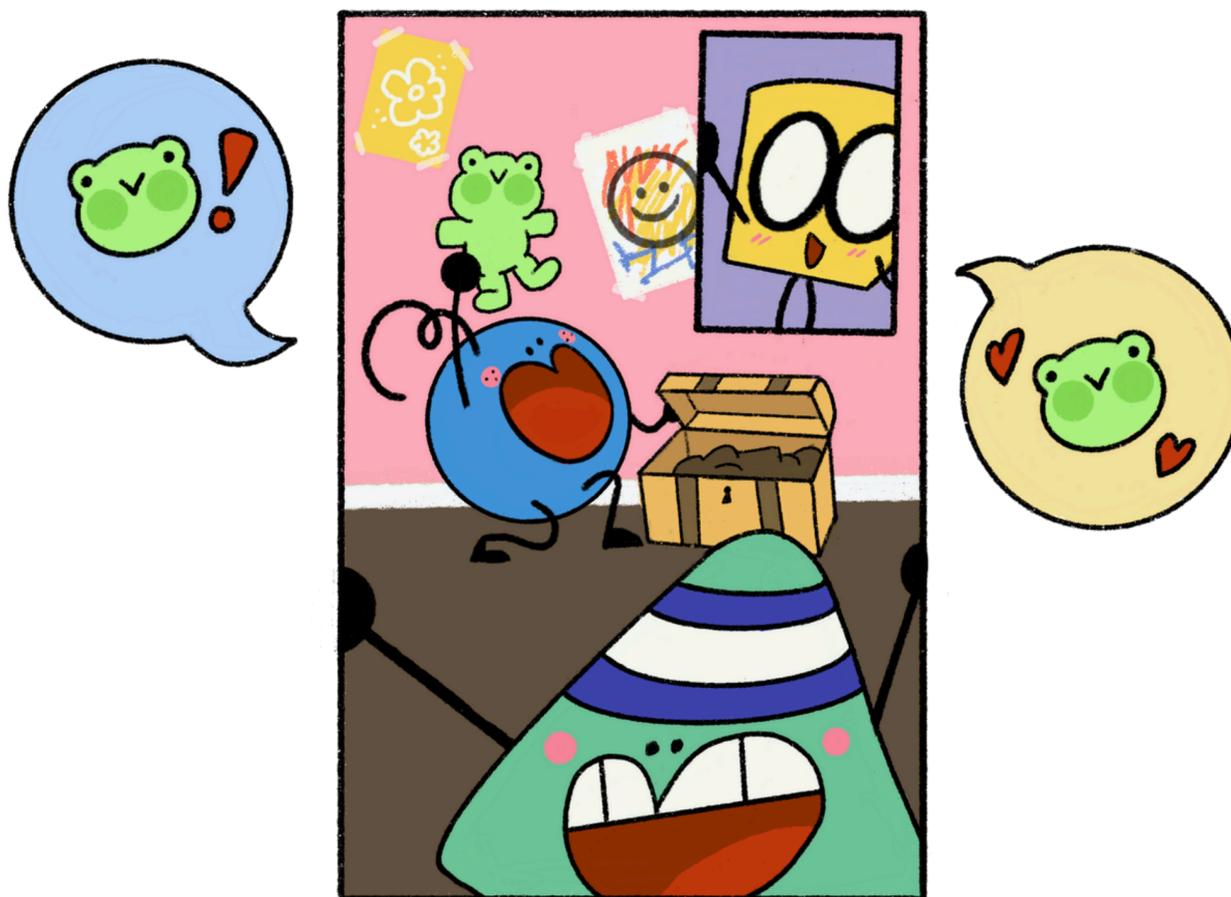


TOYBOX



Virtual Scavenger Hunt

Play dates from a distance

Goal: Set up an opportunity for bonding time with your children’s friends and family over video chat/phone by arranging a virtual scavenger hunt in your homes.

[Tip]: You can coordinate with each household to create a scavenger hunt involving clues that children have to solve (for example, “Your next clue is hidden under your favourite toy - after you find the clue, tell a short story about why this toy is your all time favourite”) or by having children come up with ideas like “Find something in your house you’ve had for over 5 years and tell me how you got it”

Why is this important? Phone calls, or free video chat apps, if your home has a reliable Internet connection, are a fun way to stay connected and practice social skills with friends and family during times of social distancing or even when managing busy schedules.

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