

English Knowledge Organiser (Autumn 1)



Name of Book: The Pirates Next Door

Author: Jonny Duddle

Fiction/Non-fiction: Fiction

Main Characters

**Tilda
Jim**

Synopsis:

The Jolley-Rogers - a pirate family, are moving to Dull-on-Sea, a quiet seaside town. Stopping to fix up their ship, this unusual family get the whole neighbourhood spreading rumours. Defying the grown-ups, Matilda from next door decides to become friends with the youngest pirate's son. When the Jolley-Rogers leave, the town discovers they were wrong to assume the worst - the pirate clan have buried treasure in everyone's gardens. Matilda feels sad until she discovers her own treasure - an incredibly exciting new pen friend.

Vocabulary

Key Word	Definition
gloomy	dim or dark
grog	a drink for pirates
landlubber	someone who is not familiar with the sea
plank	a length of wood thicker than a board
cannon	a large gun that is set on wheels
cutlass	a short, thick sword with one cutting edge and a curved blade
lodge	a cabin, hut, or other shelter meant to be used by people doing outdoor activities
shipshape	well arranged, orderly, tidy

