Where is Shivam's gift?

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New Words

- Treasure: Something of great value
- Solve: To find answer to a problem
- Instructions: (Instructions)
  Step by step direction to do something
- Clue: Information that helps you to know more about something
- Chit: A small piece of paper
It’s Shivam’s birthday today. He has turned 12.
His parents have planned a birthday party for him. All his friends from school have come.
Mummy, papa, where is my gift for this year?
Beta, I made the cake for you.

I made the Pav Bhaji. Isn’t that enough for a gift?
Acha, don’t be sad. We have a surprise for you.
Mummy, papa, what is a treasure hunt?

To find the gift, you have to solve the clues.

We have hidden a gift for you in the house.
Shivam is dreaming of treasures and gifts. While his parents and friends tell him the instructions to find his gift.
SHIVAM!

Any questions?

Hmm, no no. I don’t have any questions.

Shivam picks up the chit that his mother hands him.
CLUE 1

Look into the place where you keep your shoe!

Shoe? Clue? What is all this? Where is my treasure?
What happened Shivam? You didn’t like the gift?

There is no gift. There is no treasure. You all are fooling me!

No beta, did you find the answer to the clue?
Mummy and papa understood that Shivam did not listen to the instructions.
They ask his friends to tell the instructions again to him.

INSTRUCTIONS

- The gift is hidden inside the house.
- To find where the gift is hidden, you have to solve 3 clues.
- The first clue will be given to you.
- Solving one clue will help you find the next clue.
- Solving the third clue will tell you where the gift is.
Shoe, shoe, shoe!
He remembers that mamma asks him to keep his shoe in a small cupboard.

He opens the cupboard and searches. He finds a chit between his shoes.
He takes the chit out. It has a small map.

What do I do with this map?
How do I solve this clue?
He looks up and sees that this is the map of his house. The line is the instructions to get to the next clue.
He follows the instructions and reaches the kitchen.

He sees the third clue under the stove.
Shivam smiles reading the last clue as he knows exactly where it is!
He runs to his cupboard where he keeps his toys. He finds a big box which is gift wrapped. Shivam goes to his friends with his gift.
I see you found your gift.

Hey! Open it already!
Shivam laughs and quickly opens the gift wrapper. It’s the Toy Car that he always wanted!!
Shivam bought return gifts for all his friends. He did not find the gift he wanted to gift his friend Sana.

Follow the instructions on the next page, to help Shivam make the gift.
How to make a Paper Apron for Sana?

1. Fold the paper into half.
2. Cut along the dotted line.
3. Open the paper. Fold at the top.
4. Put 50 cms thread inside the fold. Use tape to keep it in place.
5. Tie the ends of thread into a knot.
6. Make two holes on the sides.
7. Tie a thread at each hole. Use tape to keep it in place.
Answer some fun questions and see if you are as smart as Shivam!

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It’s Shivam’s 12th birthday. His parents have bought a gift for him but it is not easy to find. A story about an exciting hunt around a puzzling gift.

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Step 0
I complete tasks by following instructions