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Agent

OSAKA

A MISSION FOR YOUNG EXPLORERS



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Osaka: A Mission for Young Explorers

Greetings, **Agent!**

You've been selected for a top-secret mission to uncover the hidden treasures of Osaka! From the mighty Osaka Castle to the delicious street food of Dotonbori, your adventure will take you through Japan's most playful and exciting city. Complete these challenges to earn the title of **Osaka Master Explorer!**

Good luck, and remember: stay curious and adventurous!

Top Secret Mission: Osaka Adventure

Operation Castle & Samurai

- **Osaka Castle Quest** – Walk through Osaka Castle Park and count how many golden decorations you can find on the castle!
- **Bonus:** Can you spot the tiger statue near the entrance?
- **Samurai Mystery** – Inside Osaka Castle Museum, find a samurai helmet or sword.
- **Bonus:** Imagine you are a samurai protecting the castle, what would be your battle strategy?

Operation Food Hunter

- **Takoyaki Taste Test** – Try Osaka's famous takoyaki (octopus balls)!
- **Bonus:** Can you flip a takoyaki like the street vendors do?
- **Kushikatsu Challenge** – Try kushikatsu (deep-fried skewers) without double-dipping in the sauce!

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- **Bonus:** What was the tastiest skewer you tried?

Operation City Explorer

- **Glico Sign Spotter** – Find the famous running man sign in Dotonbori and take a picture copying his pose!
- **Bonus:** What other neon signs can you spot?
- **Kaiyukan Aquarium Adventure** – Visit Osaka Aquarium Kaiyukan and find a whale shark swimming in the tank!
- **Bonus:** Can you find a fish with bright colors?

Bonus Operations

- **Umeda Sky Tower Climb** – Ride the elevator to the Floating Garden Observatory and look over the whole city.
- **Bonus:** Can you count how many bridges cross the river below?
- **Osaka Train Tracker** – Ride on the Osaka Loop Line and count how many stations have a funny-sounding name!
- **Story Creator** – Write or draw a story about a ninja who sneaks through Osaka Castle at night.

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Luca & Nico's Secret Message – Can You Decode It?

Use your new Osaka dialect words (see below) to crack the code!

"Meccha omoroi na, Explorer! Go see Osaka Castle, say Ookini to the takoyaki chef, and find a secret ninja tunnel!"

Craft: Make Your Own Glico Running Man Sign!

Design your own Osaka-style sign!

What You'll Need:

- Paper or cardboard
- Markers or crayons
- Scissors (ask an adult for help!)
- Glue or tape

Steps:

1. Draw a big sign like the Glico Running Man or another famous neon sign in Osaka.
2. Color it in bright, neon colors to match Osaka's lively atmosphere.
3. Cut it out and attach it to a background with other fun Osaka drawings (takoyaki, the castle, or the aquarium!).
4. Show your family and practice posing like the Glico Running Man!

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Culture Guide: What Makes Osaka Special

- **The Nation's Kitchen** – Osaka is famous for its amazing street food, like takoyaki and okonomiyaki!
- **Osaka Castle's History** – The castle was once a stronghold of samurai warriors during battles in the 1500s!
- **Bright Lights & Fun Vibes** – Dotonbori's neon signs and entertainment make it one of Japan's most exciting places!
- **The Whale Shark City** – Osaka Aquarium Kaiyukan has one of the biggest tanks in the world, with giant whale sharks!
- **Japan's Bargain Shopping Hub** – Osaka's Shinsekai & Kuromon Market are great places to find fun and quirky souvenirs.

Language Guide: Speak Like a Local in Osaka!

Learn some words from the Osaka dialect (Osaka-ben)!

- **Meccha omoroi na!** (めっちゃおもしろいな!) – Super fun!
- **Ookini!** (おおきに!) – Thank you! (Used instead of "Arigatou" in Osaka!)
- **Bochi bochi da na!** (ぼちぼちだな!) – It's going alright!
- **Nan de ya nen!** (なんでやねん!) – No way!/Are you serious?!

(Osaka-ben is fun and energetic, locals will love hearing you try it!)

Packing Tips for Your Osaka Adventure

Every great agent needs the right gear! Don't forget to pack these mission essentials:

- **Comfortable shoes** – You'll be walking through markets, castles, and entertainment districts!
- **Notebook & pencil** – Record discoveries in your Secret Mission Log.
- **Camera or phone** – Capture Dotonbori's neon lights and Osaka's street food!
- **Small bag for snacks** – Osaka is famous for its street food, so be ready to try some!
- **Train card (ICOCA)** – Perfect for riding Osaka's trains and subways with ease!

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Secret Mission Log – Agent's Final Report

Congratulations, Agent! Before you leave Osaka, complete your final mission debrief: (Parents can print this as a fun keepsake!)

The most amazing thing I saw today:

The funniest moment of my adventure:

A secret I learned about Osaka:

My next mission will be to...

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Family Mission Recap – Adventure Club Discussion

Gather around, agents! Let's debrief our mission with these fun questions:
(Encourages family bonding and deeper engagement with the adventure!)

If you could build your own samurai castle, what would it look like?

If you could create a new street food for Osaka, what would it be?

What was the most colorful neon sign you saw?

What was the coolest sea creature at the aquarium?

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What's one thing you learned about Osaka that surprised you?

MISSION COMPLETE!

Celebrate your success with an Osaka-style reward, like crispy takoyaki or fluffy okonomiyaki! Share your discoveries with fellow adventurers and prepare for your next mission.

Agent, your journey through Osaka has just begun – until next time...

Stay curious, stay adventurous, and keep dreaming!

~ The LuNi Travels Family ~

Luca & Nico's Secret Code Answer: "Super fun, Explorer! Go see Osaka Castle, say 'Thank you' to the takoyaki chef, and find a secret ninja tunnel!"