

“Once upon a time, words began to vanish from the language of children...”

Take a walk around St Helen's Wood to help us find them so they aren't lost forever!

Eight local words from Hastings and Sussex are hiding around the wood. Hunt them down, find out what they mean and write them in the spaces on the reverse. See if you can answer the questions as you go!

When you have found the words in the wood, we want you to find them in the wordsearch too! Complete the wordsearch to get a free book!*

The word hunt is open until the end of the 2019 school summer holidays.

Top tips for families

Walk and talk. Chat with your child about what you see on the trail. Ask open-ended questions so that the answer is not just a yes or a no.

Introduce new words into the conversation. When you use a new word, explain what it means. If your child is interested, encourage them to do some research about the word when they get home.

Talk about the day on your way home. Ask your child which part of the trail they enjoyed the most and what their favourite new word is.

This trail is inspired by the Lost Words Trail in Hastings and is brought to you by **Get Hastings Reading**, a campaign from the National Literacy Trust and the Hastings Opportunity Area.

Find out more at gethastingsreading.org.uk.

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Finished the word hunt and the wordsearch? Fill in the below and hand in to the North East Hastings Health & Wellbeing hub below to receive a free book.*

Parent/carer's name: _____ **Age of child(ren):** _____

Email address: _____ **Postcode:** _____

* To receive a free book, hand your map in to **Education Futures Trust, The Firs, Elphinstone Road, Hastings, TN34 2AX** by 09/09/19. Books are subject to availability and limited to one book per child. Email gethastingsreading@literacytrust.org.uk for further information. T&Cs apply.

Add in the words you found on the word hunt in the spaces below, then find them in the wordsearch.

The secret word you unscrambled is in the wordsearch too! Find it and you can get a free book!*

- 1. _____ 5. _____
- 2. _____ 6. _____
- 3. _____ 7. _____
- 4. _____ 8. _____

Secret word from word hunt:



ST HELEN'S WOOD WORD HUNT

Can your family find the words hidden around the wood?

Complete the word hunt and wordsearch and you could win a prize!

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1.

This is an old word for where ships land – can you name three stories with ships in them?



2.

This word is a green bird! Can you think of any more green animals and insects?



3.

This word means a sudden gale – can you think of three words or phrases that have a similar meaning?



4.

A superhero is named after this flying animal – can you list three more superheroes with animals or insects in their name?



Unscramble the letters in the boxes to create a new seven-letter word. Find it in the wordsearch and you can win a free book!

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5.

This word for bumblebee is also a famous headmaster in a popular book series – can you name his school? Why not think up your own magic spell?



6.

This is a shallow basket often used in the garden – can you name five vegetables that you might place in one of these?



7.

This is a local word for a pathway – do you know any words that rhyme with path?



8.

Which words would you use to describe this insect?

