



Welcome aboard, me hearties!  
"Pop-up Pirate" is the classic action game that's a barrel of fun! It's also a great way to introduce more language into your little shipmate's life.

It's simple to work on plurals by asking your child for multiple swords at a time, i.e. "give me one sword", "give me three swords", etc.



You can work on attention and listening skills by turn taking. Your child needs to wait until it's their turn again. This can be longer or shorter depending on the number of players.

## Pop Up Pirate



Play a hiding game with the swords and describe where the child can find them using prepositions (positional words) e.g. in, on, under, beside, behind, in front of, etc. Simple sentences like, "It is hiding behind the cushion", "Look under the big cup", etc.

Ask the child to follow directions before they take their turn, e.g. "if you have shoes on pick a red sword.", "clap your hands, turn around then have a go.", etc.

Encourage your child to answer and ask many different types of questions during the game.

Closed questions that require YES/NO answers, e.g. "can I have a green sword?"

You could work on WH questions that are more open also; "what colour would you like?", "where is the red sword?", "when do you think the pirate will pop?", etc.

It's a great game for practicing pronouns, e.g. "HE is in the barrel", "HE has an eye patch", "HIS beard is black", "HE is going to Pop!", etc.

OR

If your child is working on using "I" you can model and encourage phrases such as "I choose...", "I have..." and "I need..." while playing the game.