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Maverick Activity Pack

What is a Maverick Activity Pack?

This activity pack is for teachers and parents to help build comprehension and engagement when guiding their students and children in their reading journey. There are many activities in this pack that can be used alongside our Early Reader stories to encourage children to get stuck in after enjoying the story.

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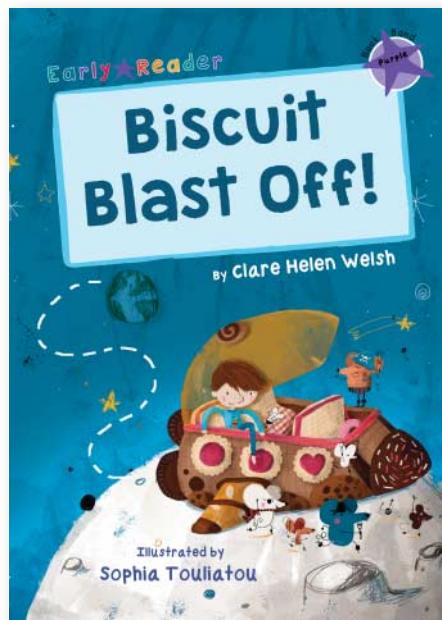
Biscuit Blast Off! Early Reader
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When Oliver sneaks out of bed to pinch a midnight snack, he gets a surprise when his kitchen is overrun by mice stealing his biscuits! Captain McSqueaky and his crew of pirate mice are trying to fly to the moon to steal moon cheese, but to get there they need help from Oliver and his biscuits.

Oliver was a good boy.
Oliver was a kind boy.
Oliver shouldn't have been sneaking into the kitchen for a midnight snack but he was hungry.

He crept down, down, down the dark, dark stairs.
He reached up, up, up onto the top, top shelf...

...The Jolly Dodger was ready for take-off!
"We're off to the moon," said Oliver.

"Five... four...three...two...one...BLAST OFF!"

Colour Me In!
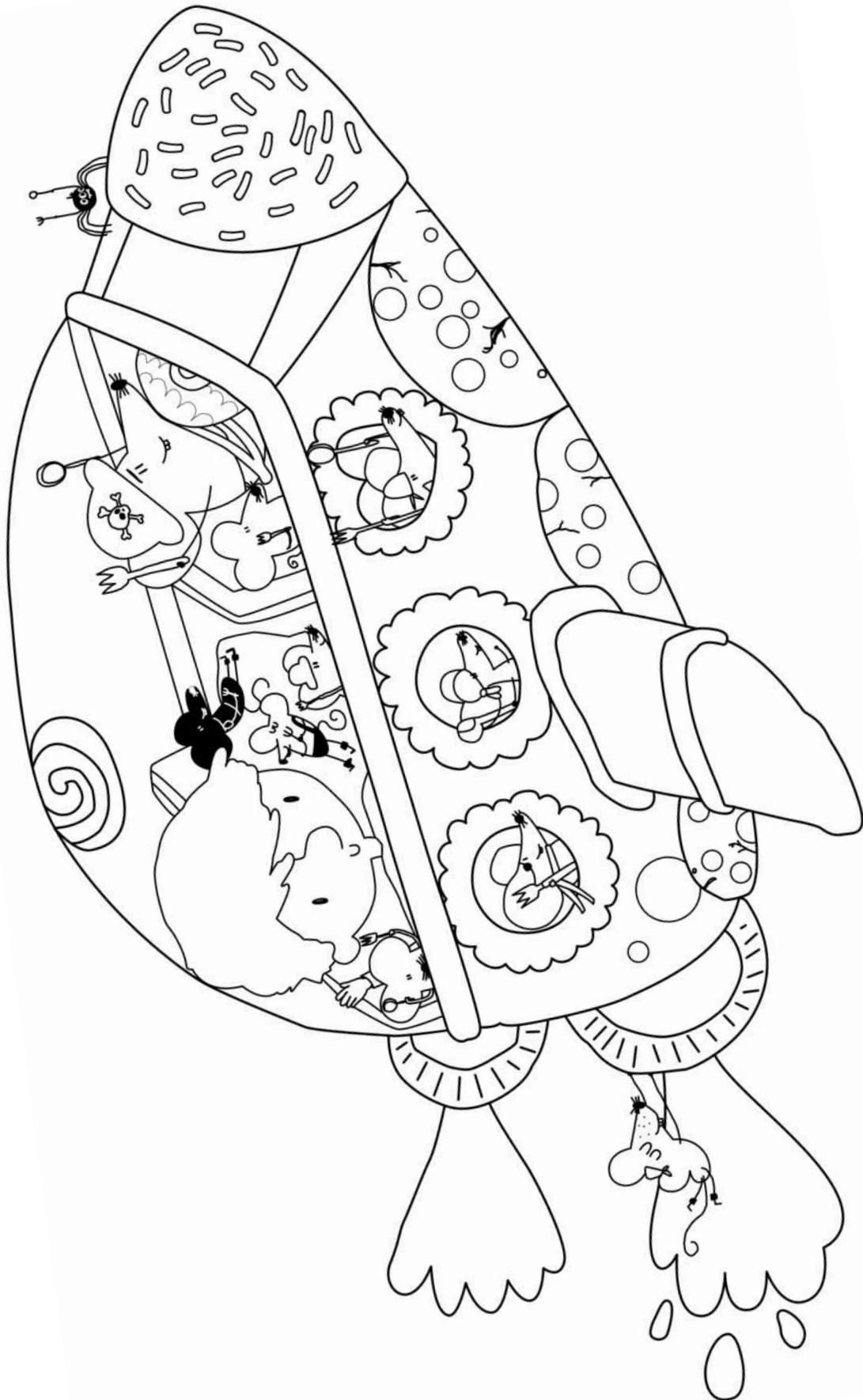
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Fill in the Gaps

Can you remember the words from the story?

1. Oliver was a _____ boy. Oliver was a _____ boy.

funny / sneaky   good / kind   long / bumpy

2. But the _____ tin was _____!

pirate / full   cheese / heavy   biscuit / empty

3. The _____ mice were making _____!

boy / biscuits   pirate / rockets   moon / cheese

4. The _____ _____ was ready for take-off!

Jolly Dodger   Brie Pearl   Flying Crunchman

5. Hiccup! Captain McSqueaky was eating the _____ _____!

biscuit trolls   moon cheese   biscuit rocket

6. "_____ _____!" They landed safely in Oliver's garden. "Phew!"

Land ahoy   Watch out   More cheese

Fill in a Letter

What is the missing letter?

1. He cre__ __ down, down, down the dark, dark stairs.

2. Just then, Oliver heard a s__ __nd in the dark kitchen.

3. A gang of sneaky pirate mice were st__ __ling Oliver's biscuits!

4. "Cli__ __ aboard! Let's find some cheese!"

5. "I'll b__ __ld you a rocket!" Oliver said.

6. Their tummies couldn't w__ __t another second!

7. "A pirate ship to st__ __r you to earth! We can make it from cheese!"

8. They landed safely in Oliver's g__ __den.

Word Search

q	a	p	m	l	x	i	i	b	k	a	i	d	e	r
h	i	c	c	u	p	f	l	a	p	j	a	c	k	s
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Words:

○ biscuit   ○ garden   ○ moon

○ blast   ○ hiccup   ○ pirate

○ cheese   ○ lumpy   ○ rocket

○ flapjack   ○ midnight   ○ sleepy

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Write Your Own Story

Write your own story using the characters in the book.

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Answers

Fill in the gaps:

1. good / kind

2. biscuit / empty

3. pirate / rockets

4. Jolly Dodger

5. biscuit rocket

6. Land ahoy

Fill in a letter:

1. pt

2. ou

3. ea

4. mb

5. ui

6. ai

7. ee

8. ar

Wordsearch:

q	a	p	m	l	x	i	i	b	k	a	i	d	e	r
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