



TEACHER'S RESOURCE GUIDE

Time Soldiers[®] Book #3: Patch

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Join the Time Soldiers and
travel the high seas!

About This Book...

Patch, the third book in the Time Soldiers[®] series, provides another exciting tale for young readers. Pirates, a secret cave filled with treasure, captives and blazing cannons are the backdrop for this fast-paced pirate adventure. When the Time Soldiers are called on to save the daughter of a friendly pirate, they must devise a daring rescue mission that takes them through a fiery battle on board ship and a frightful encounter with the evil pirate Calico Jack.

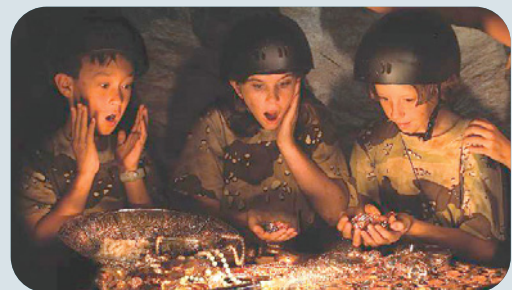
About This Guide...

Combining real-life, dramatic images with a thrilling story line, *Patch* is the latest Time Soldiers adventure that offers engaging children's entertainment literature.

This guide to *Patch* gives students a glimpse into the life of a pirate. The activities that follow will challenge students' imaginations and make reading more fun!

Prereading Activities

Before reading *Patch*, ask students to share what they know about the life of a pirate. Record this information in a **KWL (Know, Want to Learn, Have Learned)** chart. After the children have finished reading the book, ask them to complete the chart based on what they have learned. Finally, read through "Pirate Jargon" to enhance comprehension as students read the story.



Vocabulary Development

Word Match

Find each of the following words in the dictionary and copy the definition. Then match the words on the left with the correct definition.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CANNON | A. sleepy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DROWSY | B. a power that some people believe controls how things turn out |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DESERTED | C. to tremble from fear or cold |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DISTORT | D. to leave someone alone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FATE | E. a large weapon mounted on wheels |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GALLEON | F. to pull something away suddenly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HULL | G. to bend out of shape |
| <input type="checkbox"/> REVENGE | H. causing someone pain or harm in return for a wrong |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SHUDDER | I. the sides and bottom of a boat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YANK | J. large ship with three or more masts, often used for trading or battle |

Pirate Jargon

If you want to be a pirate, you had better learn the language! Below are some examples of everyday jargon – a specialized language – used by pirates.

Avast stop

Aye yes

Booty a pirate's stolen treasure, for example, gold, jewels, weapons, spices – even food or water

Doubloon Spanish coin made of gold

Dullard a stupid person

Fo'castle (short for forecastle) the front part of a ship

Jolly Roger a pirate flag

Piece-of-Eight Spanish coin made of silver

Scurvy a disease caused by a lack of vitamin C

Sluggard a lazy person

Reading Comprehension

Discussion Questions

1. Why were the lanterns out on Calico Jack's ship? How did the pirates on the Sapphire know where to aim their cannons?
2. Who won the battle, Patch's men or Calico Jack's?
3. What did the Time Soldiers do to scare Calico Jack's men from the cave?
4. Why did the Time Soldiers refuse to take gold from Patch?
5. When the Time Soldiers returned home, they were disappointed with the video. Why?

Writing Enrichment

- ◆ Imagine you are a sailor on board Patch's ship. Create a ship journal and write about your experience during the battle with Calico Jack.
- ◆ Did you know that Calico Jack was a real pirate? Some other famous pirates were Captain Kidd and Blackbeard. Use the library or the Internet to find information about one of these or another pirate. Write a short summary of the information you find.
- ◆ You are vacationing with your family on a Caribbean island and you find buried treasure! Explain how you stumbled upon the treasure and what you have found.
- ◆ The men in the dark suits call the Time Soldiers the Originals. What does it mean to be an original? How does this word fit the Time Soldiers?



Find the Hidden Message

Use the pirate jargon and vocabulary words to help you uncover the hidden message in this puzzle. First, find each word in the puzzle and cross it out. After you have found all of the words, copy the remaining letters to the spaces below. These letters will spell out the hidden message.

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BOOTY	Y	A	G	O	N	O	O	N	R	E	Y	U	N	I	T
CANNON	Y	O	O	O	L	N	E	U	C	W	G	R	O	S	S
DESERTED	I	B	L	B	R	V	A	E	L	G	W	E	E	T	A
DISTORT	A	D	U	L	E	Y	O	C	A	K	T	D	L	O	C
DOUBLOON	Y	O	E	R	H	F	L	R	E	D	P	D	L	R	E
DROWSY	D	V	L	T	E	A	D	L	U	A	Y	U	A	T	R
DULLARD	N	K	R	I	R	T	D	L	O	S	X	H	G	B	O
FATE	U	U	G	U	O	E	L	I	W	J	K	S	W	S	F
FORECASTLE	E	H	K	R	C	A	S	O	A	V	A	S	T	J	C
GALLEON	T	F	N	C	R	S	R	E	X	H	U	L	L	B	E
HULL	J	P	W	D	R	D	B	J	D	D	D	Y	W	K	R
JOLLY ROGER															
PIECE-OF-EIGHT															
REVENGE															
SCURVY															
SHUDDER															
SLUGGARD															
YANK															

Curriculum Enrichment Activities

HISTORY: Even though most pirate ships did not allow women on board, we know there were women pirates. Perhaps the most famous were Anne Bonny and Mary Read. Look for information about these or other female pirates and write a short summary.

HISTORY: The Time Soldiers are modern-day explorers. What does it mean to be an explorer? Why are the Time Soldiers explorers?

HISTORY: Some other famous explorers were Sir Francis Drake, Hernando Cortez and Christopher Columbus. Choose one of these explorers and describe his journeys.

ART: The name for a pirate flag – Jolly Roger – probably came from the French words *jolie rouge*, which mean *pretty red*, because early pirate flags were red. Some flags had pictures of skulls, skeletons, crossbones and weapons. Imagine you are the captain of a pirate ship. Draw your own Jolly Roger and explain why you chose the symbols you used.

ART: Suppose you are a pirate captain and you decide to bury your treasure on a deserted island. Draw a map that will help you remember where the booty is buried. Remember to draw landmarks, such as trees, mountains and hills, that will help you locate the treasure.

Answers

Vocabulary Development

Word Match

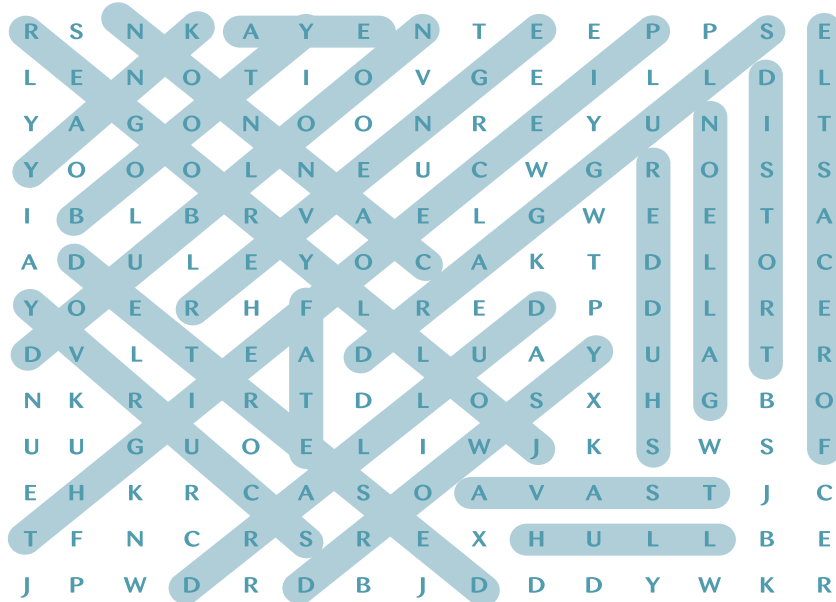
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Reading Comprehension

Discussion Questions

1. Patch's pirates couldn't take aim at the ship in the dark. Patch's men knew where to aim when the Time Soldiers turned on their flashlights.
2. Patch's men won the battle.
3. They fitted a skeleton with one walkie-talkie and made scary sounds through the other so that the skeleton seemed alive. They also fired potatoes from a cannon at Calico Jack's men.
4. The Time Soldiers did not want a reward because they were glad to help Patch and Julia. Also, they had to hurry and get through the time portal before it closed.
5. None of the action that they had shot was recorded.

Find the Hidden Message



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