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Theme: Treasure Island

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Monday

Treasure Time Capsule – Activity

Supplies

- A small box or container
- Scissors
- Magazines, photographs, other books, quotes, computer printouts, newspaper articles, etc.
- Permanent markers, Glue sticks, or anything to decorate the box

Instructions

- 1. Decorate the box/container any way you would like and include the date of when you will close it.
- 2. Gather any important things during this time images, quotes, articles, small items, etc., and place them into the box. If you would like friends and family to also place things in the time capsule let them create a bundle to be placed in.
- 3. Hide or bury the box or container somewhere (just don't forget where) and set a reminder for a future date to open it. If you invited family and friends to add things, let them know when you are opening it.

Sea-view Telescope – Arts & Crafts

Supplies

- Paper cup
- Paper towel roll
- Blue food colouring
- A small see-through cylindrical container with lid that is a little bigger than the opening in the paper towel roll
- Acrylic paint
- Glue gun
- Tape (electrical tape works great!)
- Items to decorate the outside of the telescope

- 1. Fill your plastic container 1/4 with water and add one drop of blue food colouring. Seal it shut with a glue gun and/or electrical tape so it doesn't leak
- 2. On the outside of the container, use acrylic paints to draw a scene.

- 3. Now place the paper towel roll on the bottom of the cup and trace around the roll and cut that circle out so the roll can fit through the cup.
- 4. Once the roll is inserted into the cup, glue gun the small container onto the end of the paper towel roll that is inside the cup. The container will now be inside the cup, and it will hold the paper towel roll together with the cup.
- 5. Paint your telescope, add sticky-backed fun foam to jazz it up, add a skull and bones, sequins, rick-rack, or other stickers etc.
- 6. Search for buried treasure!

Pirate Hook – Arts & Crafts

Supplies

- Disposable Plastic Cup or Sturdy Paper Cup or Styrofoam
- Aluminum Foil
- Black Duct Tape
- Scissors

Instructions

- 1. You will need to punch a hole in the bottom of the cup using scissors
- 2. Then I started wrapping strips of duct tape around the hole.
- Once the top is covered in tape, start working the tape around the cup (remember the cup is on a slant) I found it easier to work with smaller pieces of tape.
- 4. Next the hook- grab sheet pan's length worth of tin foil and roll into skinny cylinder and insert it through the hole you made in your cup. Then shape you hook. Inside the cup there will be a foil "handle" for your pirate to hold onto.
- 5. "Arghhh"...You have a super awesome pirate hook for your next adventure.

Tuesday

Treasure Island – Outdoor/Indoor Activity

Supplies

- Paper, rope or pillows
- Treasure items you can pretend are treasure

- 1. Create Islands with either paper, rope, or pillows
- 2. Get the campers to move from island to island by hooping, skipping, running, crawling and find the treasures.
- 3. To make it more challenge set a time to complete the treasure hunt.

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Walk the Plank – Sensory Activity

Supplies

- Blue water beads
- Large bin
- Water
- Cardboard
- Scissors
- Shark & Pirate figurines *optional

Instructions

- 1. In a large bin pour 1 cup of water and the water beads
- 2. Watch the water beads grow
- 3. Cut the cardboard so that it can fit across the bin, acting as the plank.
- 4. Add shark figures to the water beads and make your pirates walk the plank!

Hand Pirate – Arts & Crafts

Supplies

- Red, black, white & skin coloured paint
- Black sharpie
- 1 googly eye
- White & black paper

Instructions

- 1. Start by painting your child's fingers with black paint, excluding the thumb. After that use the skin colored paint for the middle and do a line of red above that.
- 2. Have them press hard down onto a piece of white paper.
- 3. While the paint dries, cut out a pirate hat with black paper and paint white bones on it.
- 4. Glue on the googly eye and draw the pirate's eye patch!
- 5. Finish off the pirate with a big smile

Wednesday

Popsicle Pirate Ship – Arts & Crafts

Supplies

- Jumbo Popsicle Sticks {body of the boat, as well as the flag pole}
- Regular Sized Popsicle Sticks {the flag and sides of the ship}
- Scissors
- School Glue
- Red/Black/Brown Craft Paint

- Paint Brushes
- White Cardstock

Instructions

- 1. First assemble the base of your ship by gluing together a basic popsicle stick frame/fence {5 jumbo sticks laid next to each other and two regular size popsicle sticks, one on each side, to anchor everything together}
- 2. Next glue down the jumbo popsicle stick to the center of the boat to create the flag pole. Finish it off by gluing six popsicle sticks in a line, to create a flag from the flag pole. Set it all aside to let it dry completely.
- 3. Now grab your paint and add your personal touches. We did the boat in brown and did the flag in a black/red alternating pattern. Set aside to let it dry completely.
- 4. Once dry, grab your white cardstock and cut out a pirate skull design from it.
- 5. To finish off the Popsicle Stick Pirate Ship craft, have children glue the cardstock piece in the center of the flag.
- 6. Then display proudly!!

Fizzy Pirate Treasure Hunt – Sensory Play

Supplies

- Baking soda
- Water
- Jell-O powder (optional)
- Pennies or other coins
- Glitter
- Craft Gems
- Spray bottles
- Vinegar
- Trays or Bins
- Ice Cube Tray

- 1. Mix 3 parts baking soda, 1 part water, and Jell-O powder as desired. This particular mix ensures the solution freezes solid and comes out of the ice cube trays in the desired shape.
- 2. After you mix up a batch of the icy and fizzing solution, it's time to fill the ice cube trays. Fill them halfway.
- 3. Once that's done, add little "treasures". I've used pennies, beads, craft gems, etc.
- 4. Fill the ice cube trays the rest of the way. You can add some glitter
- 5. Then into the freezer! I let the treasure chests freeze overnight
- 6. Put the frozen pirate chests out on trays or in bins. Place squeeze bottles filled with vinegar for the camper to use.

Walk the Plank Jell-O - Snack

Supplies

- Cup
- Bowl
- Water
- Blue Jell-O
- Swedish fish gummies
- Shark gummies
- Gram crackers

Instructions

- 1. Follow the instructions to make the Jell-O
- 2. Add in your shark and fish gummies to make it seem like the Jell-O is the ocean.
- 3. Once ready, place the Jell-O mix in to cups and place a gram cracker across the cup, making it the plank.
- 4. Walk the plank and dive into the delicious snack!

Thursday

Hawaiian Island Mini Pizza – Snack

Supplies

- 4 English muffins, split
- ¹/₂ cup canned pizza sauce
- 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- Pineapple pieces
- Ham pieces

Instructions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C).
- 2. Place the English muffin halves cut side up onto a baking sheet. Spoon some of the pizza sauce onto each one.
- 3. Top with mozzarella cheese, pineapple and ham.
- 4. Bake for 10 minutes in the preheated oven, or until the cheese is melted and browned on the edges.

Pirate Soup – Sensory Play

Supplies

- Water
- Gold coins
- Acrylic gems/diamonds

- Foam pirates or other pirate figurines (optional)
- Bowl
- Kitchen utensils: whisk, ladle, and large spoon, but measuring cups, measuring spoons, etc.

Instructions

- 1. Simply toss everything into a bowl, and have the kids use the different kitchen utensils to mix the pirate soup
- 2. Then put the pirate soup in a bowl

Toilet Roll Pirate – Arts & Crafts

Supplies

- Toilet Paper Roll or Craft Tube
- Colorful Craft Paper or Construction Paper
- Craft Glue
- Scissors
- Colorful Marker Pens
- Printable Toilet Paper Roll Pirate Template

Instructions

- 1. You will need to cut out the different pieces on brightly colored construction paper. Use the Tissue Paper Roll Pirate Template to cut the shapes
- 2. Next you will want to glue the white skull and bones on the pirate's hat.
- 3. You'll want to use a marker to draw an outline on the pirate's head bandanna. Then, glue the black stripes horizontally on the white rectangular piece. Try to keep equal distance between the strips.
- 4. Now, take the blue rectangular piece and glue it around the bottom side of the tissue paper roll.
- 5. Take the black and white piece and glue around the tissue paper roll right above the blue piece.
- 6. Next you'll want to take the pirate's eye patch and glue it on the top side of the tissue paper roll. Glue the head bandanna right above the eye patch around the tissue paper roll.
- 7. Take the pirate's hat and glue it on the top of the tissue paper roll and slightly overlap it with the head bandanna.
- 8. To finish off your pirate use a black marker pen to draw a smile on the pirate's face

Friday

Treasure Slime – Sensory Play

Supplies

- Bowl
- Liquid starch
- Gold glitter
- Food colouring (yellow)
- White glue
- Plastic gems *optional

Instructions

- 1. Pour 1/4 cup of liquid starch into a large bowl.
- 2. Add gold glitter and food colouring or liquid watercolor to the starch and mix well.
- 3. Add 2.5 oz of clear glue to the liquid starch.
- 4. Start mixing with your hands! The mixing might take a while and the gel may get stringy. Don't worry - just keep mixing and eventually the mixture will really feel like slime!

Finger Pirate Puppet – Arts & Crafts

Supplies

- Blue, black, white and tan cardstock
- Yarn for hair
- Small googly eyes
- Markers
- White chalk marker
- 3/4" circle hole punch
- Scissors
- Glue

- 1. To make your pirate finger puppets you'll need to cut out a few circles, one tan circle, one white circle and one blue circle.
- 2. Cut the blue circle in half as you'll only need half.
- 3. You will also need to cut out two arms from white cardstock, two hands from tan cardstock and a black pirate hat.
- 4. Now it's time to assemble your pirate finger puppet. Glue the blue half circle at the bottom of your white circle. 5. Then use your 3/4-inch circle punch to punch two holes at the bottom of your puppet.
- 5. Use your markers to draw stripes on your pirate shirt and your two shirt arms.
- 6. Glue your pirate face, pirate hat, arms and hands onto your pirate puppet.
- 7. Glue googly eyes on your pirate face and use your markers to draw facial features like a nose, mouth and beard stubble.
- 8. Glue small sections of yarn hair underneath your pirate hat.
- 9. Now finish your pirate finger puppets by drawing a skull and bones in the center of your pirate hat.

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Walk the Plank – Indoor/ Outdoor Activity

Supplies

- Masking tape
- Bean bags or rice in a Ziploc bag

- 1. Use the tape and create a line
- 2. First practice walking the plank
- 3. The second time place the bean bag on your head and walk the plank
- 4. Try walking the plank and tapping your shoulders
- 5. Hop the plank on one foot
- 6. Have fun!