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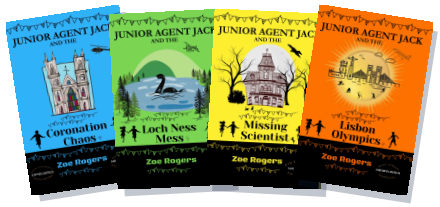
MI9 ADVENT MISSIONS



24 top-secret missions to get junior agents **reading for fun** before Christmas. Complete one each day and tick it off!

Agent name: _____

READ CODEBREAK COLOUR CREATE

ACTIVITY SHEET ON PAGE 2

1 CREATE

Agent sign-up

Fill in your Agent ID card on the activity sheet. Choose a secret code name!

☐ Mission complete

2 READ

Torchlight read

Read a chapter by torchlight under your duvet. Stay undercover.

☐ Mission complete

3 CREATE

Build a base

Build a blanket den and hold a top-secret reading session inside.

☐ Mission complete

4 CODEBREAK

Codebreaker 1

Crack Code 1 on your activity sheet. Numbers hide letters!

☐ Mission complete

5 READ

Silent listener

Read to a pet, teddy or toy. They are excellent listeners.

☐ Mission complete

6 COLOUR

Colour your badge

Colour in your Junior Agent badge on the activity sheet.

☐ Mission complete

7 READ

Book swap

A grown-up picks your book today, and you pick theirs.

☐ Mission complete

8 READ

Strange location

Read for 10 minutes in the strangest spot in your house.

☐ Mission complete

9 CREATE

Invisible ink

With a grown-up, write a secret message in lemon juice. Warm it to reveal!

☐ Mission complete

10 READ

In disguise

Read in full spy disguise: sunglasses, hat, the works.

☐ Mission complete

11 CODEBREAK

Codebreaker 2

Crack the mirror code on your activity sheet. Try a real mirror!

☐ Mission complete

12 CREATE

Map the mission

Draw a map of a place from the book you are reading.

☐ Mission complete

13 READ

Kitchen intel

Read a festive recipe and make it with a grown-up.

☐ Mission complete

14 CREATE

Comic strip

Draw your favourite scene from a book as a 4-box comic.

☐ Mission complete

15 READ

Voice disguise

Read aloud with a different silly voice for every character.

☐ Mission complete

16 COLOUR

Colour the stocking

Colour in the MI9 stocking on your activity sheet.

☐ Mission complete

17 CREATE

Cracker jokes

Make up your own Christmas cracker joke and test it on your family.

☐ Mission complete

18 CODEBREAK

Codebreaker 3

Crack the final code. Each letter has moved one step!

☐ Mission complete

19 READ

Field trip

Visit a library or bookshop and choose a book by its cover. It's Saturday!

☐ Mission complete

20 CREATE

Agent review

Write a top-secret review of a book for a friend: stars and one sentence.

☐ Mission complete

21 READ

Longest night

21 December is the longest night of the year. Read by fairy lights.

☐ Mission complete

22 CREATE

Gift a story

Choose a book to give to someone else this Christmas.

☐ Mission complete

23 READ

Family briefing

Everyone in the house reads together for 20 minutes.

☐ Mission complete

24 CHRISTMAS EVE

Operation Stocking

Read a Christmas story in bed and leave a book by your pillow for the morning!

☐ Mission complete

Junior Agent Jack · The MI9 Missions series by Zoe Rogers · Ages 8–12

Reading for pleasure: a bigger predictor of success than family background (OECD)

AGENT ACTIVITY SHEET

DAY 1 · AGENT ID CARD

Draw yourself in disguise

Code name:

Agent number:

Special skill:

Favourite book:

DAY 4 · CODEBREAKER 1

Your mission:

11-5-5-16 18-5-1-4-9-14-7

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A 1	B 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	H 8	I 9	J 10	K 11	L 12	M 13
N 14	O 15	P 16	Q 17	R 18	S 19	T 20	U 21	V 22	W 23	X 24	Y 25	Z 26

DAY 11 · CODEBREAKER 2: MIRROR CODE

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

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Hold it up to a mirror, or write each letter the right way round.

DAY 18 · CODEBREAKER 3: ONE STEP ON

What is the best Christmas food?

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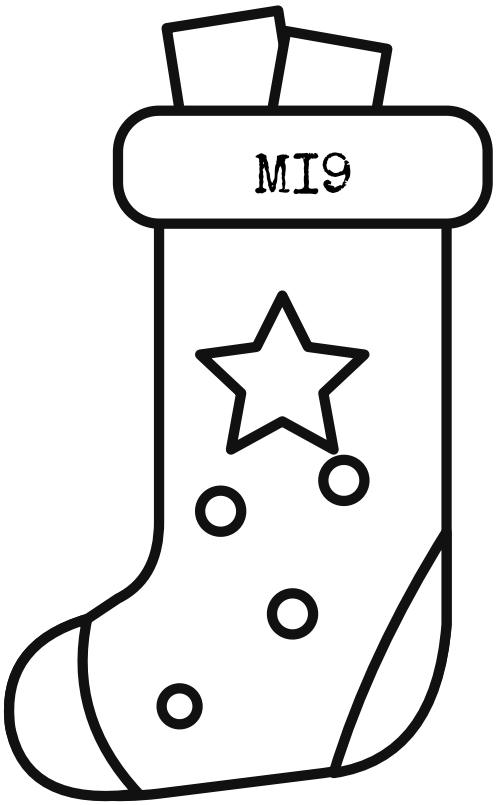
Every letter has moved one step along the alphabet. Move each one back (B becomes A).

DAY 6 · COLOUR YOUR BADGE



DAY 16 · COLOUR THE STOCKING



Answers: Code 1 KEEP READING · Code 2 MISSION ACCOMPLISHED · Code 3 MINCE SPIES