Dear Educators, Parents, and Caregivers / Estimados educadores, padres y cuidadores,

Get ready to sail with *Santiago of the Seas*, a new interactive action-adventure series for preschoolers Fridays at 12:30/11:30c, starting October 9 on Nickelodeon! In Santiago's world, friendship, teamwork, and the Good Pirate Code are valued above all.

The series follows the big-hearted, brave, and clever 8-year-old, Santiago, who discovers the magical compass of Capitán Calavera, a fabled Good Pirate of the High Seas, and becomes the new good pirate protector of his island home, Isla Encanto. With compass in hand and help from his best mates, cousin Tomás and Lorelai the mermaid, along with his pet frog Kiko, Santiago goes on heroic quests and rescues aboard Calavera's pirate ship, El Bravo, through a Caribbean-inspired world.

These free educational activities from Nickelodeon and the curriculum specialists at Young Minds Inspired are designed to help preschool teachers, as well as parents/caregivers teaching at home, turn Santiago of the Seas into a fun learning adventure. The easy-to-implement activities give children practice in developmental learning skills such as language, pre-reading, problem-solving, counting, and creativity. The Ship Ahoy! maze activity helps children practice problem-solving and reading visual cues, supports language and social skills, and introduces children to the Spanish language.

Also visit **ymiclassroom.com/santiago** for additional activities and a parent letter available in English and Spanish to expand the children's adventure.

Although this program is protected by copyright, feel free to make copies and share the program with other teachers and parents/caregivers. And please let us know your thoughts on the program by visiting **ymiclassroom.com/feedback-santiago**. We depend on your feedback to continue providing free educational programs to support children's learning experiences

Sincerely,

Dr. Dominic Kinsley Editor in Chief Young Minds Inspired

For questions, contact us toll-free at 1-800-859-8005 or by email at feedback@ymiclassroom.com.

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Age Level
Children ages
2 to 5

Program Components Visit ymiclassroom.

com/santiago for

downloadable PDFs and interactive resources, including:

- This one-page instruction guide
- One reproducible activity sheet in English and Spanish
- A curriculum standards chart
- Additional activities and a parent letter in English and Spanish
- Video links
- A feedback form to share your thoughts on the program

What Preschoolers Will Learn

- Creativity and problem-solving
- Reading visual cues
- Social skills such as friendship, teamwork, and respect
- English and Spanish language skills

How to Use the Activity: **Ship Ahou!**

Print out and make copies of the activity sheet. Children will need markers or crayons for the activity. Chart or note paper and a marker will be needed to record student responses during class discussion. Help children by reading the activity sheet to them.

To start, explain that Santiago's mission is to protect treasure and make sure that Isla Encanto—the island where he lives—its people, animals, and

traditions, are safe from danger. Santiago lives by the Good Pirate Code. A good pirate should always stand by his or her mateys (friends) and always do what's right.

Guide children in a discussion about how Santiago and Kiko, Tomás, and Lorelai and her octopus friend Cecilia might work together to help Santiago in his role as pirate protector.

Use chart paper or note paper to write down children's suggestions as you build an understanding that teamwork is important to Santiago's success. Ideas include working out problems together, listening to each other, using each person's strengths to help solve a problem, showing kindness toward one another, encouraging and complimenting one another, showing respect, and having fun together.

Ask children to name some of the ways they use teamwork at school or at home. Examples might include building block towers or other structures together, role-playing in the creative-dramatic play area, cleaning up after a group project, etc.

Distribute the activity sheets. Help children complete the maze and color in the images.

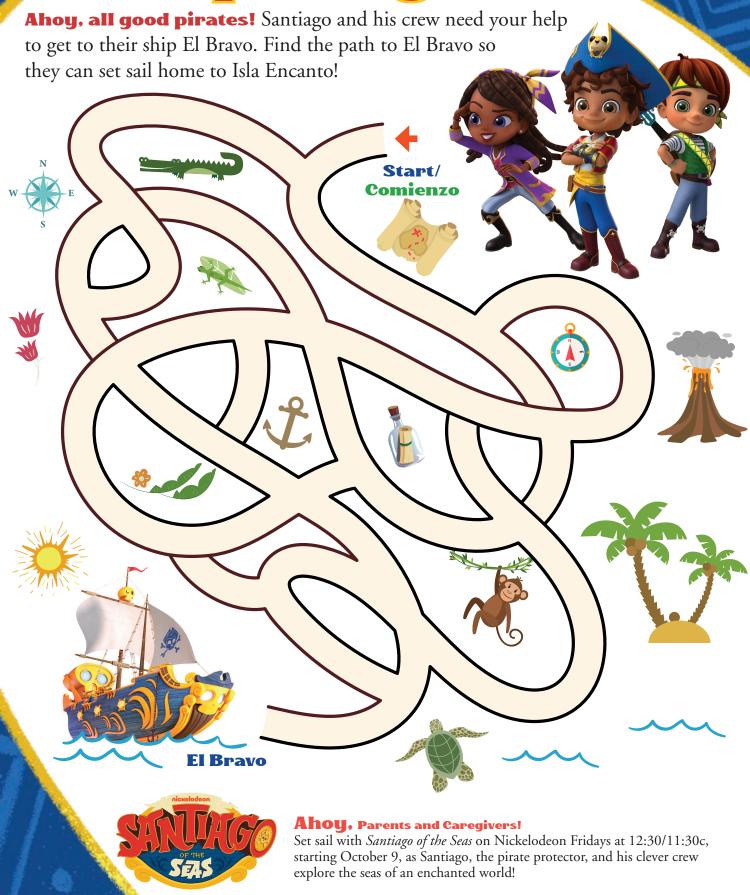
Activity Extension: If children view the show, have them share examples of teamwork among Santiago and his crew on *Santiago of the Seas*. To extend the theme, host a Compliment Circle, where children acknowledge a positive trait or strength about another classmate. Help children understand that paying one another compliments is not only a way to be kind and respectful, but it is also a way to talk about a team member's strengths, pointing out that teams rely on everyone's strengths to be successful when trying to solve a problem together.

Resources

- nickjr.com/santiago-of-the-seas
- nickelodeonparents.com/show/ santiago-of-the-seas/
- ymiclassroom.com/santiago



Ship Ahoy!



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Barco a la vista!

¡Saludos a todos los buenos piratas! Santiago y su tripulación necesitan tu ayuda para llegar hasta su barco El Bravo. ¡Encuentra el camino hasta El Bravo para que puedan zarpar de regreso a casa en Isla Encanto!



Saludos, tripulación de padres y cuidadores!

Están invitados a zarpar con *Santiago of the Seas* en Nickelodeon los viernes a las 12:30/11:30c, a partir del 9 de octubre para ver cómo Santiago, el pirata protector, y su inteligente tripulación exploran los mares de un mundo encantado.

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