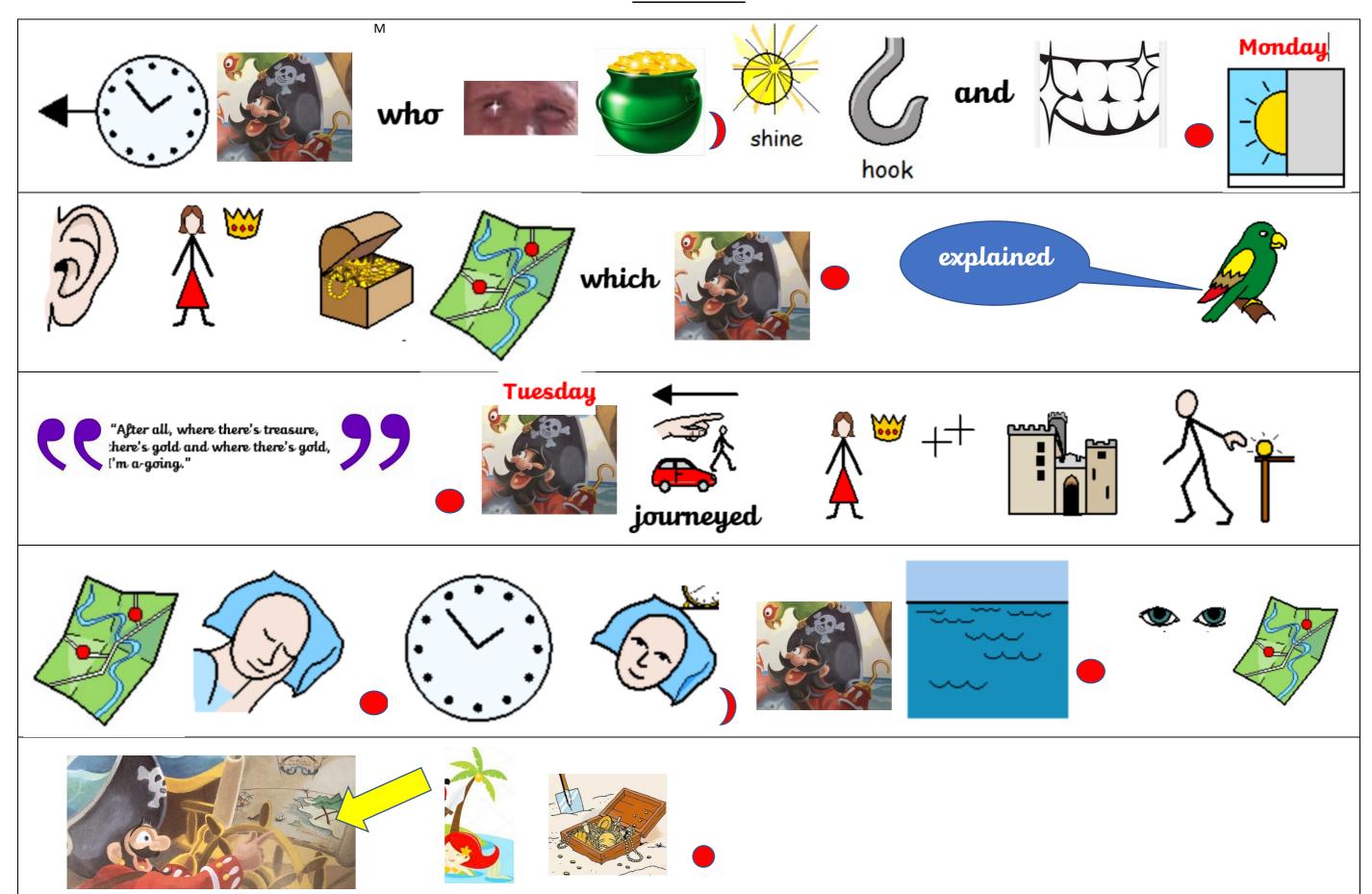
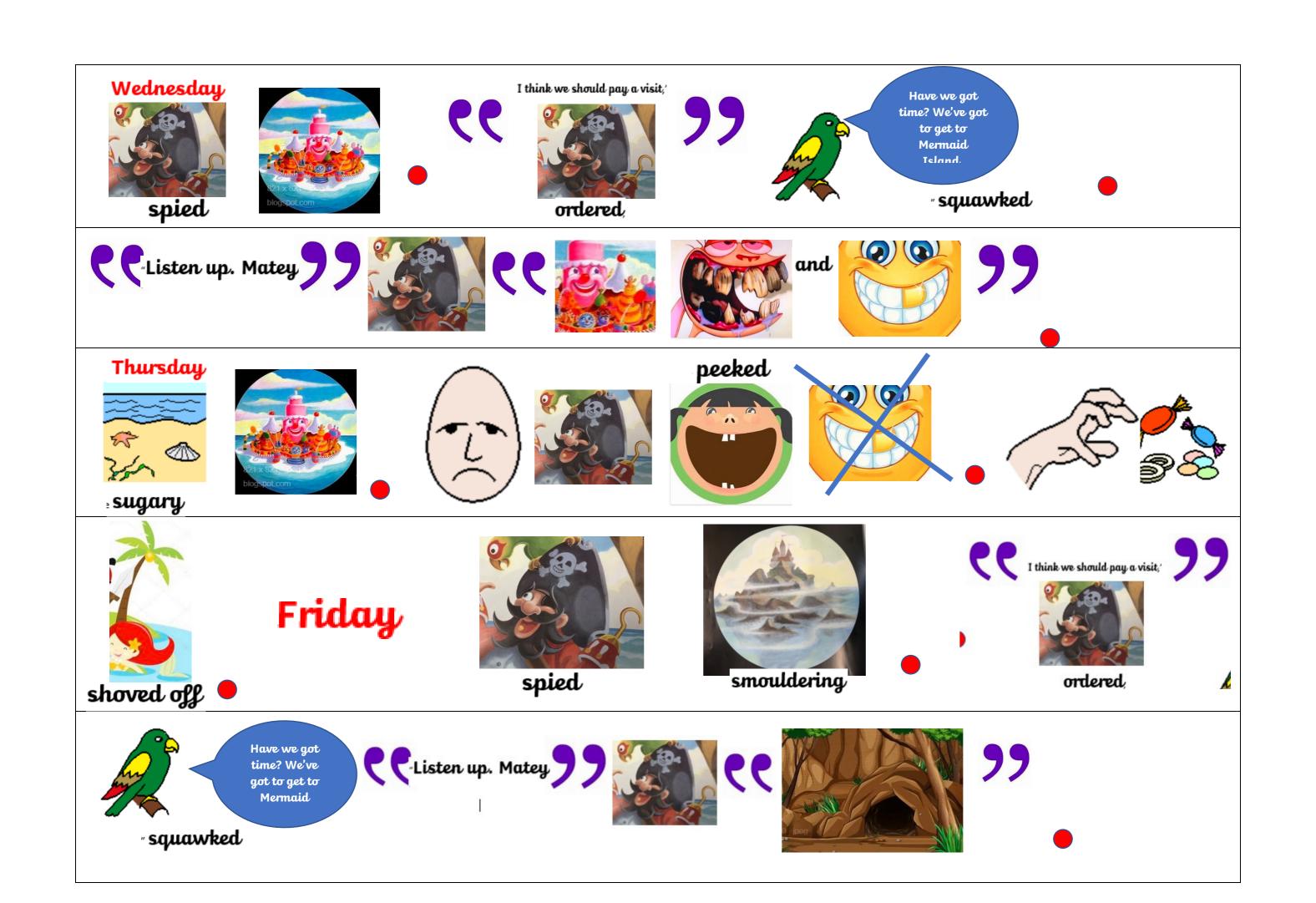
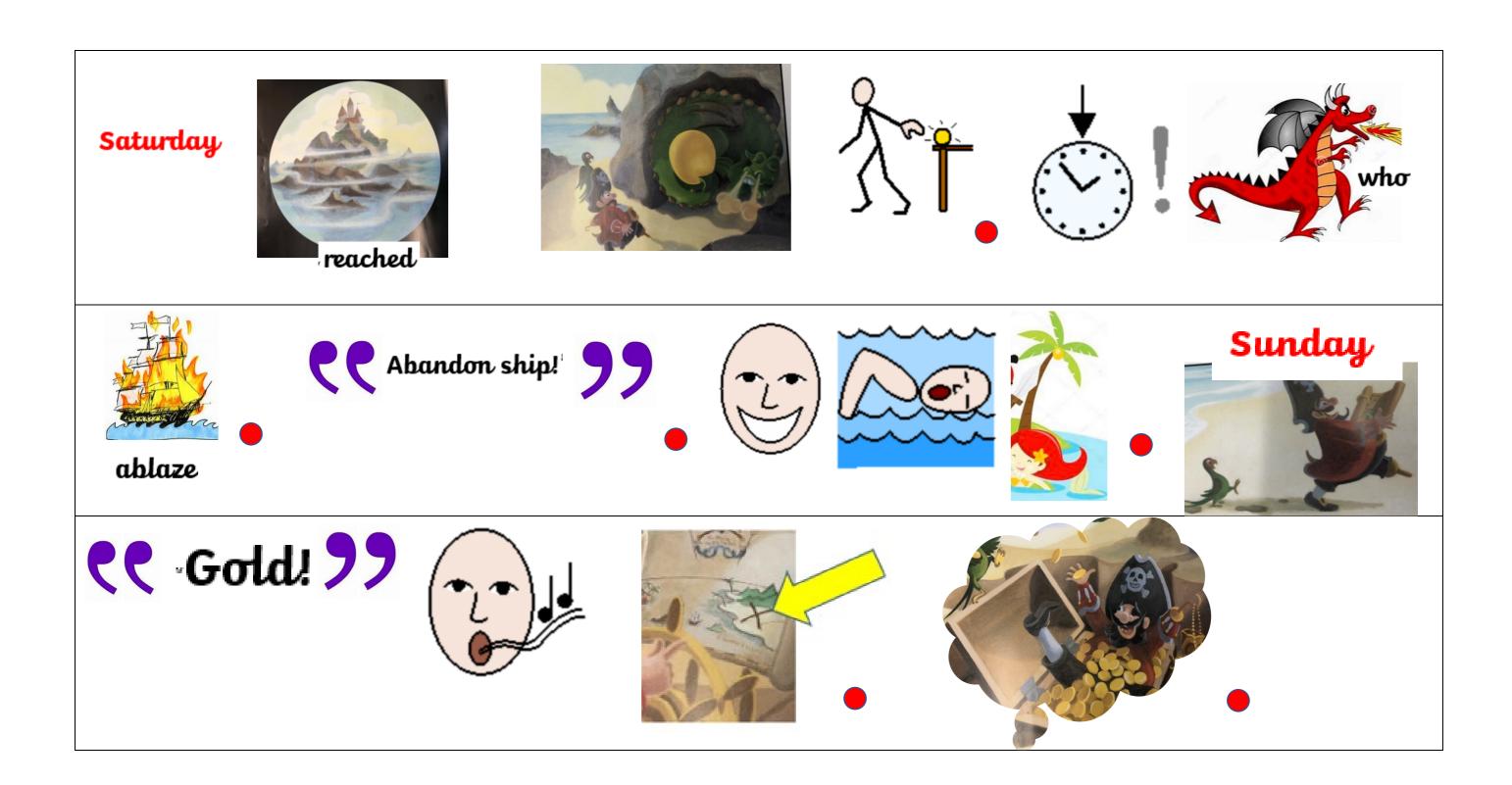
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In the distant past there lived a Pirate named Pete who had a twinkle in his eye like a pot of gold, as well as a shine in his hook and a sparkle in his smile. One Monday morning he heard that the Queen had discovered a treasure map which Pete wanted. He explained to his parrot, "After all, where there's treasure, there's gold and where there's gold, I'm a-going."

On Tuesday Pete journeyed to the Queen's castle to steal the map whilst she was asleep. By the time the Queen awoke, Pete was far out to sea. Looking at the map he spied a bold black X marking Mermaid Island where the gold was buried.

On Wednesday Pirate Pete spied Candy Island. "I think we should pay a visit," ordered Pirate Pete. "Have we got time? We've got to get to Mermaid Island," squawked the parrot. "Listen up. Matey," said Pete. "Where there's candy, there's rotten teeth, and gold fillings. Where there's gold. I'm a-going."

On Thursday they reached the sugary shores of Candy Island. Unfortunately, when Pirate Pete peeked into the mouth of every child, he discovered no gold fillings. He snatched up some sweets and shoved off towards Mermaid Island.

On Friday Pirate Pete spied a smouldering Dragon Island. "I think we should pay a visit," ordered Pirate Pete. "Do we have time? We've got to get to Mermaid Island," squawked the parrot. "Listen up. Matey," said Pete. "Where there's lairs, there's gold, and where there's gold I'm a-going."

On Saturday they reached Dragon Island where they found a giant egg

under a sleepy dragon which they stole.

Suddenly out popped a baby dragon with a mouthful of flames who set the sails ablaze! "Abandon ship!"

Fortunately, they swam to Mermaid Island which was close by. On Sunday Pete unfolded his map and followed the instructions carefully. "Gold!" he sang when reaching the point marked X. It was a pirate's dream come true.