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1. Go around the table, taking turns reading these cards aloud.

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2. Somewhere far from here, there is a Treasure. There are other treasures, but this one is uniquely precious.

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3. The journey to recover the Treasure is long and perilous. Many have tried and failed.

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4. You, and only you, have decided to venture forth together to recover the Treasure.

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5. Each of you has your own reason for seeking the Treasure, but all of you would rather die than return empty-handed.

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6. You are welcome to look through the Treasure cards for inspiration. If there is one that seems right for the group, place it on the table to inspire your story.

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7. Set the card that reads "The Treasure sits before you, free for the taking. Do you take it?" aside.

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8. Shuffle the prompt cards, and place them facedown in the center of the table.

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9. Put the "The Treasure sits before you" card in the middle of the deck for a game that takes approximately 30 minutes, or shuffle it into the bottom third of the deck to play for an hour or more.

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10. When you have read the instruction cards, continue clockwise with the prompt cards. Take turns reading the questions out loud. Interpret these questions, and answer them, however you wish.

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11. Other players may ask you questions or make suggestions on your turn, but whether you answer those questions or include those suggestions is entirely up to you.

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12. Place the X-card somewhere everyone can easily reach it.

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13. If you encounter a card, or an answer, that you don't want to be included in the game, tap the X-Card. That content is removed from the game.

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14. If you draw a card that is removed this way, simply draw another card. You can "X" a card that you drew yourself.

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15. You can also pass on your turn. To do so, give the prompt cardd you drew to the next player, and say: "I'd like to hear your answer to this question."

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16. A prompt card can be passed around the table until some applies the X-Card to it.

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17. Continue answering, passing, and X-ing questions until the "The Treasure sits before you" card is drawn.

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18. Each player should answer that question in turn. Then, the game is over.

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19. Whoever wants to can draw the first prompt card.

You once held the Treasure in your hands. How did you lose it?

A loved one desperately needs you to return with the Treasure. Why?

You encounter another group of treasure hunters. How do you throw them off the trail?

You brought something with you that is vital to your quest. What is it? Why do you need it?

You are missing something that is vital to your quest. What is it? Why is it so important?

You encounter a stranger who warns you of a terrible price you will have to pay to recover the treasure. What is it?

You encounter a child. Why do they ask you to leave the treasure where it is? Why do you continue on?

You stop in a village where the inhabitants treat you with kindness. How will taking the treasure harm them?

The Treasure will not help you, personally. Why do you seek it anyway?

You brought something with you that would anger the rest of the party. What is it? How do you hide it?

You have a skill that is needed to recover the treasure. What is it?

You pass through a city. How do you see that they desperately need the Treasure? Why do you believe your people need it more?

You have intimate knowledge of one of the Treasure's defenses. How did you get it? How will you use it to get past the defense?

Why do you secretly wish the Treasure didn't exist?

You have doubts the Treasure exists. Why? Why do you seek it anyway?

Someone you admire sought the Treasure and returned empty-handed. What did you learn from their failure that will help you succeed?

You suspect someone in your party would take the treasure for themselves alone. Who? And why?

You prepare a meal that reminds you of home. What is it and why does it fill you with sadness?

You take a detour to retrieve something vital to your quest. What is it? And what does getting it cost you?

You lay awake at night, worried that the Treasure will not be enough. Why?

Back home, you argued against this quest to retrieve the treasure. Why?

Someone in the party must be protected at all costs, or the quest will fail. Who? Why are they so important?

A loved one's life depends on your success. Why?

What did you do before you joined the party, and why has it prepared you well for this mission?

You encounter a terrifying enemy. What must you sacrifice to defeat it?

Why do you fear your people were wrong to put their faith in you?

You recover a treasure that is almost the same as the Treasure. Why do you continue on your quest?

You are poisoned. Before you recover, on the verge of death, what truth do you whisper to your companions?

You are the best in the world at something. What is it, and how do you regularly prove it?

One of your companions saved your life on this journey. How?

You tried to recover the Treasure alone, once, and failed. Why do you need your companions to succeed?

Which of your companions would you sacrifice to recover the Treasure?

You hate one of your companions. How did they wrong you in the past? Why do you still need them?

You meet a seer who warns you of grave repercussions for removing the Treasure. What part of his warning keeps you up at night?

How will you decide who benefits from the Treasure?

You encounter a former owner of the Treasure. How do you know the toll it took on them?

You come across a dead body. A warning. What sign reveals who left it?

In your hands, the Treasure would be a weapon. Who would you wield it against?

In your hands, the Treasure would be salvation. Who would you save?

In your hands, the Treasure would be freedom. Freedom from whom?

In your hands, the Treasure would be knowledge. What do you hope to learn?

In your hands, the Treasure would be protected. Who would you protect it from?

In your hands, the Treasure would be no more. Why must it be destroyed?

In your hands, the Treasure would be power. How would you reshape the world with it?

Why is the Treasure too important for any one person to control it?

What guardian of the Treasure do you fear above all others?

The Treasure has cultural significance to a people. What role does it play in their life?

Why is this Treasure the only one of its kind?

The Treasure sits before you, free for the taking. Do you take it?