

# CLEAN WORDS

## SESSION B



### LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

To use acceptable alternative words in place of swearing.

#### Preparation:

Look for fictional characters who use creative alternatives to swearing.

Search on the internet for images of Captain Haddock [from the 'Tin Tin' series] using his colourful phrases - 'Thundering Typhoons', 'Blistering Barnacles' etc.

Try the Harry Potter Lexicon <http://www.hp-lexicon.org/wizworld/slang.html> [available 03/15]

Tanith Lee's *Piratica* contains some highly inventive pirate oaths such as "By the Whale's Knitting!"

#### Script:

"Last week we looked at how inappropriate or bad language can make other people feel. [Ask the children to recap on some of the outcomes of the discussion points from last week]. It is very important that our older children set a good example to the younger ones by not swearing. There are other ways in which we can express ourselves when we are unhappy about

something. Let's look at Captain Haddock from the Tin Tin series - can anyone remember some of the colourful language he uses when he is angry? 'Billions of blue blistering barnacles - Thundering typhoons! - Ostrogoth!- Vandal!'" Share the images that you have found.

"Let's find and create some acceptable alternatives to swearing."

#### Suggested Activities:

**Reading Research:** Children research how their favourite fictional characters express themselves when they are angry. Children generate alternatives and acceptable words to use instead of swearing.

**Poster Ideas:** Keep it Clean, Keep it Respectful! Bad Words are for the Birds!

#### Plenary:

Children share the fictional character and phrases that they liked best.

### Character Coaching

#### Meaningful Praise:

Well done, even though you were upset, you managed to avoid using words that might upset other people.

#### Guidance:

Learn some acceptable phrases that you can use to express your feelings.

#### Correction:

Even though you were upset, the language you used today was unacceptable, because it upset others. Try to find a way of expressing your frustration which doesn't upset other people.

