Storytime Suggestions for SMALL SAUL

Storytime Props

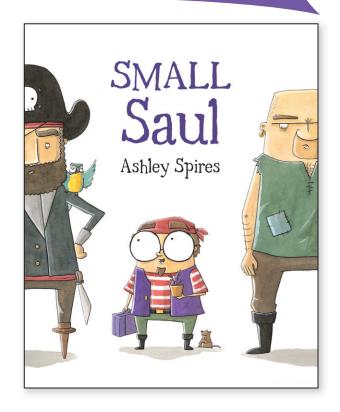
Make storytime more creative by including props to encourage group participation, emphasize important scenes in the story and get into character. Don't forget to store all your props in a bin for next time.

You might include

- an eye patch
- a bandana
- toy swords or a treasure chest
- temporary tattoos
- a stuffed parrot or rat/mouse
- an apron and oven mitts
- a fake plant or flowers

Activity Materials

- a pencil or pen
- photocopies of "Help Small Saul Find the Treasure Chest!" activity on page 2



Before Storytime

Small Saul is a light-hearted celebration of individuality, perseverance and being true to one's self. Ask your group if there was ever a time that they were not good at doing something right from the start. For example, learning to play a sport or an instrument. Then ask what they did to get better. Did they practice or ask someone for help?

During Storytime

Small Saul features the crew of *The Rusty Squid*. Ask your group to describe the characteristics of a pirate. How is Small Saul different from the other pirates in this story? Small Saul learns that pirates care about three things: their ship, being tough and lots and lots of treasure. Ask your group how Small Saul tries to prove his worth as a pirate.

After Storytime

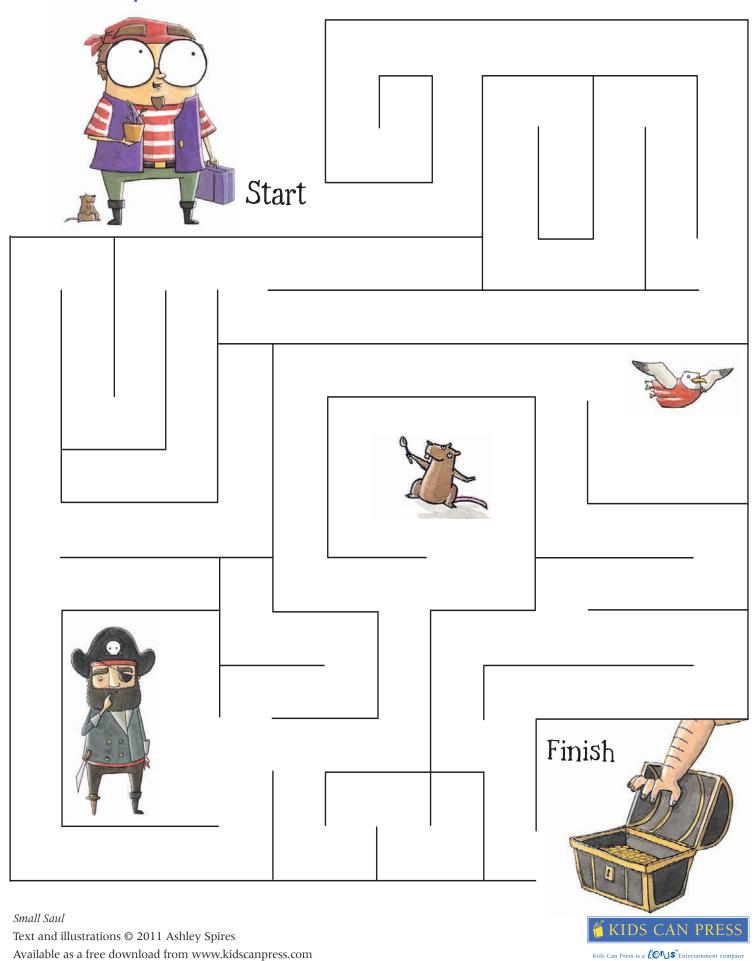
The pirates aboard *The Rusty Squid* discover that Small Saul's uniqueness makes him a treasure. Ask your group what or who the treasure is in this story. Then ask what makes each of them special and unique. From childhood, Small Saul dreamed of a life at sea. Ask your group what they want to do or be when they grow up.

For more fun, hand out a copy of the "Help Small Saul Find the Treasure Chest!" to every person in the group.



Small Saul

Help Small Saul Find the Treasure Chest!



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