

Reader Guide Surf Soup

Title

Surf Soup and the Pirate Treasure Hunt

Subtitle

Happy Pirate Day! A Fun Adventure of Friendship and Hidden Surprises

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Celebrate Pirate Day on Surf Soup® Island!

Pirate Day is the perfect day to dig, explore, and play! Grab a map, follow the waves, and see what treasures you can discover – maybe shiny shells, playful crabs, or a secret starfish hiding in the sand.

On Surf Soup Island, the best treasures aren't in chests. They're in laughter, friendship, and the fun of the adventure itself.

Read along with Koa and Honi, find hidden treasures on every page, and make your own Pirate Day adventure at home or at the beach!

 The Invisible Treasure

Extended Reader & STEAM Guide

Big Ideas

Teamwork • Mapping • Exploration

STEAM Activities

Science – Sand Layers

Students dig small holes and observe layers of sand.

Technology – Map Navigation

Students follow simple map directions.

Engineering – Build a Treasure Chest

Use cardboard and design hinges.

Art – Pirate Flag Design

Students create personal pirate flags.

Math – Coordinate Treasure Hunt

Use grid coordinates to locate hidden objects.

Surf Soup® Pirate Day Adventure – Teacher / Parent Guide

Bring Surf Soup and the Pirate Treasure Hunt to life with activities, discussion prompts, and hidden object games.

Discussion Questions

What did Koa expect to find in the treasure chest?

How did laughter and play become the real treasure?

What makes an adventure fun even without “stuff”?

How can you find joy in your own day?

Can you spot all the hidden treasures on the page?

Activities / Experiments

Hidden Object Hunt: Find 5 treasures (shells, coins, crabs, starfish, map fragment) in the illustrations.

Draw Your Own Treasure Map: Kids create maps with “invisible” treasures – acts of kindness, fun experiences, or smiles.

Pirate Day Role-Play: Act out a treasure hunt, noticing small joys along the way.

Mindfulness & Reflection

Pause to ask: “What treasure did I find today?”

Discuss how joy and friendship can be more valuable than possessions.

Learning Objectives

Introduce concepts of shared experience, mindfulness, and joy over possession

Encourage observation skills, creativity, and reflection

Make reading interactive and repeatable