

Ideas for Pirate Tram online resources

If You're a Pirate and You Know It (to the tune of 'If You're Happy and you Know It')

If you're a pirate and you know it, swab the deck (*swish, swish*)

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If you're a pirate and you know it, then you'll hear the sea winds blowin'.

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next:

If you're a pirate and you know it, walk the plank (*stomp, stomp*)

If you're a pirate and you know it, look for treasures (*look through spyglass*)

If you're a pirate and you know it, say ahoy Ahoy! (*with arm movement*)

The Big Ship Sails On The Alley-Alley-O

The big ship sails on the alley-alley-o

The alley-alley-o, the alley-alley-o,

The big ship sails on the alley-alley-o

On the last day of September.

The captain says that'll never never do,

Never never do, never never do.

The captain says that'll never never do,

On the last day of September.

The big ship sank to the bottom of the sea

The bottom of the sea, the bottom of the sea,

The big ship sank to the bottom of the sea

On the last day of September.

We all dip our heads in the deep blue sea,

the deep, blue sea, the deep, blue sea,

We all dip our heads in the deep, blue sea,

On the last day of September.

The Pirate Song

*When I was one, I sucked my thumb, the day I went to sea
I climbed aboard a pirate ship and the captain said to me
I'm going this way that way, forwards and backwards, over the Irish Sea
A bottle of rum to fill my tum, now that's the life for me.*

*When I was two I buckled my shoe and then I went to sea
I climbed aboard a pirate ship and the captain said to me
I'm going this way, that way, forwards and backwards, over the Irish Sea
A bottle of rum to fill my tum, now that's the life for me.*

v3: When I was three I bashed my knee

v4: When I was four I scrubbed the floor

v5: When I was five I went for a drive

A Sailor Went to Sea, Sea, Sea

A sailor went to sea, sea, sea
To see what he could see, see, see
But all that he could see, see, see
Was the bottom of the deep blue sea, sea, sea!

A sailor went to chop, chop, chop
To see what he could chop, chop, chop
But all that he could chop, chop, chop
Was the bottom of the deep blue chop, chop, chop!

A sailor went to knee, knee, knee
To see what he could knee, knee, knee
But all that he could knee, knee, knee
Was the bottom of the deep blue knee, knee, knee!

A sailor went to sea, chop, knee
To see what he could sea, chop, knee
But all that he could sea, chop, knee
Was the bottom of the deep blue sea, chop, kne

Games and activities

Pirate Scavenger Hunt

Hide the items in the area beforehand then the children are given a list (in words or pictures) of what to find.

- 1 Jolly Roger Flag
- 4 golden doubloons (chocolate gold covered coins)
- 3 jewels (I use different colored beads, red for rubies, green for emeralds and so on)
- 1 gold or silver hoop earring – a costume jewellery hoop earring is ideal
- 2 parrot feathers
- 1 eye patch
- 1 treasure map
- 1 shell from Oak Island

Make a treasure chest

Give children an empty shoe box and help them to fill it with their own little treasures – buttons, ribbons, photos, coins, shells etc. cover the box and lid in gold or silver wrapping paper.

Make a treasure map

Find something from the home to be today's 'treasure' – this could be a special toy, some inexpensive costume jewellery e.g. a bead necklace or some sweets. Put the 'treasure' in a watertight, lidded box e.g. a plastic lunch box.

Go out in your garden and tell your child that today it's going to be your treasure island. Decide where to hide your treasure. Don't make it too easy!

On a large piece of paper, draw a rough outline of the garden and help your child draw symbols for different features e.g. pond, seating area, play equipment.

Together, make up clues for someone else to follow to find the treasure.

Give someone else in the family, or a friend, the task of finding the treasure!

Make a pirate flag

Design a pirate flag of your very own, with symbols/pictures that represent you. You can make it out of paper, recycled white plastic bags, or even fabric. Attach it to a garden cane using sticky tape and fly your flag with pride!



Make a simple pirate boat

Use elastic bands to lash 3 large wine bottle corks together to make the boat, then make a paper pirate flag attached to a wooden skewer (with a small blob of Blu Tack, or a smaller flag, on the end to make it safe). Push the flag into one of the corks and go and float your boat!



Pirate Pranks!

Can you solve the riddle to find the name of a famous pirate?

I am in 'lamp' but not in 'swamp'
I am in 'own' but not in 'went'
I am in 'danger' but not in 'dagger'
I am in 'gold' but not in 'would'

I am in 'jam' but not in 'map'
I am in 'okay' but not in 'yak'
I am in 'wash' but not in 'saw'
I am in 'nose' but not in 'some'

I am in 'sail' but not in 'laid'
I am in 'ill' but not in 'wall'
I am in 'lemon' but not in 'money'
I am in 'save' but not in 'east'
I am in 'elbow' but not in 'bowl'
I am in 'rest' but not in 'stem'

What be your pirate name?

To find out what your pirate name would be, take the first letter of your first name....

- A: Plunderin'
- B: Dirty
- C: Deadeye
- D: Cutlass
- E: Matey
- F: Sparrow
- G: Jolly
- H: Black Jack
- I: Mad
- J: Shiverin'
- K: Shipshape
- L: Greedy
- M: Wide Eye
- N: One Eye
- O: Patches
- P: Scallywag
- Q: Booty
- R: Greedy
- S: Salty
- T: Barnacle
- U: Crossbones
- V: Peg Leg
- W: Sea Legs

X: One-ear
Y: Red-eye
Z: Two Toes

And the first letter of your last name:

A: Tailbeard
B: Ironclaw
C: Ironhook
D: Plankwalker
E: Rumblestomach
F: Crabeater
G: Plankdancer
H: Swordskull
I: Sharkbait
J: Rattleface
K: Rumtummy
L: Skullfist
M: Hookhand
N: Seawolf
O: Lobsterpot
P: Rattlebones
Q: Blackbeard
R: Redbeard
S: Longbeard
T: Scallywag
U: O' the Coast
V: Stinkfoot
W: Freebooter
X: Landlubber
Y: Darkwater
Z: Two toes