye, who spin in a traditional dance.
- 📍 Cappadocia in central Türkiye is famous for its colourful hot air balloons that soar over beautiful rock landscapes. Make a papier-mâché hot air balloon.
- 📍 Turkish ice cream doesn't melt in the same way that other types of ice cream does. This is due to salep (a wild orchid root) and mastic which gives it a unique, chewy texture. Make your own slime inspired by Turkish ice cream, which resembles its stretchiness.
- 📍 The word 'turquoise' comes from the French word 'turquois' which means 'Turkish'. Paint a picture using only the colour turquoise.



Food

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- 📍 Did you know that Turkish people enjoy more cups of tea than any other country in the world? Taste test some different types of tea.
- 📍 Turkish Delight is a sweet made from starch and sugar that is most popularly flavoured with rosewater. Make or try some for yourself.

Did you know?

The Guinness World record for the longest Turkish Delight is 114.70m and was achieved in Turkey on the 27th of September 2024. The Guinness World record for the largest Turkish Delight is 3.21 tonnes and was made by Real Turkish Delight in Auburn, Australia on the 7th of April 2005.

- 📍 Have a go at making your own baklava, a traditional sweet treat that is enjoyed in Türkiye.
- 📍 Whip up something different for breakfast or brunch by making some menemen, a traditional Turkish dish of scrambled eggs with tomatoes, onions, and peppers.
- 📍 Make the national drink of Türkiye, Ayran.

How?

Add 400g of natural yogurt, 500ml cold water and a pinch of salt to a blender. Blend together for around 10-20 seconds or until combined and frothy. You could also add a handful of ice cubes, fresh mint leaves, cucumber or a pinch of black pepper before blending for a slightly different flavour!

- 📍 Turkish coffee is prepared different from most other types of coffee. Instead of being brewed in a machine, it is traditionally heated in a small pot placed in a pan of hot sand. Watch a video to see for yourself how it is made.
- 📍 Doner kebab is one of Türkiye's most popular dishes. Find a recipe and make your own version of this at home. It is traditionally made with meat but you can also find many delicious vegetarian and vegan alternatives online.
- 📍 Türkiye is the world's largest hazelnut producer in the world. Create a recipe that features hazelnuts as one of the main ingredients, or enjoy a treat made with the popular hazelnut spread. If working in a group, always remember to check for nut allergies.
- 📍 Visit a Turkish restaurant and try some traditional dishes such as lahmacun, dolma, börek or manti.



Games

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- 📍 Soccer is the most popular sport in Türkiye. There are three popular teams in Istanbul that are known as the 'Big Three' which are Beşiktaş, Galatasaray and Fenerbahçe. Take part in a game of soccer (football as we know it here) or arrange a tournament with family or friends.
- 📍 Print or draw some pictures of Turkish landmarks and use them to create your own snap or bingo cards.
- 📍 Saklambac is a popular game in Türkiye and is the same as the hide and seek we all know and love. Take part in a game.
- 📍 Play a game of Mendil Kapmaca.

What?

Mendil Kapmaca means 'Grabbing the Handkerchief' in English. To play, split into two teams and place a handkerchief in the middle. One player from each team must try and grab it and run back to their team without being tagged.

- 📍 In many cafés in Türkiye, you will find tables with a backgammon set, known as Tavla. It's a fun and social game that people have enjoyed playing in Türkiye for generations. Challenge a friend or family member to this classic Turkish game.
- 📍 Pide is a popular Turkish food that looks a bit like a little canoe! Try some fun canoe games, either on water or using pretend canoes on land. Always remember to stay safe; water games should always be supervised by an adult, and everyone taking part should follow safety rules.
- 📍 Love Valley is a famous valley in Cappadocia. Have a game of Cupid's Arrow.

How?

Create a concentric, heart-shaped target (think archery target but heart shaped). Allocate points for each of the zones or, if you like, give them different loved-up terms, i.e. affection, appreciation, friendship, soul mates. Take it in turns to throw bean-bags (cupid's arrows) on to the target to score points. The closer you get to the centre the better your score.

- 📍 Yakantop, which means dodgeball in English, is a popular playground game in Türkiye, played with a soft ball. Split into teams and see who can dodge, catch, and throw the fastest in this exciting head-to-head game.
- 📍 Enjoy a game of blind man's buff, or körebe as it's known in Türkiye.



Other

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- 📍 Coffee houses are said to have originated in the Ottoman Empire with the earliest known example located in Istanbul, Türkiye. Many people socialised and played games. Visit a coffee shop and enjoy playing a board game with friends or family.
- 📍 Türkiye is listed as the 5th most visited country, according to Forbes. Make a list of all the things you think are making people want to visit Türkiye.
- 📍 Mount Ararat is the tallest mountain in Türkiye, rising over 16,000ft above sea level. It also has a religious significance, as it is traditionally believed to be the resting place of Noah's Ark after the great flood described in the Book of Genesis in the bible. Read the story of Noah's Ark.
- 📍 The world's tallest man and woman are both from Türkiye. Find out some interesting facts about them such as how tall they are, when they were born, and what their daily lives are like.
- 📍 Practice some Turkish to get ready for your next adventure. Why not learn how to say 'Hello', 'Goodbye', and how to count to ten to get you started?
- 📍 Make a timeline to learn more about the history of Türkiye.
- 📍 Host an event to celebrate Türkiye's national day on the 29th of October.
- 📍 Listen to some traditional Turkish folk music. Can you spot any instruments that are new to you?
- 📍 Visit a library to find out more about Turkish architecture or famous buildings like Hagia Sophia, the Blue Mosque, or Topkapi Palace. Learn about their shapes, colours, patterns, and what makes them so unique.
- 📍 Watch a documentary based on Türkiye.
- 📍 Research animals and plants native to Türkiye, such as the Anatolian leopard, grey wolf, or sea turtles. Create your own mini guide to share your findings with friends or family.
- 📍 Learn the traditional Turkish dance of halay. This is often referred to as the national dance of Türkiye and is a high-energy folk dance.
- 📍 "*I came, I saw, I conquered.*" is a famous quote from Julia Caesar after a victory at the Battle of Zela (47BC) in Türkiye. Find out more about this historical event and act out the story.

Adventure Complete?

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