Where’s the Bear?
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Where's the Bear?
Michael has lost his teddy bear. He can’t find it anywhere.

Dad!
Have you seen my bear anywhere?
Nope!
Shhhh... Don't tell! I'm hiding!

Where's the bear?
He'll never find me up here!

Where's the bear?
Shhhh!

Where’s the bear?
Do you think he'll see me here?

Where's the bear?
Ma! Have you seen my bear anywhere?

No, I'll try looking there.

No, I haven't, Michael. Did you look next to the TV?
Where's the bear?
Where's the bear?

Whew! That was close!

Where's the bear?
Where’s the bear?
He isn't by the TV. He's not anywhere!

Are you sure you've looked everywhere?

YES!
Do you want me to help you look for him?

Yes, but I think he's gone for good.

Let's look in your bedroom.
Mom! Look who fell out of bed when I looked under the cover!

I don't think so, Mom. I think he was hiding from me.

I'll bet he was there all the time.

I don't think so, Mom. I think he was hiding from me.

Don't be silly, Michael...he's just a teddy bear!