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SWASHBUCKLING  
LETTER FLAPS!

# JAY RUNS AWAY

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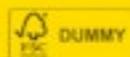
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Dear Mister  
Pirate Captain



I've decided to run away to sea because my baby sister, Flossie, is TOO annoying. All she does is cry and pool. The grown-ups just stare at her and talk goo-goo-goo-goo. Now I even have to share MY bedroom. Nobody thinks about me. I'm DONE here!

I was wondering if you have any room on your ship for me, please?

Love  
Jay x



P.S. I'd be a great pirate because parrots are my second favourite birds, and I always have a pirate party on my birthday.











Dear Mum and Dad  
NOPE! Sorry, I'm not coming  
back here, not ever again. This  
is goodbye (except this time!)  
Yours sincerely  
Jay the Pirate  
Head of Pirates  
(Who is having a super-duper  
time out living with you and  
Flossie as you'll see in the  
photos I've sent you...)



5, Terra Firma Lane  
Landlubberly  
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In case you don't believe that I'm happy, here are the photos as proof! Just look...



Me having fun without you on an actual, REAL-LIFE pirate ship, looking after LOADS of pretty parrots!



Me being allowed to eat ship biscuits for breakfast, lunch AND tea!



Me with Mister Pirate Captain - my new, cool dad, who has ZERO babies! (He can be a bit grumpy, but it's fine...)

I probably won't write for a while now because I'm far too busy and important, doing pirate things. (and anyway, I've run out of stamps)

Jay







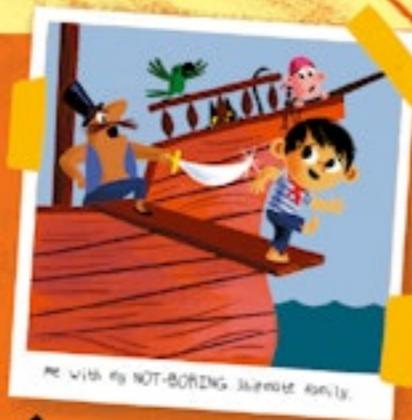
Dear Mum and Dad  
I got your last letter, thank  
you. It's been... okay here.  
I'm sending some more photos...



ME IN MY basket, that I DON'T love to share!

It is quite small,  
And high. And completely  
freezing. But it's fine.

Some have worms in  
them, but it's fine.

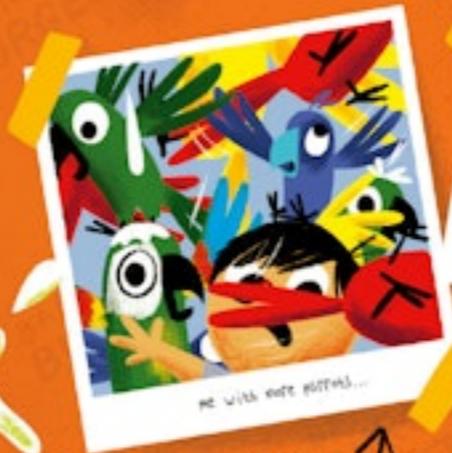


ME WITH MY NOT-BORING summer family.

They do play quite rough  
games, but it's fine.

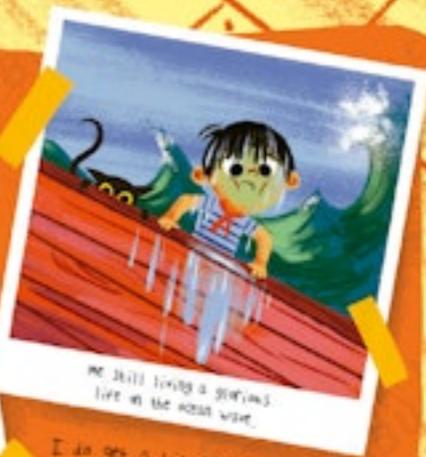


ME eating more biscuits.



ME WITH MORE parrots...

They're noisier than Flossie,  
if you can imagine that, and  
they do a LOT of poo - they  
could do with some nappies!  
But it's fine.



ME still living a glorious  
life in the ocean wave.

I do get a bit seasick,  
but it's fine.

P.S. Do you think you could  
send me my old teddy?

And maybe a recording of Dad  
reading a bedtime story?

And perhaps some cabbage or something -  
just to make a change from the biscuits?

By the way, how are things there...?

Jay x











Dear Mum and Dad  
Dada... I might be, like, at,  
pursuing away that, so I could  
possibly be in our test.  
Love  
Jag xxx  
P.S. Here's a map, how you can  
see my VERY dangerous journey  
here, which I'm not at all  
worried about...









Ahoy, me fellow readers!  
Epic adventure, right?

If you fancy a quest across the  
high seas, write a letter to  
Mister Pirate Captain!

Let him know where you'd like  
to go, what you'd like to see  
and who will be going with you  
(so he can make sure there are  
enough hammocks).

Yo Ho Ho!  
Happy sailing!



I've included the ship's  
address for you - it can be  
sticky to stick on!

Mister Pirate Captain  
The Far Away Ocean  
Very Far Away



Here's a  
sticky bit  
your letter -  
Pirican Post  
always come  
Post or Bust!

Draw some  
pictures of your  
adventures here!

P.S. If you'd like to write a larger  
letter, you can create your own parchment  
using a piece of paper and a wet tea bag!