

Pirate  
Time!!



# Pirate Time

project pack – toddlers and preschoolers

Take on the role of a zookeeper and/or visitor and discover the zoo world around you from creating a pretend zoo, to creating an animal artwork, to building a zoo small world, to drawing animals and making a book and looking to find zoo animals. This pack is part of a growing bundle of Project Packs. I created this resource for the members of the celebratePLAY community as a tool to support them with daily PLAY in their homes.

In this resource you will find:

- 1 x Dramatic PLAY Idea
    - 1 x Craft Idea
  - 1 x Small World Idea
    - 1 x Art Idea
  - 1 x Fine Motor Idea
- A series of printable resources from walls that teach displays (word wall) to table learning resources to exploring dramatic play when going on a scavenger hunt.
    - A weekly PLAY Planner to plan out the week using these resources.

Our PLAY ideas in this pack are nothing new, they are simple, quick and easy play ideas to boost imagination, creativity, Language and Literacy and explore the world around us while nurturing the flow of PLAY (by having a project to investigate over time).

I hope this resource is helpful when boosting daily play and nurturing the flow of PLAY in your home.

*luv xx*

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*about erin*

Hi there!! I'm Erin, teacher (EC and Primary), Mum (of 2), wife, smoothie obsessed, organisational nerd and soon to be your greatest PLAYmate...the one that will share:

- play ideas with you
- the one that will support you in creating play systems and play spaces that fit YOUR life
- the playmate that will celebrate the PLAY wins with YOU and
- the one that will empower YOU to totally rock this motherhood PLAY gig thing - it's a REAL \*thing\*♡.

*play notes*

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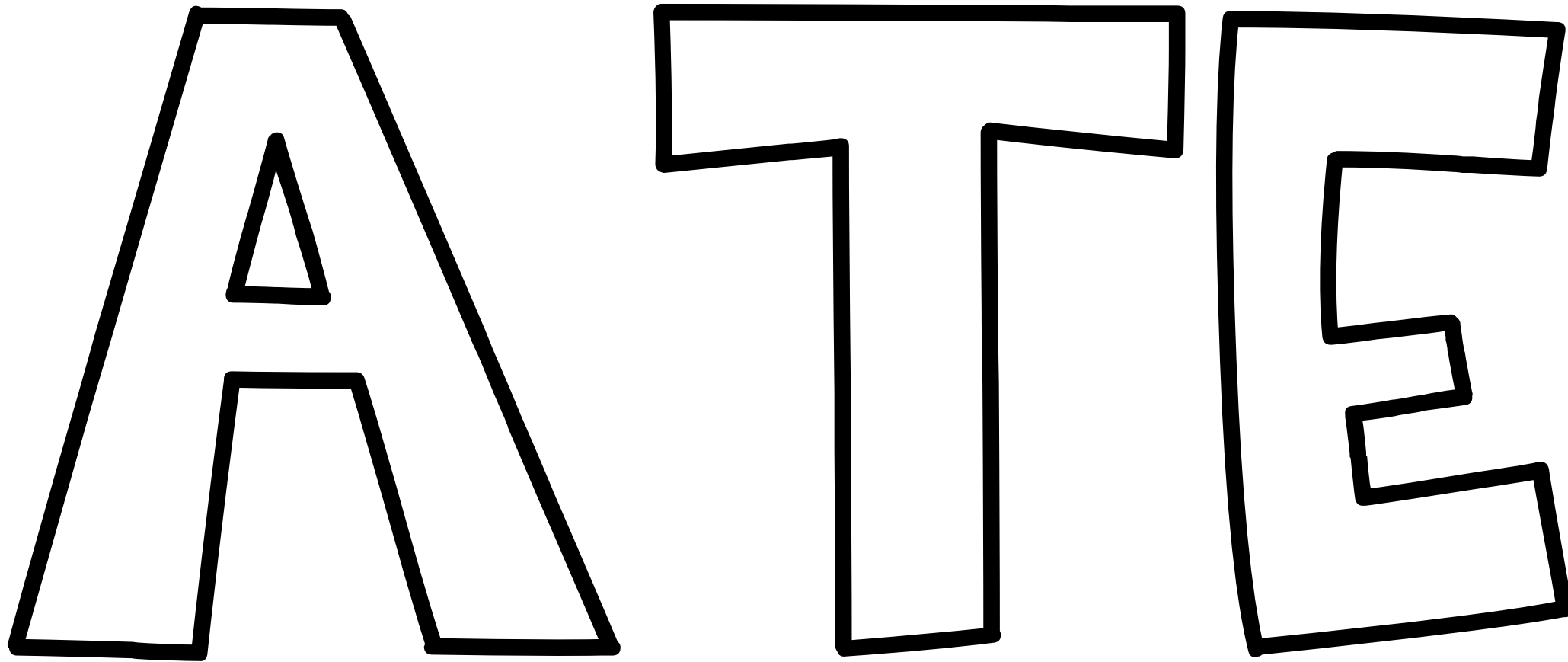
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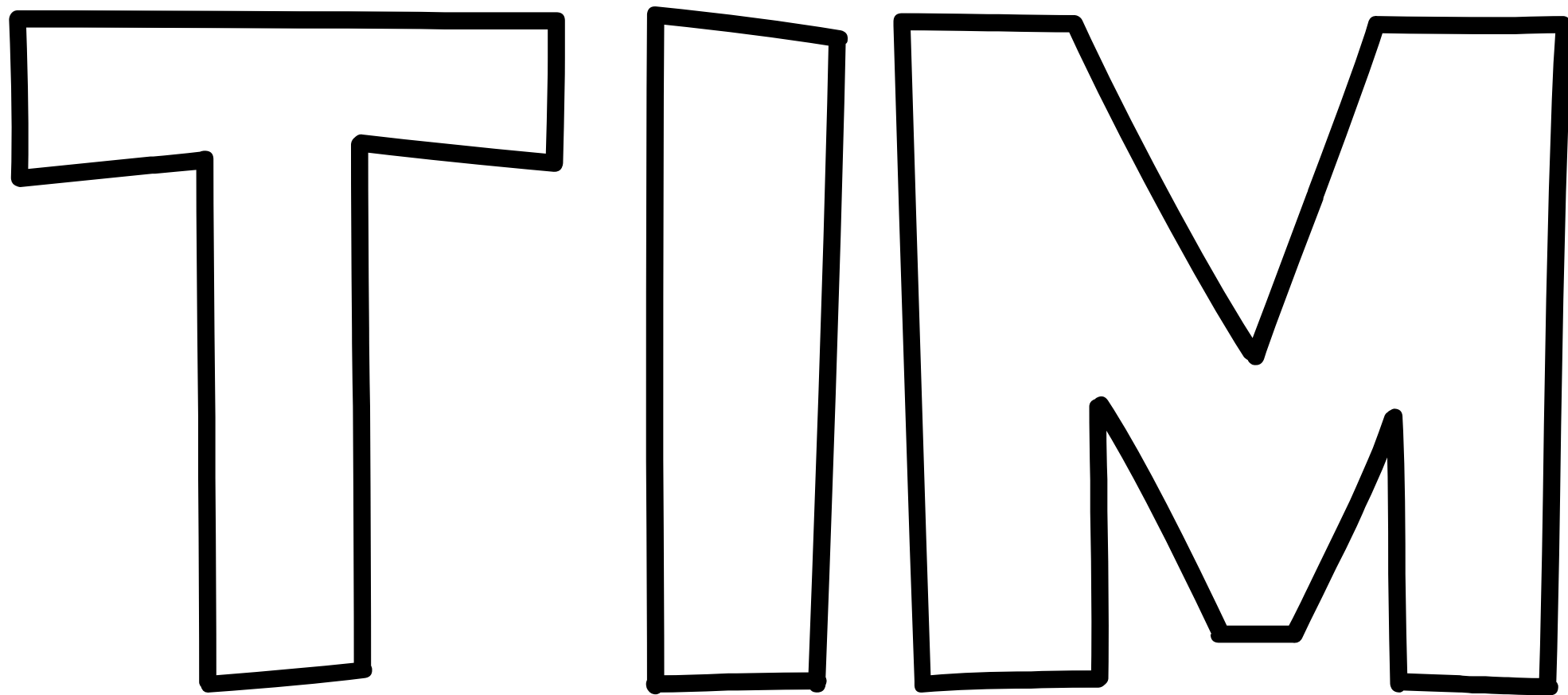


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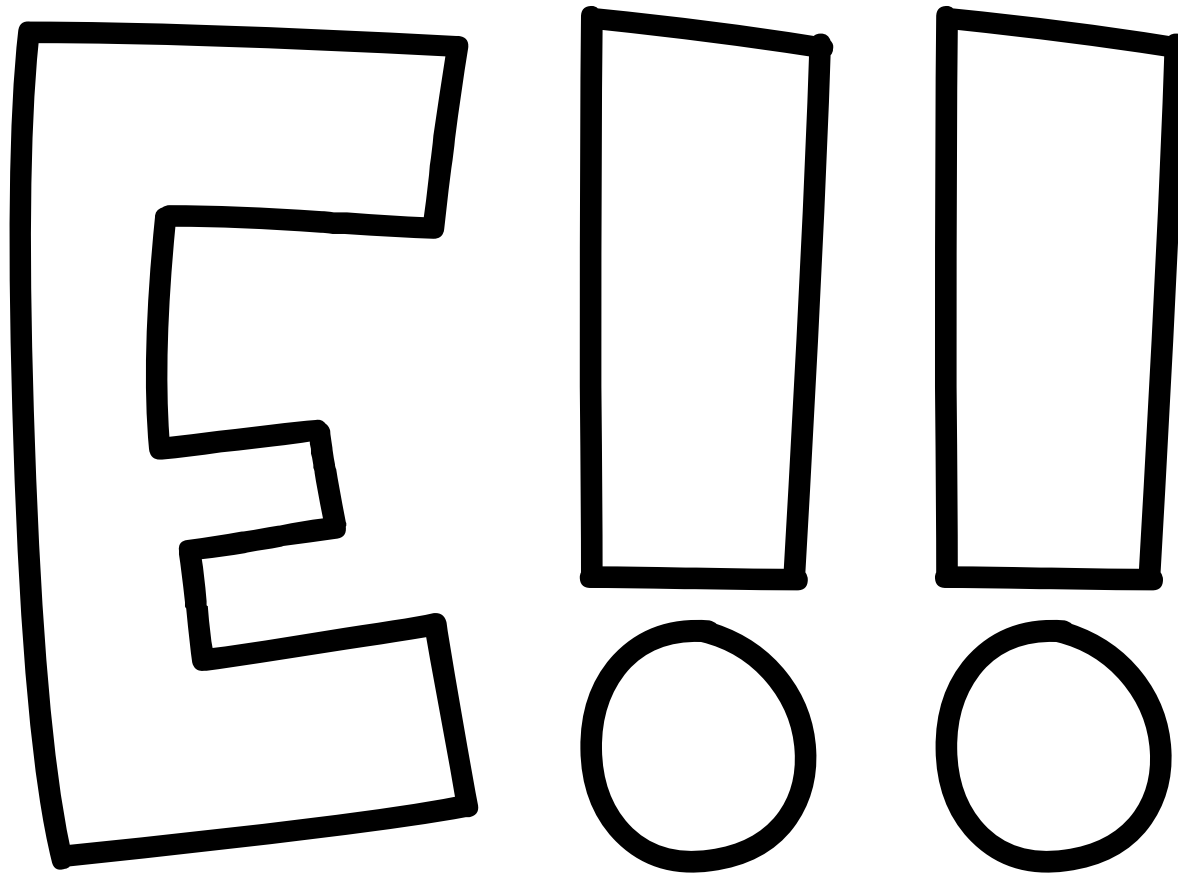
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## Pirate Time Word Cards

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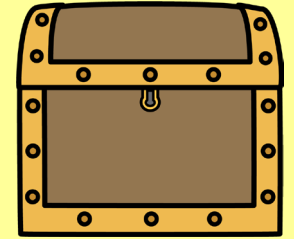


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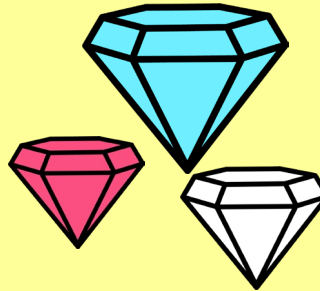
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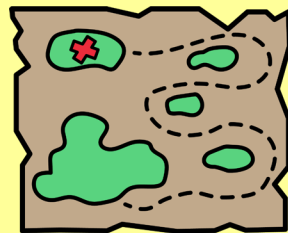
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discovering



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digging



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sand



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pour



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five



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six



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nine



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seven



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ten



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eight



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counting



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## Pirate Time Word Cards

Print on paper and laminate for durability to create your very own card set.

- You will need:
- Pirate Hat (next slide)
  - Treasure map Printable (following slide)
    - Treasure Map (make your own)
    - Clue Cards (following slides)
  - Telescope (Optional - Bonus Idea)

#### METHOD

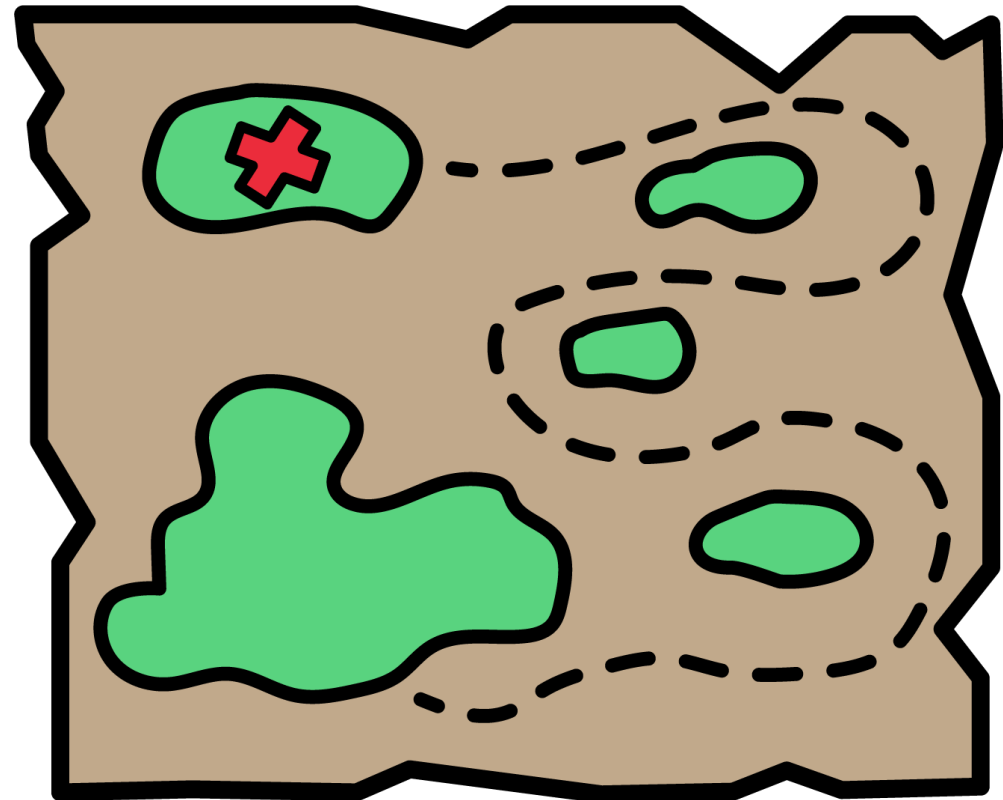
1. Set up the with Pirate Time banner and word cards.
2. Dress up as a pirate with your treasure map, hat and telescope.
3. Read clue cards and look for treasure.
4. Take photos and add to the wall of the Pirate Time area.

#### PREPRATION WORK before doing this task

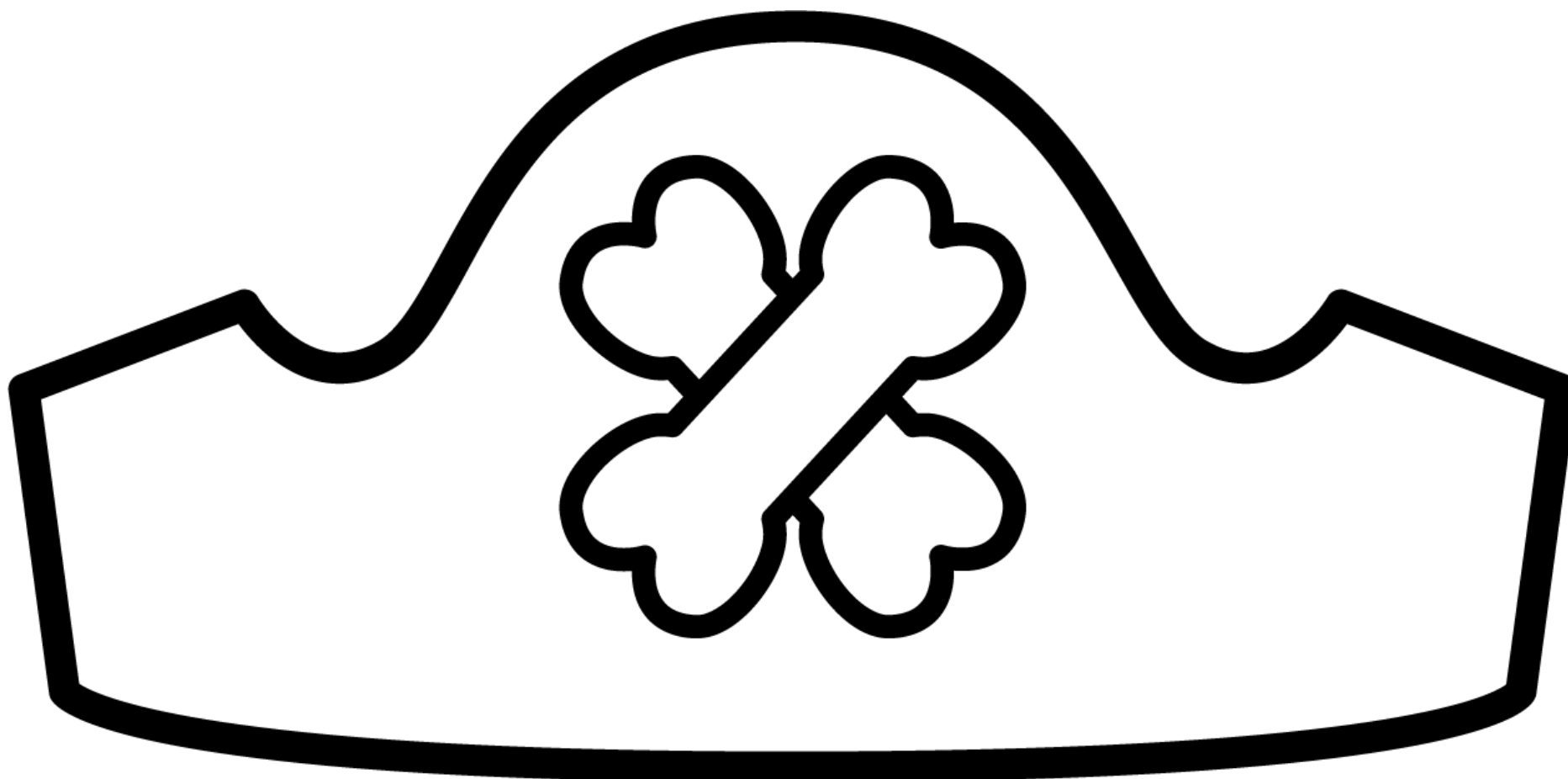
1. Hide some toys (aka treasure) around the home for your little learner to discover. Look at the clue cards to know which toys to hide ahead of time.

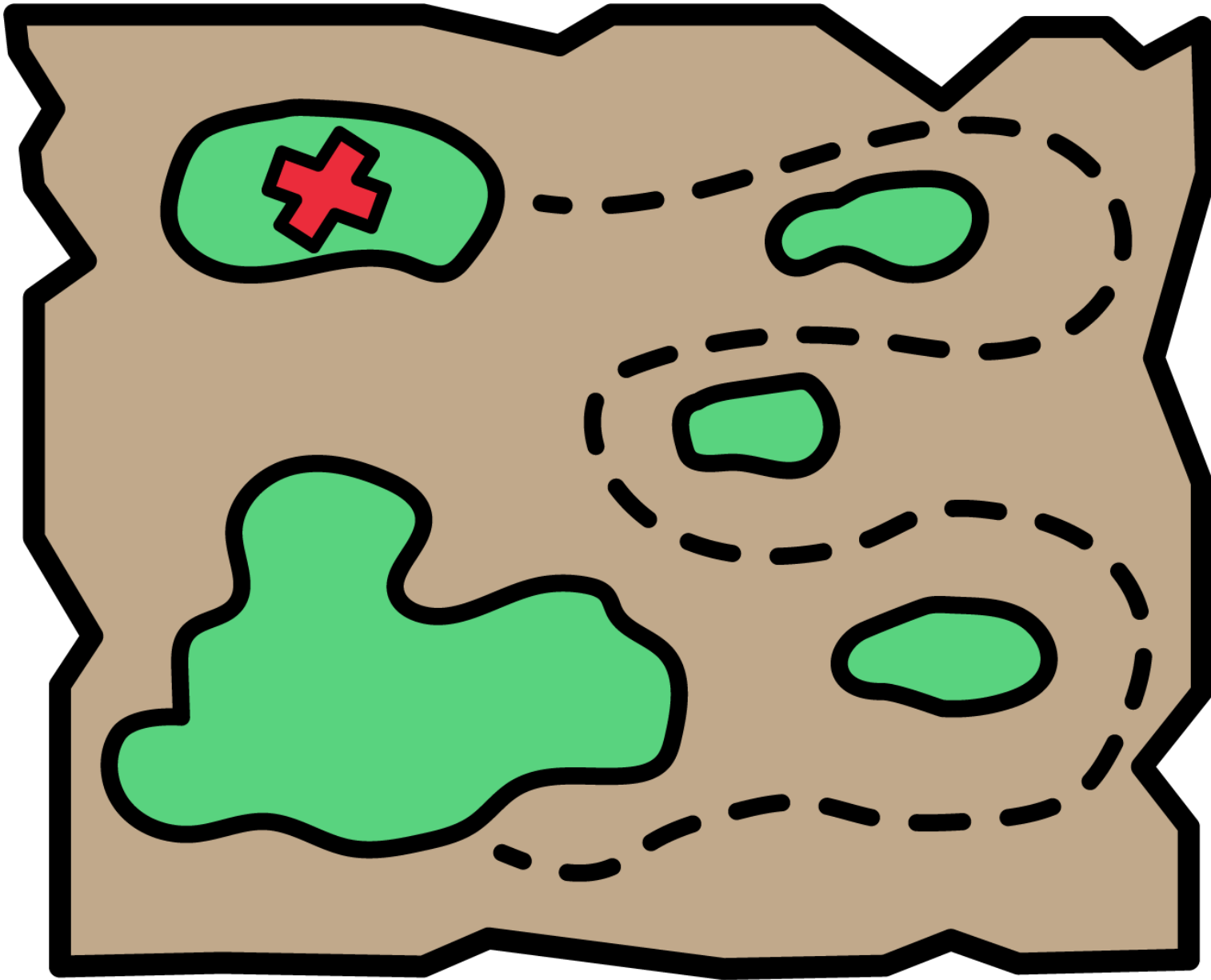
# Pirate Time #1

## Dramatic PLAY - Treasure Map Scavenger Hunt



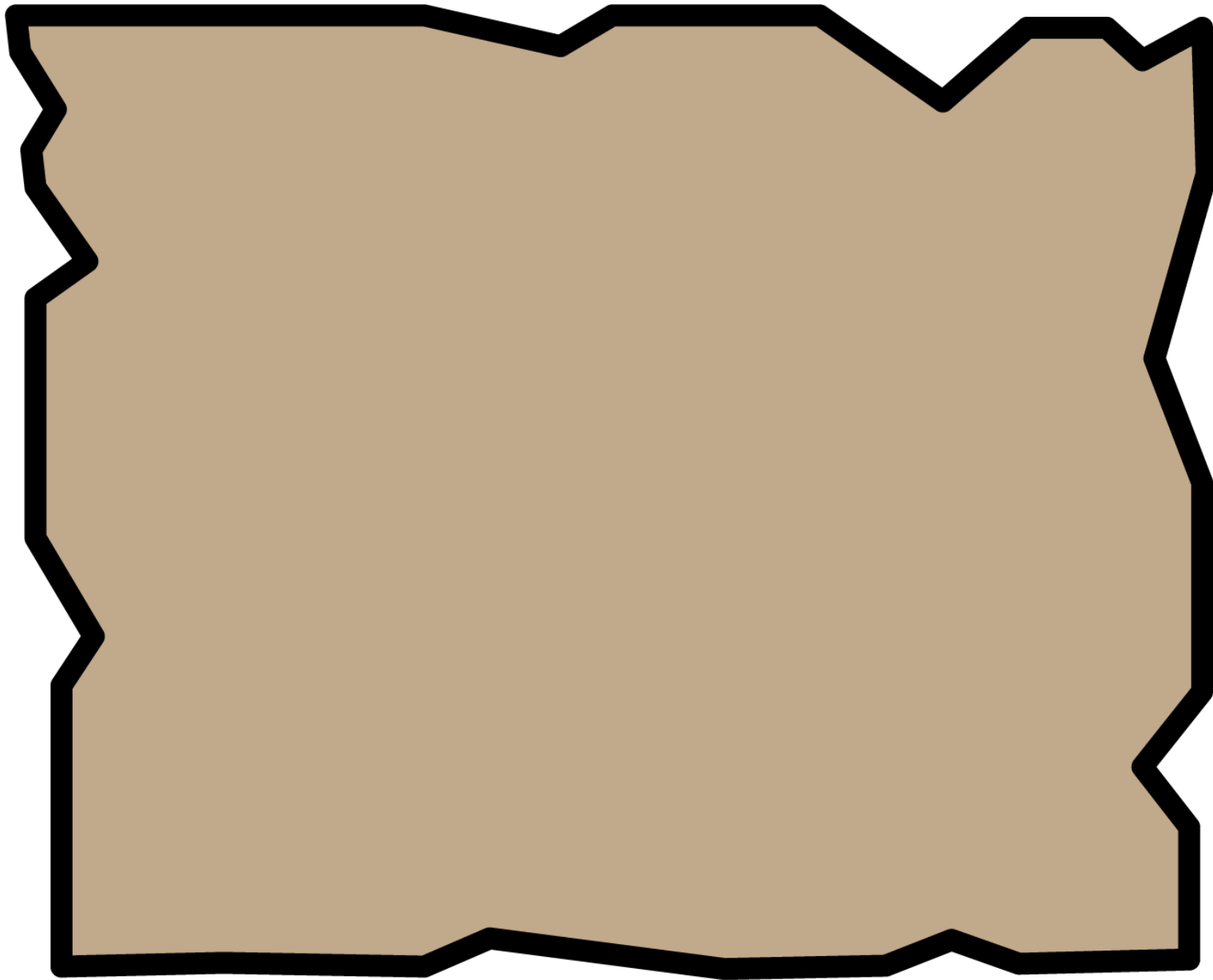
Colour and cut this pirate hat and use as a prop while on the scavenger hunt.





Use this map as a Pirate Time prop while on the scavenger hunt.





Use this template to draw your own treasure map for Pirate Time play.

# Pirate Time #1

## Dramatic PLAY - Treasure Map Scavenger Hunt Clue Cards

### Clue Card #1

I am something soft and fluffy and am often something you carry around.

A – comforter (like a personal treasure).

### Clue Card #2

I am green and something that grows in the yard.

A – grass, tree, flower or plant

### Clue Card #3

I am filled with words and have a cover.

A – book ( a pirate book would be a great link).

### Clue Card #4

I am something you rest your head on when you are feeling tired.

A – pillow/cushion

### Clue Card #5

I am something you use to build with in play time.

A – blocks

# Pirate Time #1

Dramatic PLAY - Telescope Craft BONUS Idea

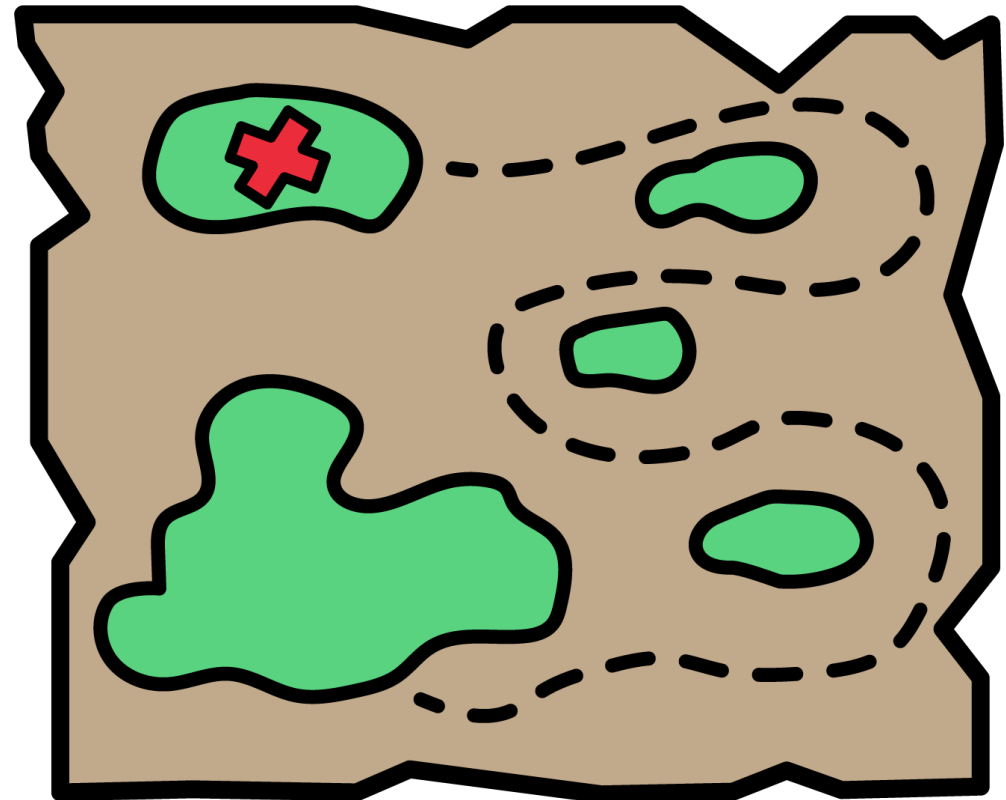
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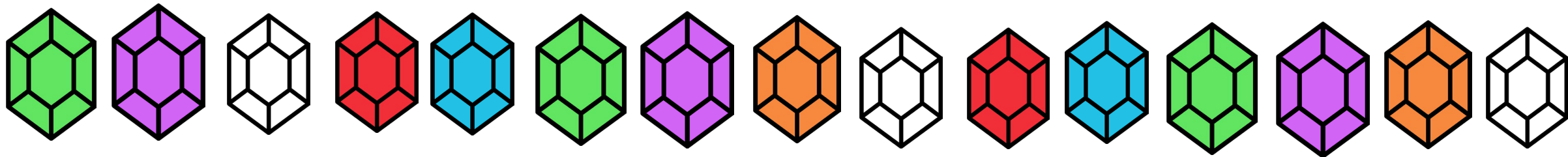
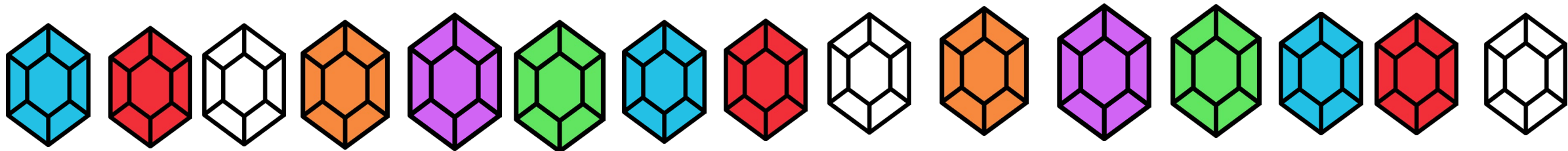
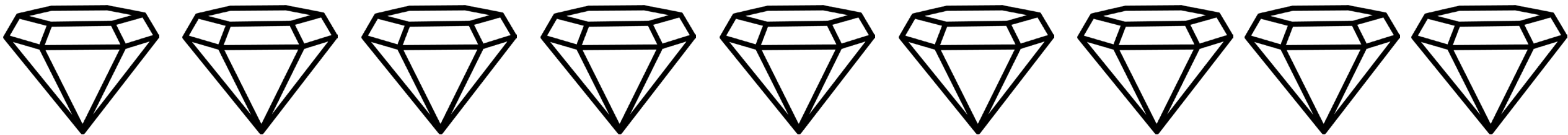
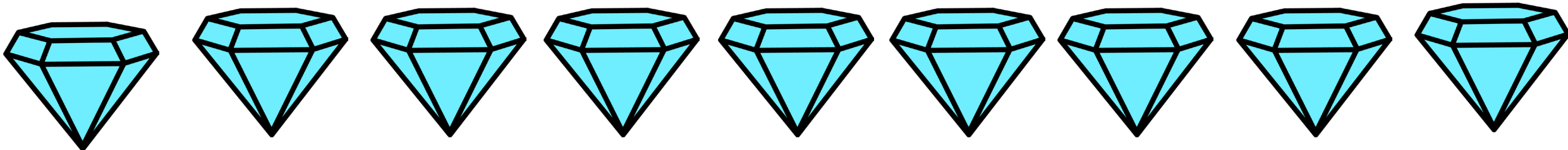
- Cardboard cylinder (cut to suitable size for a telescope)
  - Black paper
- Jewels template (next slide)
  - Glue
  - Scissors

## METHOD

1. Cover the cardboard cylinder with black paper.
2. Cut out the jewels and paste them onto the telescope.
3. Use telescope as a prop when engaging in Pirate Time.

WARNING – be mindful of your little learners walking with a telescope to their eye. I recommend children stop moving whilst using the telescope.





# Pirate Time #2

## Sensory PLAY Idea

You will need:

- A tub/tray/treasure chest
- PLAY Sand (We use the playsand from Bunnings - a local hardware store)
  - Scoops (toy spades)
- Jewels (jumbo sized sequins – check out CleverPatch)

### METHOD

1. Place sand in the base of the the tub/tray/treasure chest.
2. Bury the jewels in the sand
3. Place scoops (spades) into the sand so learners can see the handle.
4. Encourage learners to dig and scoop for treasure (aka jewels).
5. Take photos and add them to your Pirate time area.
6. Tag celebrate \_play on Insta to have your set up featured in Stories.



You will need:

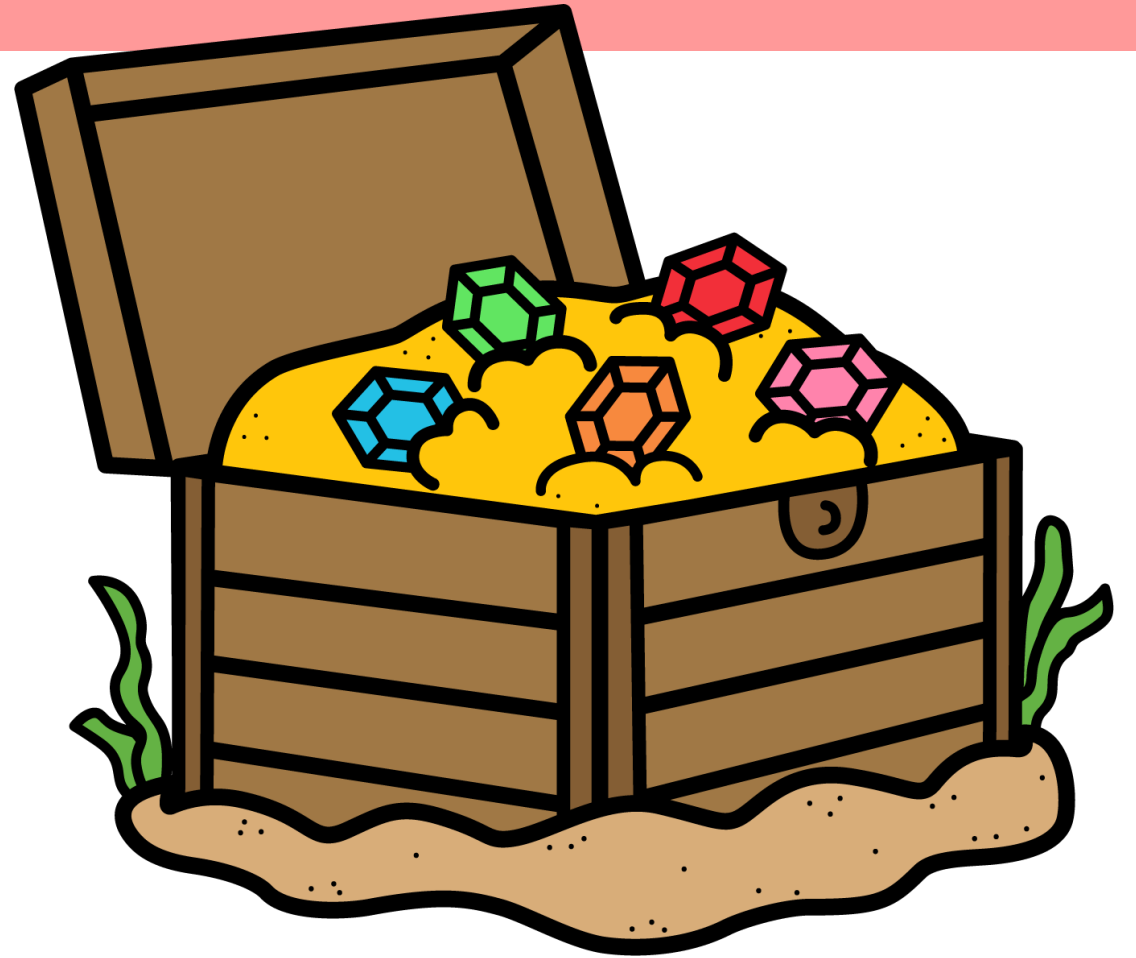
- Playdough(store bought or DIY).
- Playdough Mats (next slides)

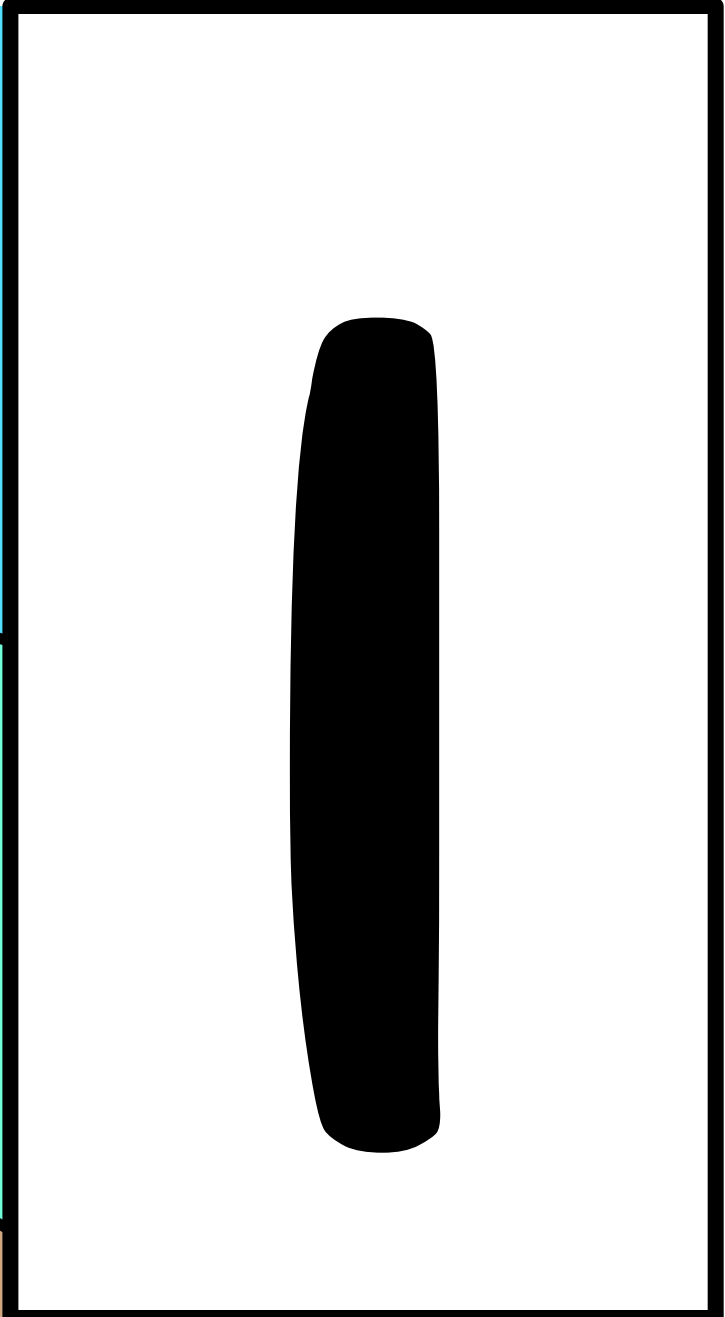
#### METHOD

1. Place playdough mats onto the play surface.
2. Place playdough into balls next to the mats.
3. Have the number 1 playdough mat on top/in front and have the playdough rolled to cover the number one. This will act as an example of what your little learners will/can do.

# Pirate Time #3

## Sensory PLAY - Playdough Number Mats





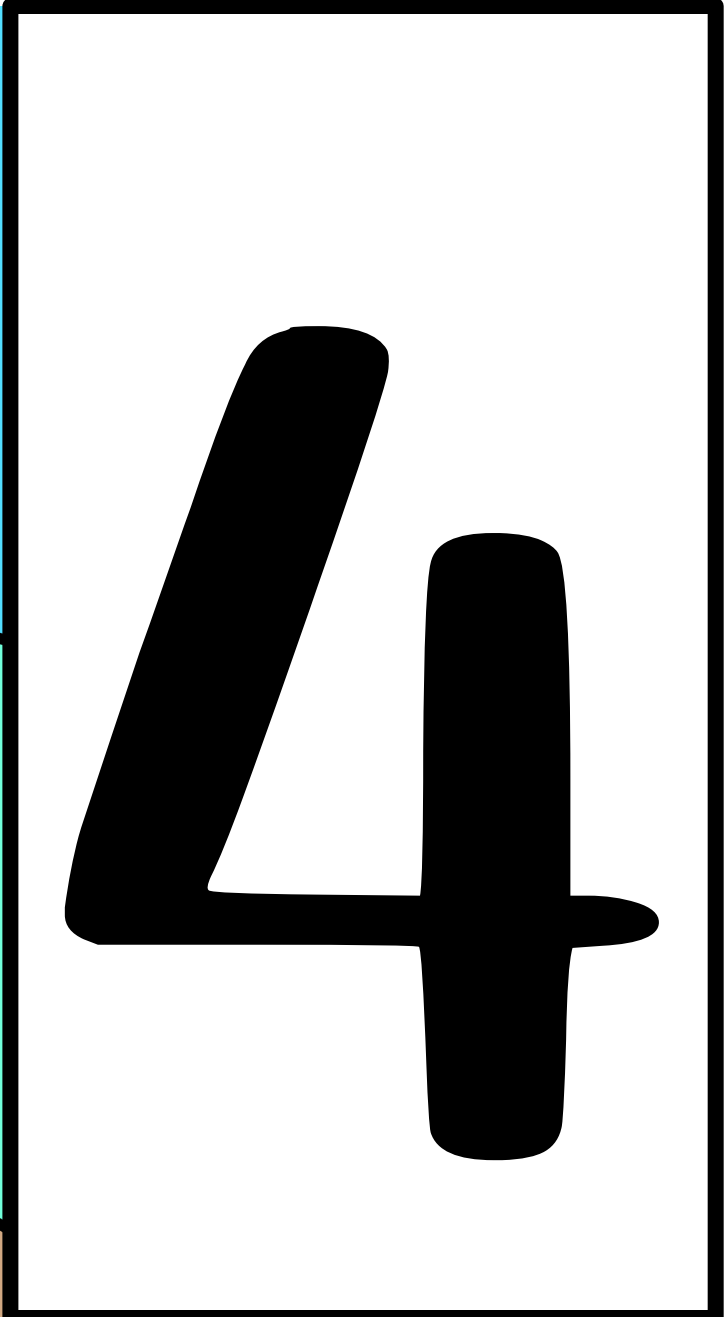


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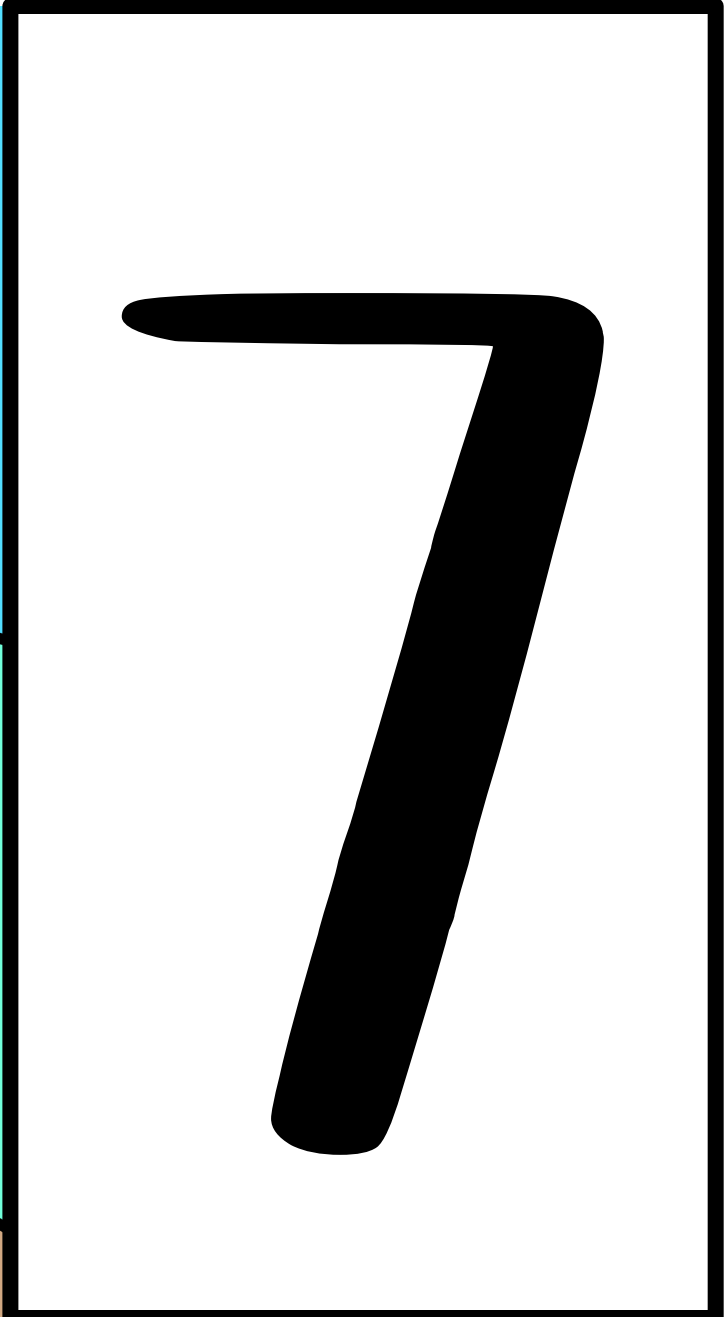


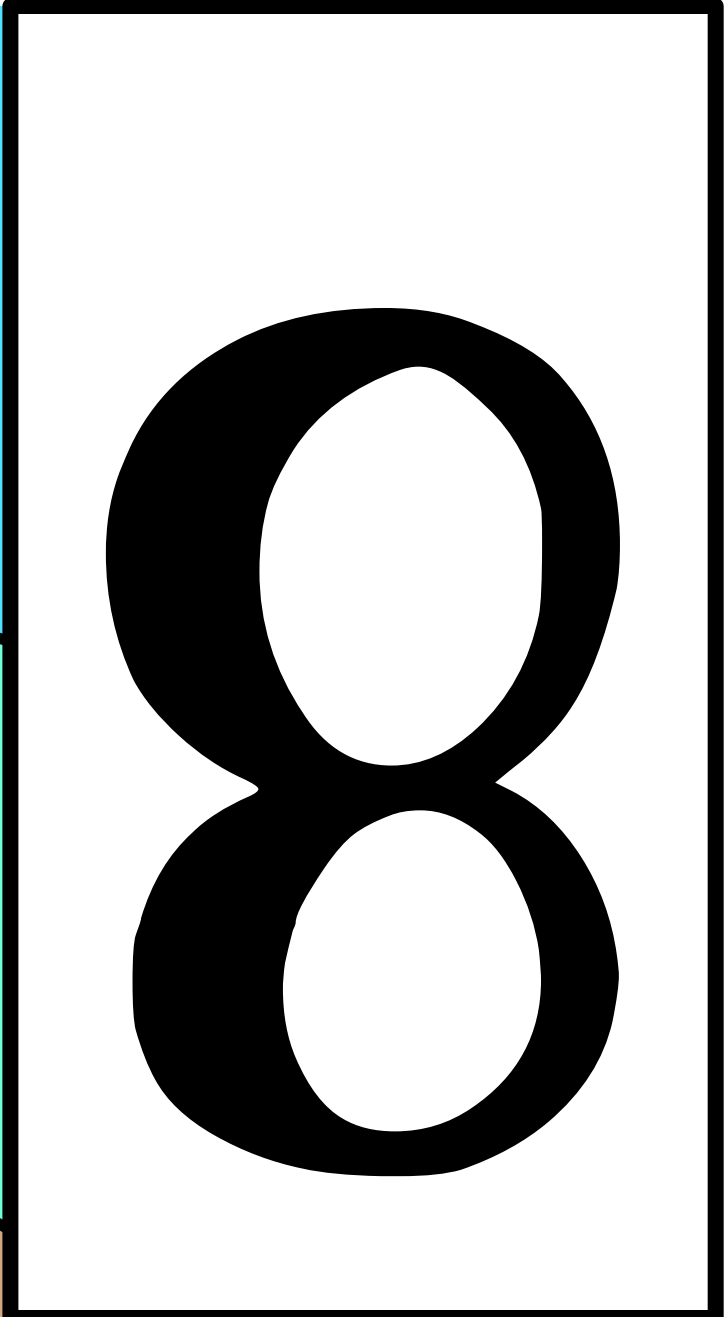


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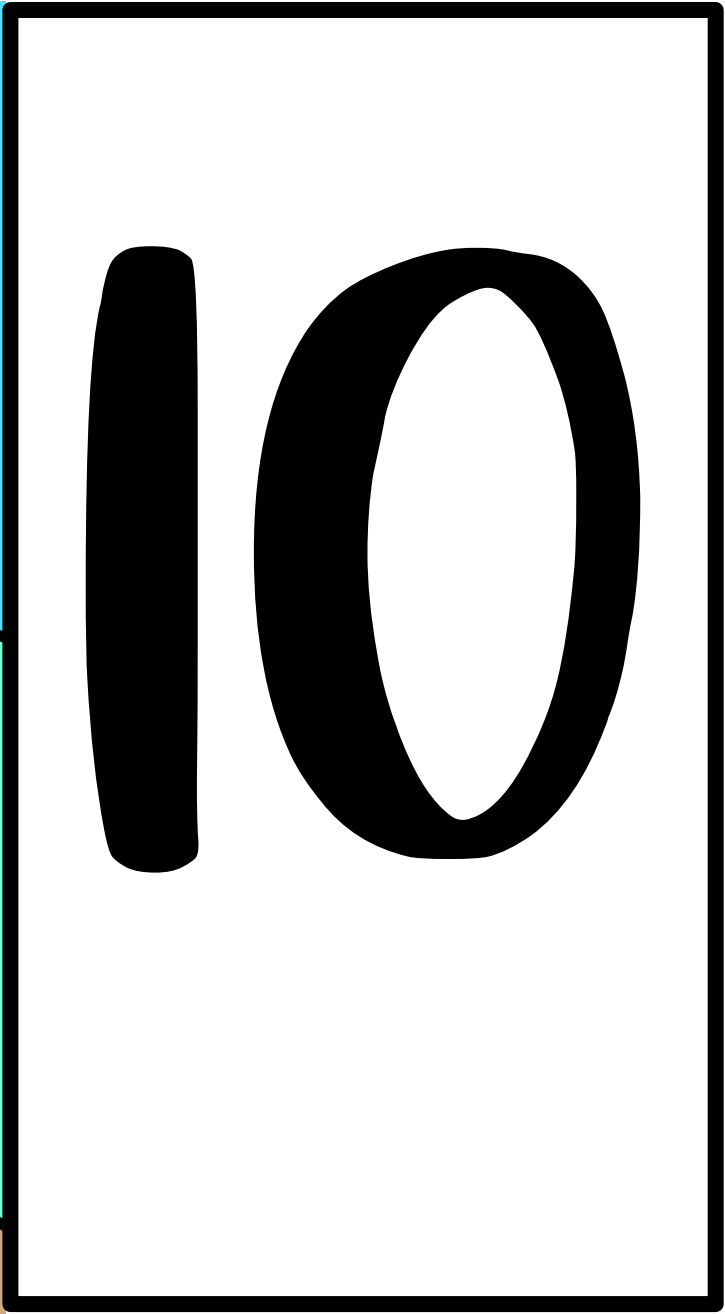
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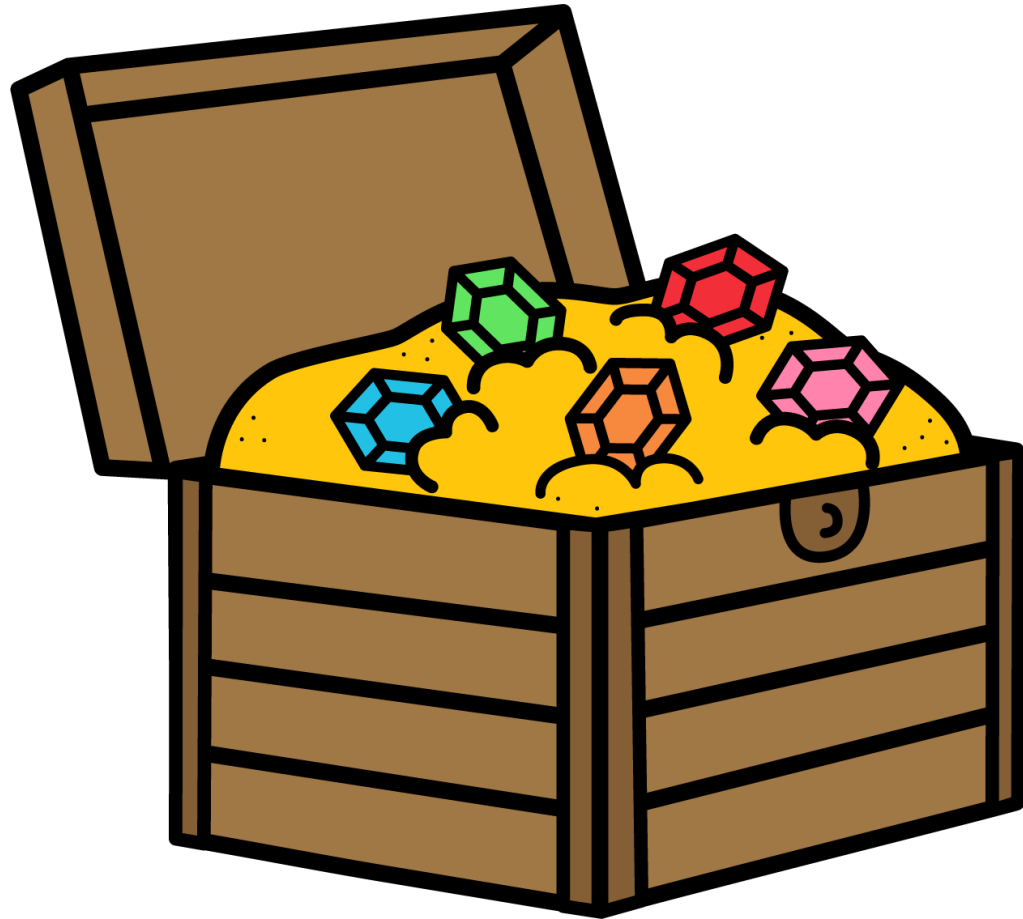
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# Pirate Time #4

## Craft Idea



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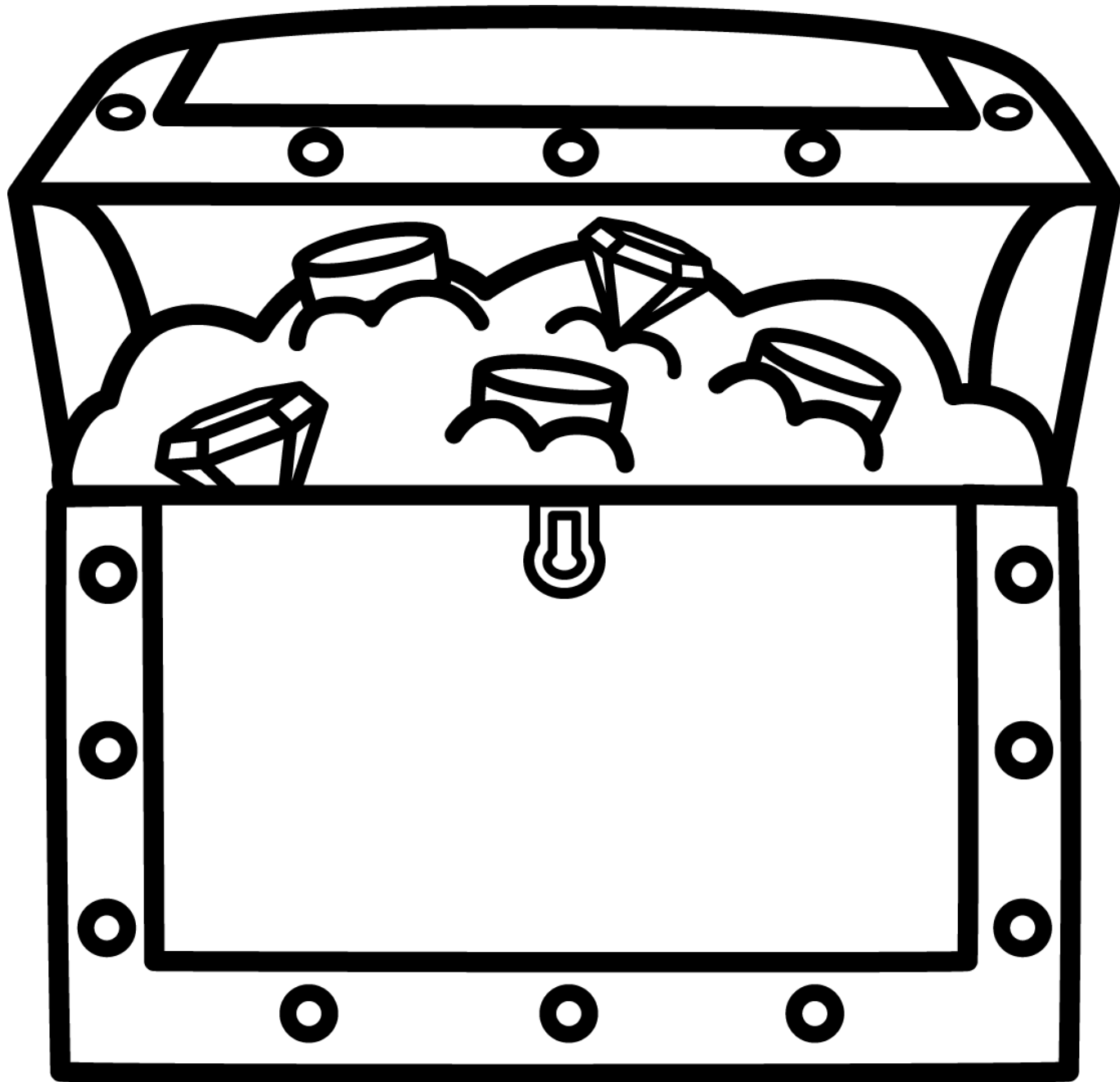
- Treasure Chest Template (next slide)
- Dot Stickers or Dot Stampers
  - Crepe paper
  - Glue
  - Scissors

### METHOD

1. Print treasure chest template out to the size you would like.
2. Place dot sticker or dot markers into the treasure chest to make your very own treasure.

MODIFICATION IDEA – Peel off the backing paper of dot stickers so little learners can simply peel off the dot sticker with greater ease.

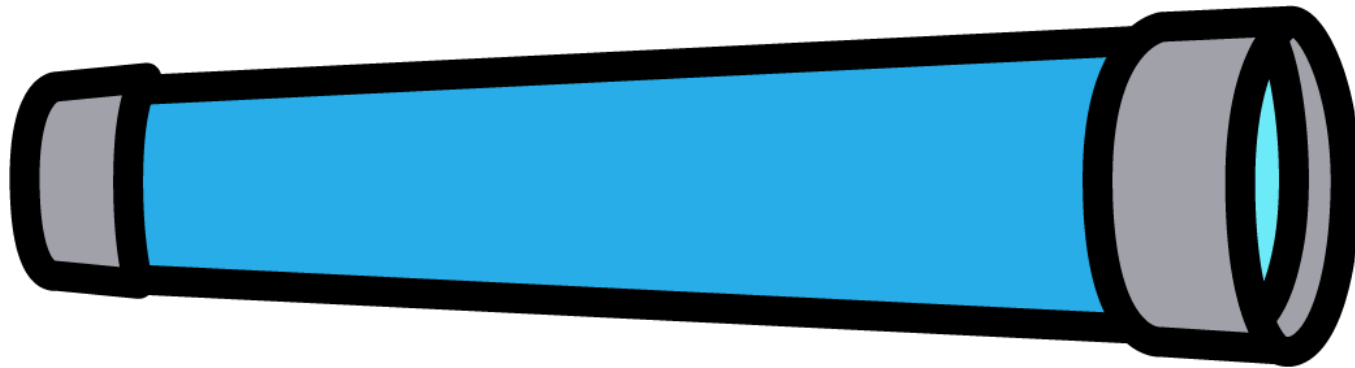
EXTENSION IDEA – Cut up coloured crepe paper into small squares and learners scrunch it up into a ball and cover their treasure chest with these.



Use this template to craft your own treasure for Pirate Time play.

# Pirate Time #5

Fine Motor PLAY Idea



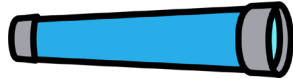
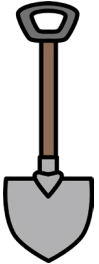
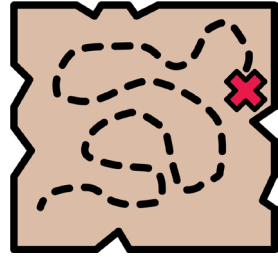
You will need:

- I spy Printable
- Whiteboard Marker or pencils
- OPTIONAL – laminating pouches and laminator

## METHOD

1. Print the I Spy printable.
  2. Look at the word list and find the matching picture.
  3. Tick off the word/picture when it has been found.
- OPTIONAL – use telescope prop for searching pictures.  
WARNING – please ensure using a telescope is safe for your learner.

Look at the words below and find the matching pictures.  
Remember to tick of the word in the boxes below when  
you have found the picture.



- jewel
- sunken ship
- treasure map
- spade
- telescope
- treasure chest
- pirate
- pirate hat
- palm tree



# Tea Party Time

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