



## Craft Activity

**Theme:** Book Week - Find Your Treasure

**Intro:** Each year across Australia, a week of celebrating Australian authors and illustrators of children's literature, is held throughout schools, childcare centres, libraries and playgroups. It is a time to bring children and books together to remind us of the importance of reading and to encourage a lifelong love of reading. The theme for Book Week 2018 is "Find Your Treasure".

**Craft activity:** Newspaper Pirate Hat & Spyglass

**Children will need:** Newspaper (check newspaper for inappropriate articles), sticky tape, skull and crossbones picture, feathers, scissors.

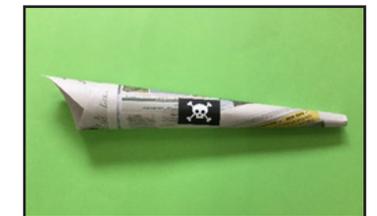
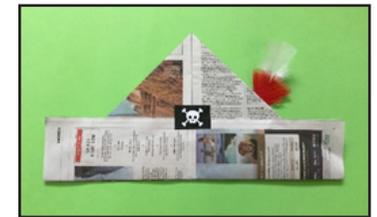
**Newspaper hat:** Fold a piece of newspaper in half. Have the long open edges facing you. Fold both top corners towards the middle to where they meet and crease sides to form a point.

Separate the bottom and fold one side up, then turn over and fold the other bottom piece up. You may need to use some sticky tape to hold the folds together. Stick on a skull and crossbones picture and a feather or two.

### Spyglass:

Fold a piece of newspaper in half. Roll up newspaper on a slight angle and tape to secure. You may need to trim the point so you can see through the hole. Decorate with pirate pictures.

**Fact:** Reading expands your vocabulary. The more you read, the more words you will come across. The more often you read these words, the more likely you are to understand them, and use them in your own writing and speaking.



**Learning Outcome 4:** Children are confident and involved learners.



## Coordinator extension ideas and group time guide

### Activity idea: Pirate Seek

This activity can be done either inside, outside or both. Cut out the 5 pictures (sheet attached) and tape them around your playgroup area. Provide children with the pirate picture list and they can use their spyglasses to try and find all 5 pictures.

### Inside Activity: Reading Hut/Corner

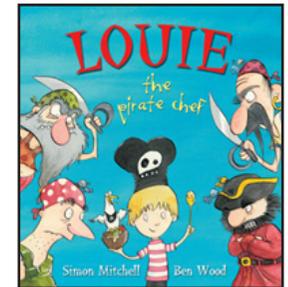
Set up a Reading Hut by putting up a tent or something similar (you could turn a large box into a hut or just create a cosy reading corner). Add some cushions and provide a variety of children's books.

### Group time ideas:

- Who made a pirate hat and spyglass today?
- Did anyone find all 5 hidden pirate pictures?
- We have a book about pirates to read today. Who has a favourite book they like to read?
- Did you practice your Pirate talking?

### Book Suggestions:

Louie the Pirate Chef by Simon Mitchell & Ben Wood  
I Love My Pirate Papa by Laura Leuck & Kyle M. Stone





## 5 Pirates on a Treasure Chest

5 pirates on a treasure chest  
1 jumped off and 4 are left.  
4 pirates on a treasure chest  
1 slid off and 3 are left.  
3 pirates on a treasure chest  
1 fell down and 2 are left.  
2 pirates on a treasure chest  
1 was pushed off and 1 is left.  
1 pirates on the treasure chest  
he climbed down and then there were none.  
No pirates on the treasure chest  
Yo ho ho and now its all mine.

*(<https://www.kidssoup.com/craft-and-resource/pirates-rhymes-songs-and-books-for-kids>)*

## 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, look for treasures (look through spyglass)  
If you're a pirate and you know it, look for treasures (look through spyglass)  
If you're a pirate and you know it, then you really ought to show it,  
If you're a pirate and you know it, look for treasures (look through spyglass)  
next:  
If you're a pirate and you know it, say ahoy Ahoy! (with arm movement)

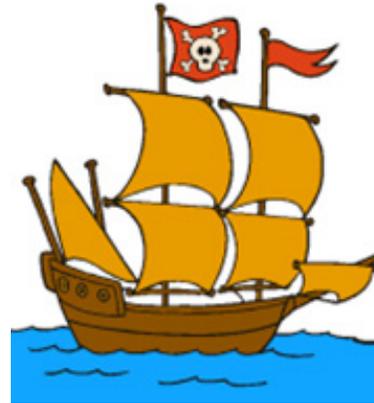
## Pirate Ship

Sail, sail, sail your ship  
Gently over the sea  
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily  
A pirate's life for me.

*(<http://fingerplays-b3ok.blogspot.com.au/2012/08/sail-sail-sail-your-ship.html>)*

# PIRATE SEEK

CUT OUT THE 5 PICTURES AND STICK THEM AROUND YOUR PLAYGROUP AREA.  
PROVIDE CHILDREN WITH THE PICTURE STRIP TO ASSIST THEM TO FIND ALL  
5 PICTURES USING THEIR SPYGLASS.



USE YOUR SPYGLASS TO FIND THE FOLLOWING PICTURES





# What is Your Pirate Name?

Choose 1 name from each column and add them to the beginning of your name. Example: Salty Beard John

Salty	Leg
One	Boot
Captain	Beard
Blue	Eye
Hook	Bandit
Big	Skull
Dead	Patch
Bird	Tooth
Black	Toes
Wooden	Lips
Long	Island
Smelly	Sea