



**SUMMER  
CAMP**

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# Ultimate Pirate Adventure

Grades: K-5th

## DAY ONE:

### **Introduction:**

Name, Age, and a simple question like what is your favorite color, or what their favorite animal is. Run through expectations for the kids throughout the week, such as listening skills, being a good friend, sharing, etc.

### **Pirate Map Prep:**

This activity will be finished on Day Two, this is just the set up. First fill one aluminum tray up with hot water and sprinkle loose tea and coffee grounds into the water. Then lay one sheet of paper in the pan of water, followed by more coffee grounds and tea. Continue this process until you have enough paper in the tray so each kid can have one piece. It's better to make a few extras in case there is a mess up with the papers. Once all the paper you need is in the tray, set it aside and don't mess with it. This will cause the paper to stain and have the "old paper" look.

### **Egg Carton Treasure Chest:**

Take one half dozen egg carton, and use a paintbrush to paint the outside of the carton brown, you can add a second coat of paint if necessary, then let it dry completely. While the carton is drying, you can paint two wooden buttons the color of the ribbon, then let them dry completely. To assemble the treasure chest, cut two pieces of ribbon that are the same color as the buttons, the size of the egg carton width, and use a hot glue gun to glue them down. Then you can glue the buttons onto the front of the ribbon. Once these are finished keep them in the area where the camp is so they can store all their small things that they make.

### **Pirate Cork Boats:**

For pirate cork boats, you will need corks, rubber bands, toothpicks or food picks, washi tape, black paper, and white chalk markers. First you will need to put three corks together. Take two rubber bands and wrap them around the three corks, one on both sides. Then take one toothpick and put it in the center of the middle cork. Next cut out a triangle from the black paper that is 2 inches tall and draw a skull and crossbones onto the triangle, then poke the bottom part of the triangle with the toothpick, push it all the way until the top of the triangle can be pushed onto the tooth pick. After you secure the paper triangle onto the stick, take a piece of washi tape and fold it around the top of the pick, with the two stick sides touching. Cut the tape into a triangle.

### **Break:**

Use this time to have the watch a movie while you clean up and prep for the next activity.

### **Pirate Coins:**

To make gold coins you will need a piece of cardboard, scissors, a hot glue gun, aluminum foil, paint brushes, and gold paint. It's better to have the cardboard cut into circles before you start this activity so the kids don't take too much time to cut them out. Give 2-3 of the circles to each kid and allow them to make a design with the hot glue onto the cardboard circles. Before you wrap the coin, allow for the hot glue to completely dry on the circle. After the design is finished, take a small square that is slightly bigger than the circle and wrap it around the coin. Make sure that the edges of the foil are on the bottom of the coin. You can then either leave them silver, or you can remove the foil and have the kids paint them gold. Allow the coins that are painted to dry completely before they take them home.

### **Captain's Coming Game:**

This game is all about listening skills. Before you start, make a rectangle of tape painters tape on the ground to signify the "ship". If the player is out they must get out of the rectangle. The instructor of the camp will call out different commands and the kids must follow the commands with the correct action. If a kid does the wrong action for the command they are out. Once out they need to go out of the play area. The list of commands are below.

**Bow** - Go to the **FRONT** of the "ship"

**Stern** - Go to the **BACK** of the "ship"



**Port** - Go to the **LEFT** side of the “ship”

**Starboard** - Go to the **RIGHT** side of the “ship”

**Rowboat** - Quickly find a partner (2 kids total) sit on the ground one behind the other, and “row”

**Seasick** - Head to the side of the “ship” and do your duty overboard

**Jellyfish** - Get down on the ground, on your back and shake your arms and legs in the air

**Lifeboat** - Quickly find 5 partners (6 kids total) and sit in a circle on the ground

**Octopus** - Quickly find 7 partners (8 kids total) gather in a circle and have each person stick a leg out

**Captain’s Coming** - Stand at attention, saluting

**At Ease** - Relax (This is only said when players are at attention because “Captain’s Coming” has been called)

**Shark Attack** - Kids that are out run into the game area and try to tag at least one player that is in, the player that is tagged is now out

## DAY TWO:

### Take out the Pirate Map Paper:

Before the kids arrive, take out the paper that was getting stained in the aluminum food tray and lay them onto a food either paper towels, or a food cooling rack to dry

### Wooden Pirate Spoons:

Start by cutting out the pirate bandana and hat from the card stock. Use liquid glue to glue them to the top and back of the spoon. Let the glue dry completely before moving onto the next step. Next glue the small googly eyes onto the face, and if you want to, use the chalk marker to draw a skull and bones, and or polka-dots onto the pirate hat and bandana. To finish, use the permanent marker to draw a nose, mouth, and then color the handle to the spoon for clothes. Each kid can make one of two of these pirates.

### Pirate Cardboard Tube:

To make a pirate cardboard tube you will need to have either a toilet paper tube or paper towel tube that is 4 inches long. Cut a strip of colored paper that is 8.5” x 3” and glue it around one side of the tube. Then cut an 8.5”x2” strip of white paper and 3 8.5”x2/8” out of black paper. Glue two of the black strips, one on the top and one on the bottom of the white strip, then glue the remaining black strip in the middle of the two black strips. After you get all the strips glued on, glue the white paper around the toilet paper tube, leaving one inch of the colored paper below. Then cut out a pirate hat shape from black paper that is a semi circle in



the middle with 1/4" wide sides that are long enough to wrap around the tube. After the hat is cut out, you can use a white chalk marker to draw a skull and crossbones. Glue the hat onto the tube. After the hat is glued on you can draw the face and eye patch. For the eye, draw a slightly diagonal line and a black dot that is touching the line. Then for the eye patch, draw a thick black line that starts up by the hat and wraps around to the other side of the pirate's head, then draw a semi circle that is touching the line and color it in. For the mouth you can do whatever facial expression you would like.

### **Break:**

Use this time to have the watch a movie while you clean up and prep for the next activity.

### **Finishing the Pirate Map:**

If the stained papers aren't fully dry, you can do this activity later. If they are dry, give one sheet of paper to each kid and have them crumple them up into a ball and then un-crumple them. If the kids want their maps to have burned edges, then have them give you the paper and light the edge of it on fire and then immediately blow it out. This should only be done by the instructor, not the kid. After they have their edges burned, if they wanted, give each kid a fine tip sharpie or markers and let them draw a map. Make sure to leave room for a compass in the bottom right corner. Encourage the kids to use their imagination to make the map.

### **Pirate Hooks:**

For pirate hooks, rip a square of aluminum foil and roll it up into a little thin strip like rod. Then poke a small hole into the bottom of the plastic cup and then put the aluminum foil into the hole and fold it over inside so it doesn't come out of the cup. After the aluminum foil is secured on the cup, curve the part that is sticking out of the cup to form a hook.

### **Captains Coming Game:**

Play the captains coming game until the camp is over.

## **DAY THREE:**

### **Pirate Sink or Float Activity:**

This activity will teach the kids about buoyancy in objects  
For this activity you will need a tall clear tote filled halfway up with water. Pirate treasure (plastic gold coins, necklaces, or bracelets). The instructor will hold up random objects, and ask the kids if they will float or sink. After each kid says their response, record them down. Then put



the object in the water. Give a pirate reward to each kid that was right. They can put these pirate treasures into the treasure chest they made on day one.

### **Bird Arm Band:**

To make the body of the bird wrap construction paper around the entire toilet paper tube. Then wrap a smaller strip of construction paper that is a different color around the top, the different color will make the bird's head. Take a third color of construction paper and make a tall arc that is slightly shorter than the body to make the bird's chest. For the eyes use two colored circle stickers that are the same color as the body and draw on a dot for an eye and an arc over top for the eyebrow. Cut out a small triangle for the bird's beak and use hot glue to attach it between the eyes. Grab two feathers that are the same color as the body and hot glue them on the sides of the chest for the wings. Take another feather that is the color of the head and tape it on the inside and top of the tube for a heat feather. If you want to make a tail gather three of the colored quills, fan them out slightly and tape them together. Use hot glue to glue it on the inside and bottom of the tube to make the tail. For the last step, use the hole punch and punch two holes, one on either side of the body and towards the bottom, and put a pipe cleaner through it. Wrap the pipe cleaner around your wrist and secure it by twisting it on your wrist.

### **Pirate Compass:**

Do this before the kids arrive so it is ready for the activity. Take two of the milk lids and punch a hole in the sides that are in the same spot using the metal hole punch, stack the two lids, and then use a marker to mark above where the hole is on the other lid. Repeat this process for the second hole on the lid. Cut two pieces of wire that are about 1" and put one through each of the holes to attach the two lids together. The loops will act as hinges for the compass. Once all the pieces are together use gold spray paint **outside** to cover the lids and hinges, let them dry completely before putting on the gloss coat. Attached on the last page are the compasses, trace one of the milk lids around the compass and cut it out and glue it into the compass using liquid school glue. For the hands of the compass, use one of the paper brads, bend them apart and paint the open sides blue, once it is dried, use the red paint to paint the tip of one side. After it is completely dry, cover the painted side in mod podge to seal the paint. After the mod podge is dry, cover the compass circle with mod podge to add a glossy finish to it. Once it is full dry use hot glue to glue the paper brad in the center of the compass.

### **Break:**

Use this time to have the watch a movie while you clean up and prep for the next activity.



### **Buried Treasure Snack:**

One should be made for each kid. Give each student a vanilla pudding cup, and one zip-loc bag with a graham cracker in it. Have the kids smash up their graham cracker until it becomes a sand like texture. Have them pour their graham crackers into the pudding cup. Then give each kid one mini Nutter Butter cookie and have them put them into their pudding. After they have finished they can add candy rocks into their snack to add more color and “treasure”.

### **Gold Slime:**

Give each student one red plastic cup and one jumbo popsicle stick. Go around and fill each cup up with a 1/2 cup of elmer's clear glue, then put one small scoop of the gold mica powder. Mix the mica powder fully in the cup so there are no chunks left. You can add water if you need to but it is optional. For each cup slowly add in up to a 1/2 cup of Sta-Flo liquid starch. Mix the sta-flo in fully, this is the activator for the slime so as you mix it will become thick. Make sure the kids don't pour the slime out until it is all off the inside of the cup, and make sure they keep it on the table and off their clothes.

## **DAY FOUR:**

### **How to Draw A Pirate:**

Watch - How to Draw a Cartoon Pirate by Art for Kids Hub on YouTube or use the attached link [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mvYF2qEiNMI&t=358s&ab\\_channel=ArtforKidsHub](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mvYF2qEiNMI&t=358s&ab_channel=ArtforKidsHub)

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### **Pirate Necklace:**

Cut a piece of the nylon cord that is long enough to wrap around your neck like a necklace. Put on one skull and cross bone pendant and put it in the middle of the string. Then randomly put beads onto the string. This is so each necklace is different. You can also use other types of beads like wooden, glass etc.



### **Beach in a Bottle:**

Take one 8 oz empty water bottle and remove the label. Fill it half way up with play sand. Then put in sea shells, plastic gems, and miniature plastic beach animals like crabs or turtles.

### **Finish Movie:**

Have the kids finish any movie that you started during the week. You can also give the kids goldfish as a snack during this time.

**Have Each kid come to camp with a swim suit and or a extra shirt (water activities) on day five**

**If the kids have any water guns have them bring them for day five**

## **DAY FIVE:**

### **Pool Party:**

If you have access to a pool, have a pool party on day five. The kids can bring pool toys and floats if they want to. If you don't have access to a pool then continue with the following activities.

### **Finish or Start Movie:**

Play a movie while the kids are eating a snack. Some good movies to play for the kids are Pirates of the Caribbean recommended if you have a older group of kids, The Pirate Fairy, Davy Crockett and the River Pirates all these movies can be found on Disney+.

### **Cannon Ball Toss:**

Fill black balloons up with water. Have the students partner up (2 kids) and give one of the "cannon balls" to them. Have them toss the balloon to each other but each time they catch it they each have to take one step back.

### **Pirate Obstacle Course:**

Attached are different obstacles. Have the start be a walk the plank above a kiddie pool. you can pick the order of the obstacles but use some of the attached and if you have any other ideas use them.



### **Pirate Team Attack:**

Divide up the group into equal teams. Fill up water balloons or the left over balloons from cannon ball toss and have the teams have a water fight with the other team. You can also have the kids bring water guns if they have them.

### **Snacks:**

Some snacks that you can give the kids are string cheese, gold fish, pirate's booty popcorn, anything that you have leftover food from the camp you can use for the snacks.

### **Captains Coming Game:**

Play the captains coming game. Once there is a winner of the game, have them call out the commands until there is another winner.





**Supplies:** (Unless stated in the activity, each project is done by each child, so the number of items depends on the size of your group.)

- Pirate Map Prep
  - Aluminum cooking trays
  - Hot water
  - Coffee
  - Tea
  - Printer paper
  - Food Cooling Rack
  
- Egg Carton Treasure Chest
  - Half Dozen Egg Carton
  - Paint
  - Paint brushes
  - Wooden buttons
  - Ribbon
  - Hot Glue
  
- Pirate Cork Boats
  - Corks
  - Rubber bands
  - Toothpicks or wood food picks
  - Black paper
  - White marker
  - Washi tape
  - Scissors
  
- Pirate Coins
  - Cardboard
  - Hot glue guns and hot glue
  - Aluminum foil
  - Gold paint



- Paint brushes
  
- Captain's Coming Game
  - Painters Tape
  
- Wooden Pirate Spoons
  - Wooden party spoons
  - Black and Red cardstock
  - Googly eyes
  - Permanent markers
  - White chalk marker (optional)
  - White liquid glue
  - Scissors
  
- Pirate Cardboard Tube
  - Paper towel roll or toilet paper roll
  - Black Markers
  - Colored paper
  - White printer paper
  - Black Paper
  - Glue Sticks
  - White Chalk Marker
  
- Pirate Hooks
  - Red plastic cups
  - Tin foil
  - Scissors (just to poke a hole in the cup)
  
- Finishing Pirate Maps
  - Fine tip sharpie or marker (one for each kid)
  - One sheet of stained paper
  - Lighter (camp instructor only)



- Food cooling rack or paper towels (to dry)
  
- Pirate Sink or Float Activity
  - Tall clear tote
  - Water
  - Random objects
  - Pirate Treasure
    - Plastic gold coins, mardi gras bead necklaces, bracelets
  - Something to record results from each kid
  
- Bird Arm Band
  - Toilet paper tube
  - Construction paper
  - Googly eyes
  - Colored feathers
  - Colored quills
  - Pipe cleaners
  - Scissors
  - Markers
  - Hole punch
  - Foam paper
  - Hot glue gun with glue sticks
  - Colored circle stickers
  
- Pirate Compass
  - Milk bottle lids (Use the 25 Pieces 48mm Milk Bottle Lids 12oz by DOSTATNI)
  - Floral Wire
  - Pliers
  - Gold Spray Paint
  - Gloss Spray paint finish
  - Paper brads
  - Blue paint
  - Red paint
  - Paint brush

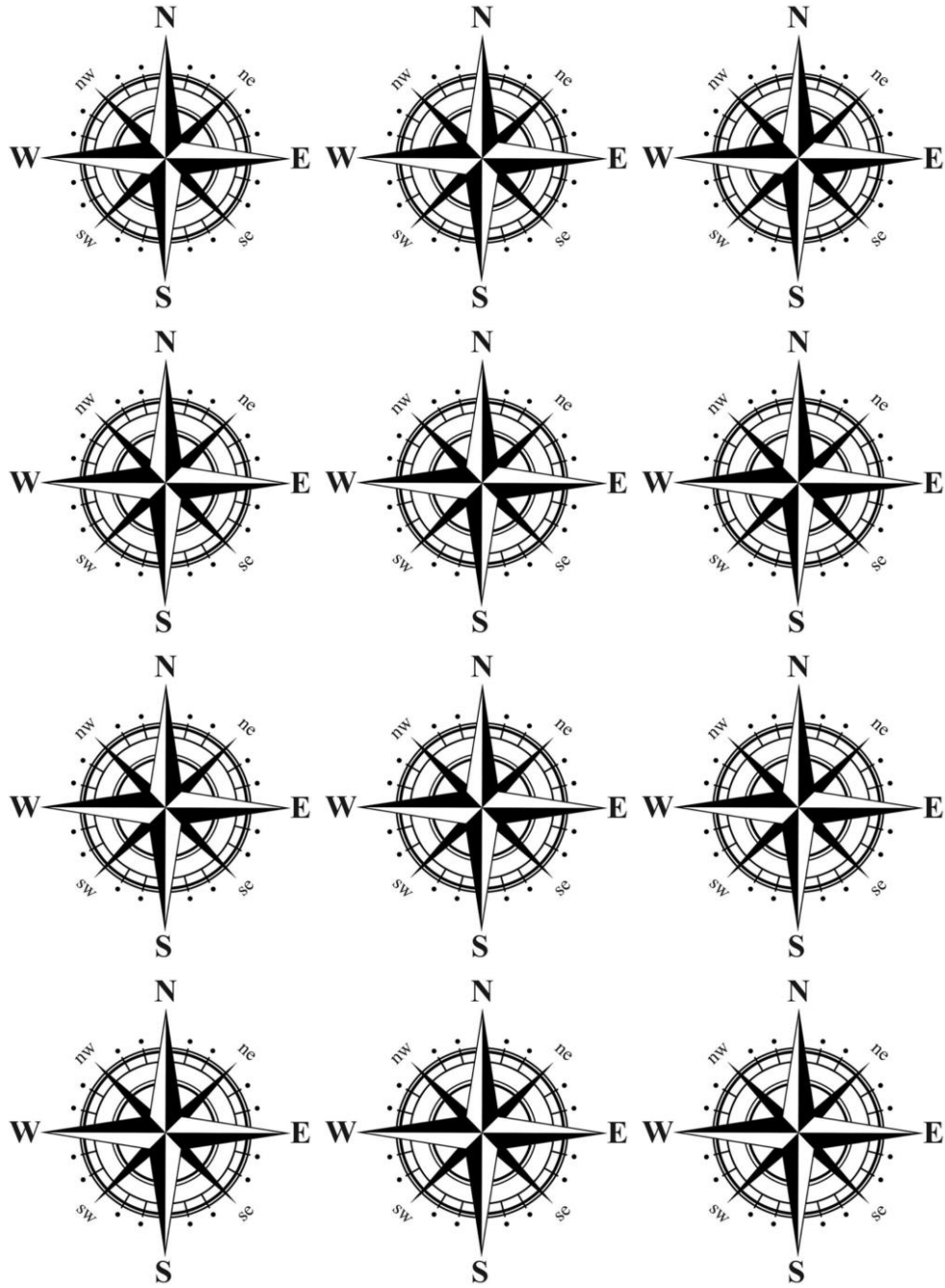


- Mod podge
- Metal hole punch
- Liquid school glue
  
- Buried Treasure Snack
  - Vanilla Pudding cups
  - Graham Crackers
  - Mini Nutter Butter cookies
  - Chocolate candy rocks or rock candy (optional)
  
- Pirate Slime
  - Elmer's Clear School glue
  - Gold mica powder (amazon)
  - Sta-flo liquid starch
  - Red plastic cup
  - Jumbo popsicle sticks
  
- Cannon Ball Toss
  - Black party balloons filled with water
  
- Pirate Obstacle Course
  - Kiddie Pools
  - Wood Plank for the "walk the plank"
  - Balloons
  - Brooms
  - Streamers
  - Chairs
  - Chalk
  - Boxes
  - etc.
  
- Pirate Bottle cap necklace



- Tenn Well 2mm Satin Cord, 295 Feet Black Silky Rattail Nylon Cord for Jewelry Making, Macrame Bracelets, Necklaces, Beading, Arts and Crafts (**Amazon**)
- Pandahall 20pcs Antique Silver Tibetan Style Pirate Style Skull Pendant (24x21x4mm) (**Amazon**)
- Miscellaneous beads
- Scissors
  
- Beach in a Bottle
  - 8 oz plastic water bottles (1 for each kid)
  - Playbox sand
  - Plastic gems
  - Miniature plastic animals
  
- Movie Snacks
  - Goldfish
  - Whales crackers
  - Cheese sticks
  - Pirates booty popcorn
  - Pretzels
  - Etc.





## Egg Carton Treasure Chest



### **Egg Carton Treasure Chest** Pirate Craft Idea

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## Pirate Cork Boats



Red Ted Art

### Pirate Coins



### Wooden Pirate Spoons

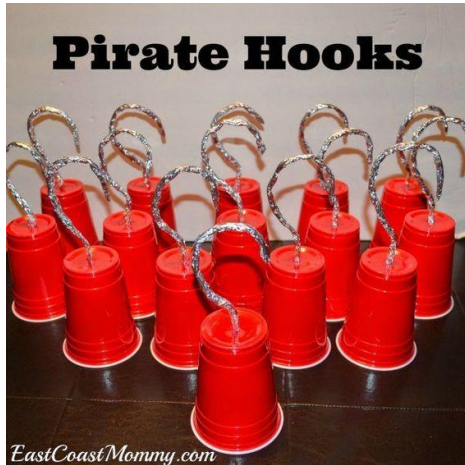


### Pirate Cardboard Tube





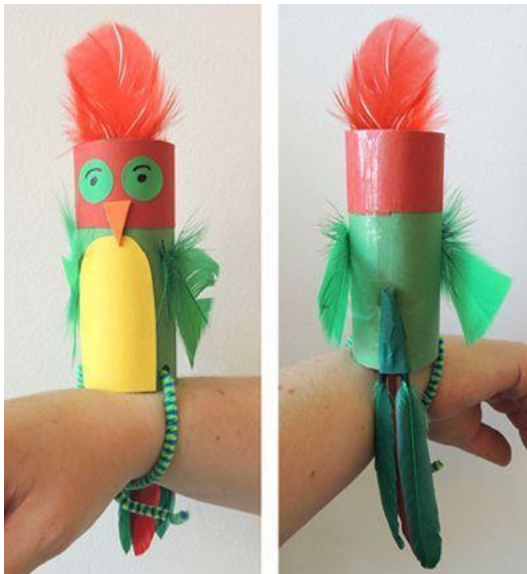
## Pirate Hooks



## Pirate Maps



## Bird Arm Band



## Pirate Compass



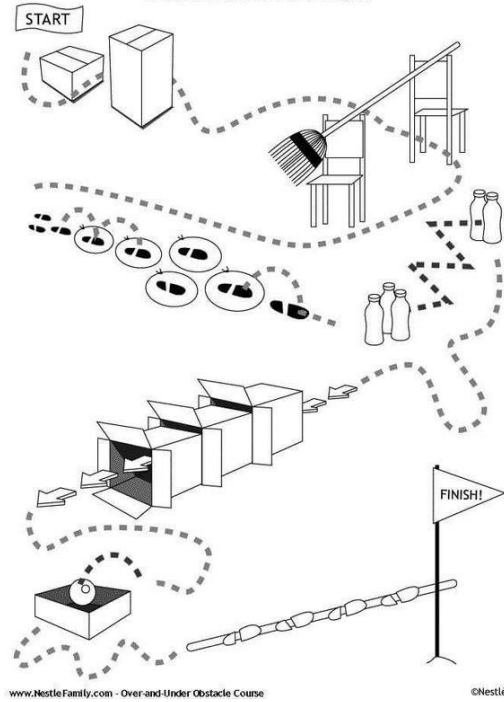
## Cannon Ball Toss



# Priate Obstacle Course



Over-and-Under Obstacle Course Diagram



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Pirate Necklace



## Beach in a Bottle

