



What sort of pirate is this?





Is he fierce or funny and friendly? How do you know? What clues can you see?

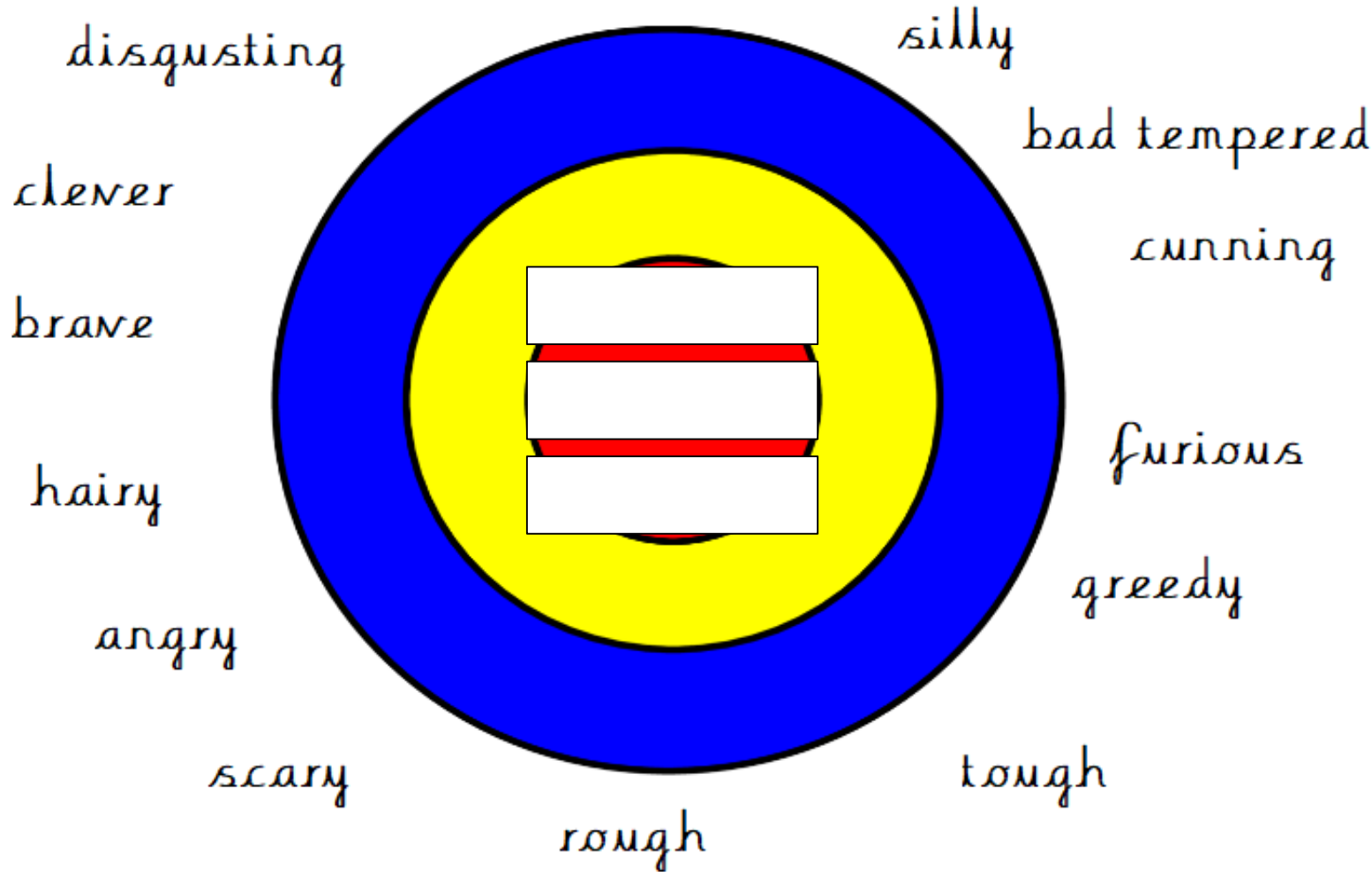
Today you are going to write a character description of a pirate. You can pick which sort of pirate they are. You could even get into character and pretend to be that pirate if you'd like.



*Is your pirate fierce? Or are they funny?
Are they a rough tough girl pirate?*



Which are the best adjectives to describe your pirate?



because

when

that

if

so

or

Pick the three best adjectives to describe your pirate. The best adjectives can go near the centre of the zone of relevance. You could cut and stick them if you like.

Now see if you can use them in a sentence using one of the conjunctions (because, when, that, if, so, or) to give reasons or make comparisons. i.e.

He is cunning **when** he hides the treasure.
If you see him, you will think he is silly **because** of his mad red hair.



Describing a pirate







Appearance

Personality

What words would you use to make your pirate sound fierce or friendly?

My character is

Name:

<p>Appearance: </p> <p><i>Use noun phrases beginning with a, the i.e a cruel, disgusting pirate</i></p>	<p>Questions to ask the reader:</p> <div data-bbox="715 486 1225 996" style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;">Stick your character here.</div>	<p>Things your character says: </p>
<p>Personality: </p> <p><i>Can you use a simile?</i></p>	<p>Warnings!</p> <p><i>What.....</i></p> <p><i>How.....</i></p>	<p>Things your character does</p> <div data-bbox="1727 1172 1849 1290" style="text-align: right;"></div>

You can use this planning sheet to plan your pirate character description if you would like. Or you can talk about it and go straight on to the writing.

Note: Feel free to spread this activity over two days if you prefer. Day 1 could be planning. Day 2 could be writing.

How is the author showing their viewpoint about this pirate?

The pirate has black tangled hair with old bits of disgusting food speckled through it. He smells like a dirty dog because he hasn't washed for weeks. How disgusting that is! His clothes are grubby and torn because of all the fights he has been in. Would you dare to get close to him? If you did, you will see that he has yellow teeth and many of his teeth are missing. This gives him a very creepy, menacing grin which will send shivers up your spine!

A section about his appearance

Here is an example of a character description. Does the author want us to like this pirate? Which words tell you that?

He has a sharp cutlass attached to him at all times so he is ready for battle. Be careful not to make him angry or he will quickly cut you in two. What a terrifying thought that is! Never trust him with your belongings because he will steal anything precious or of value. If you are hurt or injured don't go running to him because he really won't care and may even laugh in your face. Fierce pirates like him are not the sort of person you should pick as a friend. After all, would you want a smelly, mean pirate like him to be friends with you?

A section about his personality

How could you change the readers viewpoint and make the pirate more friendly or more of a funny comedy pirate?

How could we make the pirate sound nicer?

I can write a description of a pirate



To be successful:

- Use exciting expanded noun phrases

a fierce, disgusting pirate the cruel, annoying pirate

- Use simile

She is as fierce as a lion. He smells like a dirty dog.

- Vary your sentence starters

If you look closely....

When you get closer to him/her you will notice...

You wouldn't want to be friends.....

He is She has.....

- Use questions and exclamation sentences

How disgusting that is! What an annoying pirate he is!

Would you like to be friends with him/her? Do you think she is evil?