Spy Kit

The children's task is to design secret 'spy kit' gadgets to help them in their mission!

Introduce 'The Mission' and collaborate in naming TV spy films/cartoons (James Bond, Mission Impossible, Spy Kids, Agent Cody Banks, and Danger Mouse and Penfold – the cartoon). The children's task is to invent and design their own 'Spy Kit'. Talk about items that might be include in a spy kit:

A bottle of perfume   Spray into the face of an enemy and it knocks them out instantly!

A tube of hair gel   This acts as a super-strength glue, useful for slowing enemies down!

Lipstick   One application of this lipstick will make the wearer tell the truth. Great for extracting secrets from tight-lipped agents!

Dental floss   This is actually super-strong thread which can be used for tying up enemy agents or to help you make quick exits from tall buildings!

Mascara   Simply apply this mascara to your eyes and you will have x-ray vision!

Would they include anything different? What would their inventions be?

It's worth looking at the Alex Rider books by Anthony Horowitz. This teenage spy will appeal to the children – he uses loads of gadgets!

There is a book devoted to his gadgets - Alex Rider: The Gadgets and a web site at **www.alexrider.com/Alexs-World/Gadgets/Viewer**. (**Please note**: in order to view more than two gadgets on this site, users will need to give their names and email addresses.)

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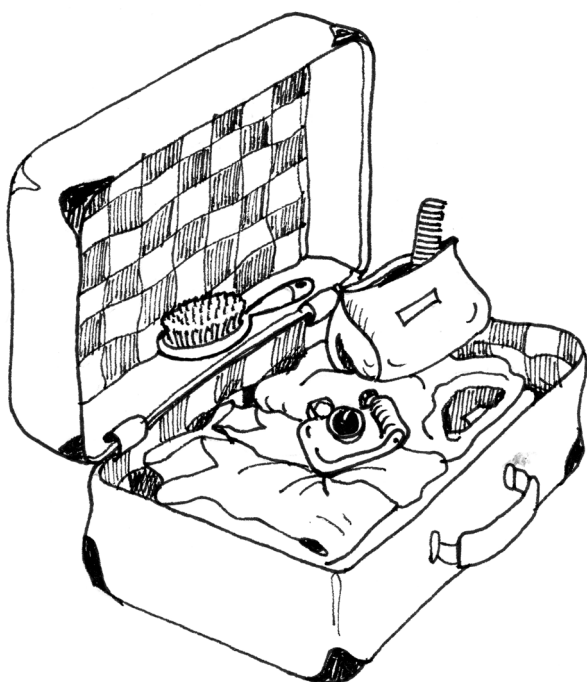*Imagine you are a top spy for MI5 – just like James Bond!*

You have been asked to carry out a dangerous mission in another country. You will need to pack a suitcase with all the gadgets you will need.

What gadgets will you need to pack?

What gadgets do you think a spy might need?

- ■ *a camera?*
- ■ *a gun?*
- ■ *a disguise?*
- ■ *explosives?*
- ■ *a voice recorder?*
- ■ *'bugging' equipment?*
- ■ *a tracking device?*

However, your gadgets will need to be disguised as harmless everyday objects. If your suitcase is opened and checked at the airport it is vital that nothing inside it arouses suspicion.

Design your own spy kit – draw and label your inventions and say how they are disguised and how they will work!