

# ideas by the Bushel



**Arr, matey! Let's become a pirate from head-to -toe with these activities picked just for you!**



**Make a tripod hat:** Take a sheet of newspaper and fold it “hot-dog” style, which is where the bottom is folded up to the top. You have just folded the paper in half. Then, fold one of the top corners down to the middle, making a triangle, and then fold the other side down to the middle, as well. It is okay if they interlap. Add a small piece of tape to hold them together. Next, fold the bottom margin of one side of the paper up to overlap the bottom of triangles and do the same with the other side of the paper. Pull the hat open and your child has the beginnings of looking like a pirate!

**Make an eye-patch:** Pop a dark lens out of a Dollar Store pair of sunglasses. Punch a hole in the corner of the lens and lace a dark shoestring through the hole. Tie it around your child's head and make sure the lens is over one of their eyes. Getting closer to being a pirate!

**Make a costume:** Help your child look through closets and drawers in their bedroom as well as mommy and daddy's bedrooms. You are looking for dark pants, white shirt, dark coat, a sash to go around their waist, and some dark shoes or boots! It will be so fun to make their own pirate costume!

**Make a “booty” bag:** Your children will get a kick out of making a “booty” bag which will hold their treasure. Take a belt and loop it through a plastic grocery bag. Secure the belt diagonally across your child's chest with the bag hanging on your child's back.

**Search for the hidden treasure:** Somewhere in your house hide a baggie with gold coins or your child's favorite snack. Create a map with drawings of different places in your house- the sofa, the kitchen table, where the pet eats, etc. with arrows showing your child which direction they should go. **X** will mark the spot where the hidden treasure is located!

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