

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.

This Activity Pack is for:



Pirate Parrot and the Knit-wits Early Reader Steven Howson & Daniel Limon

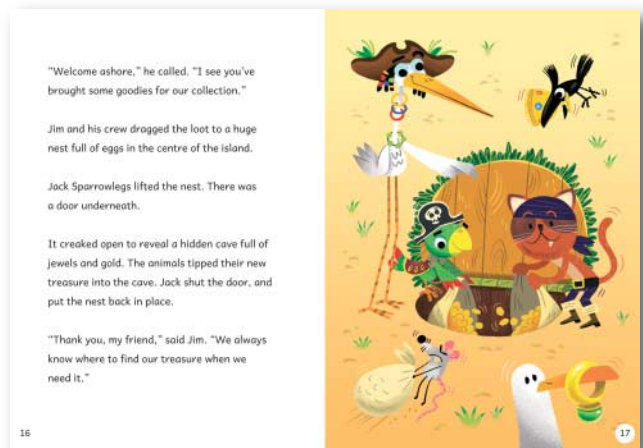
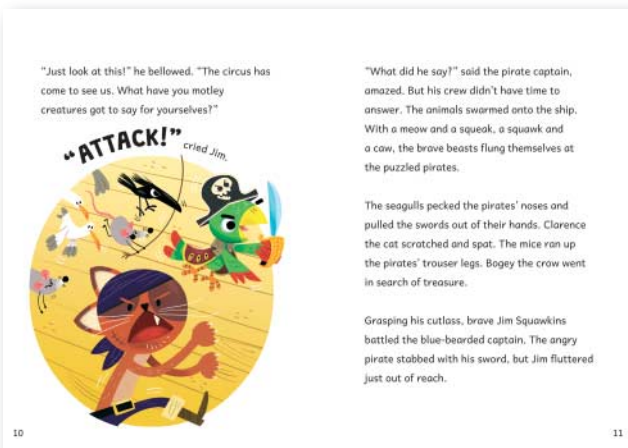
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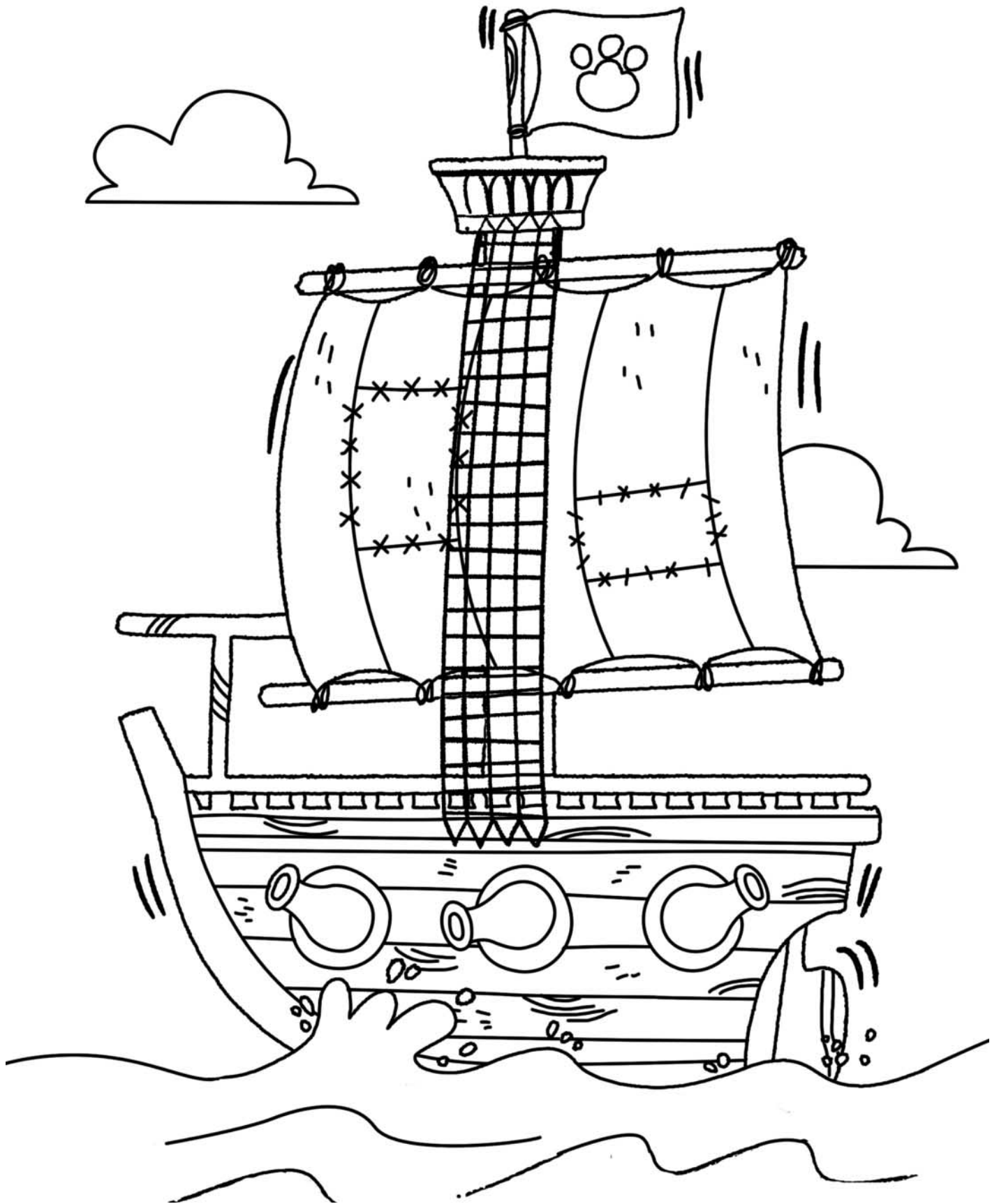
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Jim Squawkins is Captain Ken's parrot and wants nothing more than his own ship. Captain Ken and his human crew are all too cowardly to do any real pirate deeds. After plundering a rival pirate ship and hiding the loot, disaster strikes: the ship hits a rock and sinks! Can the two pirate crews band together to get to land?



Colour Me In!



Fill in the Gaps

Can you remember the words from the story?

1. They were all much _____ than the _____.

sleepier / crows braver / pirates better / rock

2. “We’re _____ creatures all at sea.

We dream that one day we’ll be _____.”

fearless / free cowardly / scared golden / rich

3. The _____-beared _____ howled with laughter at the sight.

red / cat blue / captain black / ship

4. The sight of all that _____ _____ sent him into a panic.

tangled wool smashed coconuts stolen treasure

5. Quick-thinking Jim and his crew _____ the _____...

untied / lifeboat drank / sea knitted / flag

6. On the side of the ship was the name *The* _____ _____.

Vile Voyager Feral Filibuster Beastly Buccaneer

Quiz

1. What is the name of their pirate ship?

- a) The Wobbly Blanket-stitch
- b) The Knit-and-knot
- c) The Crooked Cross-stitch

2. What did Captain Ken find on his ship that made him panic?

- a) Oranges and lemons
- b) Gold and jewels
- c) Swords and knives

3. What marks the spot of the buried treasure?

- a) Eggs
- b) X
- c) A skull

4. How do they get the lifeboat to move?

- a) They knit a sail
- b) They row
- c) They blow the water

5. Where did the boat run aground?

- a) A grey, stony beach
- b) A beautiful white beach
- c) A muddy shore

Word Search

a	i	d	e	l	i	g	h	t	d	j	z	c	o	v
u	s	b	e	a	c	h	v	x	s	q	u	e	a	k
a	c	j	e	u	n	y	j	e	w	e	l	s	k	e
k	s	m	n	s	u	r	p	r	i	s	e	e	r	w
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z	e	o	c	d	w	y	j	i	v	t	l	r	x	l

Words:

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| <input type="radio"/> beach | <input type="radio"/> jewels | <input type="radio"/> squeak |
| <input type="radio"/> cowardly | <input type="radio"/> laughter | <input type="radio"/> surprise |
| <input type="radio"/> crow | <input type="radio"/> pirate | <input type="radio"/> treasure |
| <input type="radio"/> delight | <input type="radio"/> rock | <input type="radio"/> waves |

Answers

Fill in the gaps:

1. braver / pirates
2. fearless / free
3. blue / captain
4. stolen treasure
5. untied / lifeboat
6. Beastly Buccaneer

Quiz:

1. c
2. b
3. a
4. a
5. b

Wordsearch:

