How to create a Huntzz treasure hunt!

1. Launch the Huntzz app. If need be click through to the index screen shown in image A.

2. Click the “Create” button at the bottom of the screen (image A).

3. Click on “create new hunt” (or any hunt you have already created) as shown in image B.

4. Delete “My Hunt 1” and give your hunt a title which describes its location or theme. You can fill out the other fields shown in D once you have finished creating your hunt clues if you wish.

   If you want to challenge someone with your hunt (as long as they have an iOS or Android device) you can do so from this screen by clicking the “Share with Friends” button shown in E.

5. Click on “Edit Clues” either at the top or lower down on this screen (shown in F).
6. Click "...add new clue" as shown in G.

7. Overwrite "Clue 1" with your cryptic clue in the field as shown in H.

8. Type all acceptable answers (separated by commas) in the "Answers" field (image I).

9. Enter the location in the "Location" field. For instance, this may be a room in a museum or somewhere outside like, "The Mall meets Horse Guards Road" or, as here, "City Square".

10. Scroll around on the map until the red crosshairs mark your clue's location. It may help to switch to "Satellite" view and zoom in (in the normal iPhone or Android manner).

If you click "Current" it will attempt to locate your current location.

If you click "Clue" it will show you where you have previously dropped the pin for this clue (if applicable).

Once you have lined up the crosshairs click "Set". The pin will drop on that spot as shown in J. You can move and drop it again at any time.

You may decide to drop your pin in the centre of a space or room so as to make answering the clue a little more challenging!

If you want to use a floorplan rather than google maps, then contact Huntzz. This requires extra work our end, which we are happy to carry out. We hope to make adding floorplans easier for our partners soon.

11. You can complete the other fields such as "Hint", "Simple Clue" and "Guide" now or come back to these fields at another time.

If you want to submit your hunt for inclusion in the installed app, please make each guide entry ("scroll") 50-120 words long. If you are not a curator it is OK to use Wikipedia for research but try not to simply cut and paste! The most important things are that your entry relates to the clue location and is interesting. We find it is often helps to put objects or monuments in their historical context.
12. Having input one clue you now have a choice of buttons as shown in image K.

"Back" will take you back to your list of clues seen in images L and M. Each clue is displayed by its cryptic clue. "Play" will show you your hunt in play mode (ie how a player would see it).

The "+" button will create a new clue. The "Prev" and "Next" buttons will take you to your previous or next clue, respectively (assuming you have created more than one clue already).

No matter which button you press, the information you have entered for the clue has been saved. To amend your clue simply click on its cryptic clue listed here. Every time you create a new clue, it will be added to this list. You can reorder or delete clues by clicking "Reorder".

To add another clue simply repeat steps 6 to 11 on the previous page.

13. You can return to your created hunt's first screen (where you input the title, description etc) at any time by clicking "Back" and return to the clues through "Edit Clues".

Points to Keep in Mind

You can edit your hunts in a program such as notepad by emailing the raw data to yourself as an xml document. You can then re-insert the data into the same field to test it in the app.

The "Raw Data" button is located on the screen with your hunt title, description etc.

If you would like to submit a hunt for inclusion in the Huntzz app it should contain 10, 15 or 20 clues and be centred around one location/route/theme with interesting scrolls.

Where possible, please also keep disabled treasure hunters in mind.

When setting the locations it helps to switch between map and satellite views.

There are small differences with the creation tool on Android devices, due to how Android works. However, it is similar enough to make this guide relevant for Android users.