The Captain Hope Activity Book

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This book is dedicated to all the kids fighting cancer and blood disorders and their families.
The Captain Hope Origin Story:

Captain Hope was designed around 2013 by Valerie Fund patients. They each submitted their own rendition of what they thought the mascot should look like. Elements of every design were combined to make the Captain Hope we see today. Captain Hope has a bald head because of their chemotherapy treatment. The orange in Captain Hope’s cape and belt signifies the orange ribbon for Leukemia Awareness. Captain Hope’s costume features a utility belt full of things to help kids feel better including power-up badges, lollipops, and anything else Captain Hope might need. I hope you enjoy these Captain Hope and Valerie Fund themed activities and stories. Feel free print the whole book or just a few pages!

Remember you do not need to have a magic utility belt or a cape to be a superhero! You can be one by remembering to be kind to yourself and others and volunteering to help others out.
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Instructions:

Below are five original stories about Captain Hope’s origins and some of their many adventures. At different parts of each story there are prompts for you to draw your own illustrations for the story. At the end of each story there are some other fun drawing prompts! If you need more room to draw, use an extra piece of paper. Enjoy!
Captain Hope Wishes on a Star

“Alright Sunny, you’re going to feel a slight pinch” The nurse said before accessing Sunny’s port.

Sunny didn’t really feel much because of the numbing cream. Sunny looked at the ceiling. It wasn’t their first time in the hospital, they thought that they would be used to needles at this point, but they still felt scared right before they were accessed. Sunny was in the hospital for their inpatient methotrexate treatment. A few months ago, Sunny and their family found out that they had Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia or ALL Leukemia. Sunny had been feeling very tired and was bruising very easily, so their doctors did a full blood work up and discovered the Leukemia.

Sunny tried to stay strong for their family, but it was hard to put on a brave face. All the time in the hospital and at the Valerie Center was exhausting. Sunny remembered how their mom and dad always said that Sunny had been born smiling. That’s how they got their name. Even though Sunny was in remission, they still had a lot of treatment left. The doctors needed to teach their body to make normal blood cells again.

“Okay Sunny, I’ll be back in a while to get rid of the empty bag.” The nurse hung up the methotrexate bag and left the room.
“Would you like to play a board game honey?” Sunny’s Dad asked.

“Sure! Let’s play some Monopoly!”

Sunny and their family spent the rest of the day playing Monopoly and watching movies until it was time for Sunny’s Dad and sister to leave. The nurse removed the empty methotrexate bag and put the normal iv bag back on, it was time for bed. It was hard to fall asleep in the hospital. The room never seemed to be fully dark, and one of the night nurses wore the loudest shoes in existence. Eventually, Sunny’s Mom was able to doze off on the window ledge, but Sunny couldn’t. In the quiet hospital room, Sunny suddenly felt very lonely and very sad. They wished that they could be home in their own bed, they wished that they had never had cancer. Sunny began to cry and looked out the window of the room when suddenly, they spotted a shooting star!

“I wish I knew how to stay strong.” Sunny whispered to the star streaking across the sky.

Right after making their wish Sunny was finally able to fall asleep. While asleep they had a dream. They were on the surface
of a planet that seemed to be flying around the earth. All around them was grass and trees and flowers. Next to them was a tall green person with no hair on their head and bare feet. They looked like a Martian, but Sunny knew that they weren’t on Mars since the surface of mars was red and dusty and it definitely didn’t have any plants on it.

“Who are you?” Sunny asked in awe.

The green person turned to Sunny and said, “I am Ulex, I live on the star that you wished upon.”

Sunny looked around, they never realized stars had plants on them.

“I’ve come to grant your wish,” Ulex said, Sunny couldn’t believe it, “While I do not have the power to fix all that hurts, I can give you the power to make others like you happy.”

“What do you mean?” Sunny asked.

“You shall be a superhero known as Captain Hope, wherever you go you will bring happiness and laughter. Through helping others, you will be strong.”
Sunny nodded, while they still didn’t really understand what Ulex was telling them, they were filled with a feeling of duty and even excitement.

“Now Sunny, it is time for you to return to the hospital, remember no matter your doubts, you will be wonderful.” Ulex smiled and the dream faded away.

Sunny was once again in their hospital bed, only now, they did not feel nearly as lonely. Sunny smiled and fell into the first peaceful and restful sleep they had had in weeks and woke the next day ready for anything.

What Powers do you think Sunny will have as Captain Hope? Draw them!
Captain Hope and the Zofran Jam

It was a rainy day at the hospital. Sunny was there for one of their weekly checkups and outpatient chemo sessions. The waiting room at The Valerie Center was packed to the brim with kids and families. Traffic had been pretty bad on the way to the hospital so many families were arriving late to their appointments. Some of the kids were playing with the toys in the waiting room or reading the books from the bookshelf like Sunny.

“You can come on back now Sunny!” the nurse said as he poked his head around the corner. Sunny and their family went back to the room with the scale and wall measure. Sunny got their height and weight taken and they told the nurse that they were allergic to Pegaspargase.

“I’m sorry you guys need to go back to the waiting room now, the doctor will be here in a little bit, but they are still in their morning meeting. Everything is running late because of the traffic jam. We’ll try to see you as soon as possible,” the nurse said apologetically.
“Okay. I’ll be right there,” Sunny said to their parents, “I just have to use the bathroom.”

When Sunny was walking out of the bathroom they heard two nurses talking.

“–and it’s going to be a rough day, we’re out of Zofran! The truck with the order is stuck in traffic–” One of the nurses said as she walked by.

Sunny was stunned, they knew how important Zofran is, they could barely stand getting chemo without it because of the nausea. Sunny knew that some other kids would probably even throw up! They knew that this is a job for Captain Hope! Sunny ran out to the waiting room and told their Mom what they had to do. Sunny had told their family all about being Captain Hope so that they could cover for Sunny. Then Sunny transformed into Captain Hope in one of the empty examination rooms.

“Excuse me, nurse,” Captain Hope said, “I’ve heard about your Zofran troubles, can you tell me where the truck is?”
“Captain Hope!” The nurse exclaimed, “I’m so glad you are here! The truck is stuck on the highway a couple of minutes away! Will you be able to bring the Zofran here?”

“Of course, I can! I’m Captain Hope, it’s what I do.”

With that Captain Hope ran out of the hospital and flew up into the air. Captain Hope flew straight towards the highway and started looking left and right for the pharmacy truck. It was hard to fly with the rain weighing them down, but Captain Hope knew that the other kids needed their medicine; the thought gave them strength. After a couple of minutes, they spotted the truck, it was stuck in bumper-to-bumper traffic! They landed next to the driver side of the door so that they could talk to the woman inside.

The driver lowered the window and said “Captain Hope! You are just the person I was hoping to see. Traffic has barely moved in the last 10 minutes; it’ll take me over an hour to get to the hospital in these conditions.”

“No worries Miss, I’ll take care of everything.” Captain Hope said. They tried to look confident but, on the inside, they had no
idea how they would get the medicine to the hospital. Then, Captain Hope remembered the Badge of Strength they had in their utility belt. They took the badge out of their belt and pinned it on their chest. They felt a surge of strength running through their body and knew what to do.

“Make sure you’re buckled in and hold onto the seat, I’m gonna get this truck to the hospital no matter what!” Captain Hope said to the driver.

With that Captain Hope grabbed the edge of the truck and lifted it above their head. They flew as fast as they could, luckily the truck shielded them from the rain, so they were able to see clearly. Just when they thought they couldn’t fly anymore, the hospital came into view. Captain Hope set the truck down in the parking lot and began carrying the boxes of Zofran to the pharmacy. They kept their Badge of Strength on so that they could carry as many boxes as possible. Everyone who could helped to bring the boxes to the pharmacy.

While everyone else finished up, Captain Hope snuck off to a private corner. They put the Badge of Strength back in their utility
belt so it could charge and then they transformed back into Sunny. It took Sunny a little while to make it back to the center since they were very tired from their adventure. But they got there just in time for their checkup. While they were walking to the exam room, they overheard the nurses talking.

“–thank goodness for Captain Hope, if they didn’t get the Zofran, I don’t know what we would have done!”

Sunny smiled, happy that they were able to help.

What do you think the Badge of Strength looks like? What other Badges might Captain Hope have? Draw them!
Captain Hope’s Sidekick

Emma was the new kid at the Valerie Center’s Tuesday morning gang since her family had just moved to the area. She had been diagnosed with Sickle Cell Disease when she was a baby. Emma had to go to the Valerie Center blood transfusions every few weeks as part of her treatment. Even though she had been getting regular transfusion for years she began to feel upset and angry every time she went to the hospital. Sometimes she would say mean things to her parents and regret it right after. She tried to ‘stay positive’ but it never worked, it always just made her more upset. She tried to make friends with the other kids, but she was jealous because the other kids seemed to not mind being at the Center. She did her best to smile like they did, but it was hard. She remembered how last week she was having a good day and was having fun playing with the other kids. They told her all about Captain Hope. They told her that Captain Hope was the Valerie Fund’s resident superhero and mascot. The kids said that Captain Hope could tell how you were feeling, just by looking at you! And how you would always feel better just by looking at Captain Hope. Emma wished Captain Hope were there so that she could feel better and not have another bad day.

Just then, a green person with a bald head and bare feet walked into the Valerie Center. The person was wearing dark
blue sparkly armor with an orange cape attached. When Emma looked at the person, she instantly knew that they were Captain Hope. Just like the other kids said, she instantly felt happier just by seeing Captain Hope.

“Hello everyone!” Captain Hope said happily.

Instantly, all the kids ran up to Captain Hope and gave them hugs.

“What are you doing here Captain Hope?” one of the parents asked.

“I’m here because I need help,” Captain Hope paused, “I need someone to be my sidekick for the day.”

The kids stopped and stared at each other; Captain Hope needed a sidekick! They all started clamoring around Captain Hope hoping that they would get picked. Captain Hope looked around the room searching for a sidekick when they saw that Emma was sitting in her chair. Captain Hope instantly felt all the sadness Emma was feeling so they walked over and kneeled down beside her.

“Would you like to be my sidekick?” they asked.
Emma looked up startled, she didn’t understand why Captain Hope was asking her to be their sidekick, but she nodded anyway. Emma’s mother agreed that Emma could go with Captain Hope if they were back in time for Emma’s treatment.

“We have a very special assignment to do. There are some pretty sad and bored kids upstairs in the inpatient rooms, we have to go and cheer them up! Here take this,” Captain Hope handed Emma a golden badge, “this is the Official Captain Hope Sidekick Badge! It will give you some of my powers. Use it wisely.”

Emma pinned the badge on her shirt and suddenly she was wearing a sparkly blue suit and orange cape just like Captain Hope.

Upstairs Captain Hope and Emma played many games with the other kids. They played board games like Clue and Mousetrap, they also played Uno, Minecraft, and even some Among Us, which Captain Hope wasn’t very good at. After a while it was time for Emma to go back downstairs. She was
having so much fun that she didn’t want to go back to the center, but Captain Hope reminded her that she still needed to get her transfusion and that her mother was expecting them back.

“Remember Emma, you can come back here at any time and volunteer, you made those kids very happy today.” Captain Hope said as they and Emma left the inpatient wing.

“Captain Hope,” Emma said hesitantly, “how are you so happy all the time?”

Captain Hope stopped walking and kneeled down, “Emma, I’m not happy all the time. Why do you think I needed a sidekick today! I was feeling so sad, I didn’t know how I could cheer anyone else up!”

Emma looked into Captain Hope’s eyes surprised, Captain Hope seemed like a smile was frozen on their face, how could they ever feel sad!

“It’s okay to feel sad or angry Emma, it’s not good to try and be happy all the time. If you always hold your emotions back eventually, they come crashing out in a tidal wave!”
Emma nodded her head; she remembered all the times she had snapped at her parents without meaning too. They were like mini tidal waves each time.

Emma looked at Captain Hope and saw the sincerity in their eyes. Emma thought about what Captain Hope said as they finished making their way to the Valerie Center. She expected to start feeling sad again, but she didn’t! She felt happy and knew that she should embrace that happiness. After that day Emma still had her moments when she was sad, but she lets those moments happen because she knew that once it passed, she would be happy again.

What do you think The Captain Hope Sidekick costume looks like? Draw it!
“Okay honey, you are all done,” the nurse said to Sunny, “If you want, you could stop by the toy chest on your way out. Mr. Hall, don’t forget to make your next appointment with the front desk before you leave.”

Sunny and their dad said ‘thank you’ to the nurse, made their way out of the office. When Sunny passed by the toy chest, they noticed that there were barely any toys in it. Sunny decided not to take anything, so the younger kids there could still get a toy. While at the front desk Sunny mentioned to the woman that the toy chest was almost out of toys

“Oh, I know. You are the third person who has told me. We’re trying to refill it, but we are running out of toys at the office too. Since summer is only a couple of weeks away, the donations drop because people are getting ready to go away on vacation and there are no major holidays that involve gift giving. We’ll just have to wait until we get some more.”
At first, Sunny thought about transforming into Captain Hope, and flying around town gathering toys, but then, they had a different idea. They decided that they would do a summer toy drive! Sunny got to work right away with a visit with one of the Child Life Specialists.

“Hi Sunny, what can I do for you?” Penny asked.

“I want to put on a toy drive, but I don’t know how to do it.” Sunny said.

“That sounds wonderful Sunny! I would love to help! Well, first, we can only take new toys, so make sure you don’t accept any toys that look like they have been used before. Check for a tag, or if it is still in the original packaging. You could set up a table at a town event, leave a box at a business (with their permission), or talk to local schools, clubs, religious institutions and Scouts and have them gather donations. After that, bring them here or to our office building so that we can distribute them. I look forward to seeing all the toys you collect!”

“Thank you, that was very informative. I never knew a toy drive was so easy to organize. I think I’ll put a donation box at all the places you mentioned, since you guys are in need of a lot of toys.”

As soon as Sunny got home they started sending emails. The town’s annual Start of Summer Bash was coming up
in a few weeks, Sunny could set up a table there. Sunny emailed the event organizer about having a table and an ad in the flyer. She said yes! Sunny sent her all the information she needed to know. Then Sunny emailed some middle and high school counselors about the toy drive. They said that they would have some of their clubs help with the drive. They reached out to their local Girl and Boy Scouts and talked with their religious organization. Finally, Sunny went to the grocery store and asked if they could set up a box and they also agreed! Sunny decided that they would pick up all the toys the day after the Summer Bash.

After a few weeks it was finally time for the toy drive! Sunny put on one of their Valerie Fund t-shirts and went to their table at the Bash. There were lots of blow-up slides and obstacle courses. A pizzeria was giving out free pizza and even cotton candy! Sunny set up their table and put out some coloring pages and pencils so people would notice their booth. At first, they only got a few toys, some dolls and a pack of cards. Someone tried to donate a garbage bag of
old toys, but Sunny apologized and said they couldn’t take them to the hospital. Instead, they would give the old toys to a local soup kitchen. The man with the garbage bag sighed, he didn’t care, as long as the toys didn’t come back home with him.

It wasn’t until later in the night that Sunny got a lot of toys. People were leaving the Bash to grab toys and coming back to donate them. By the end of the night Sunny’s box was full! Sunny couldn’t wait for tomorrow when they could see how many toys were in the other boxes, but, before they could even get home, their Mom’s car stopped working!

“I’m sorry honey, we can’t get the other boxes until next week.” Sunny’s parents told them after they found out the mechanic had to order a new part for the car.

Sunny was upset, they knew that The Valerie Center was counting on those toys! That night they could barely sleep. Eventually they were able to drift off, they dreamt about a car chasing them and eating toys. But when they woke up, they had an idea! It looks like Captain Hope would help with the toy drive after all! Sunny, after asking their parent’s permission,
transformed into Captain Hope and flew over to the grocery store. They found the box of toys in the front entrance of the store and it was filled pretty high. It would be hard to fly without dropping any of the toys, so Captain Hope pinned the Toolbox Badge onto their cape and it turned into an orange backpack! At first, Captain Hope didn’t think all the toys would fit. But the inside of the bag seemed larger than its outside! Captain Hope decided to leave the empty donation box at the grocery store, so they asked the manager if it was ok to leave the box so that it could be filled up again, and she said it was a great idea! Then, they went to the schools, clubs and religious houses and picked up the toys from there, finally they stopped home to get the toys from the day before. The Scouts had heard what happened with Sunny’s car, so they brought the toys they collected directly to the hospital where they met up with Captain Hope.

Captain Hope and their Scout friends were so excited for everyone at the Center to see all the new toys!

“Where should I put all the toys?” Captain Hope asked Penny.

Penny was surprised to see Captain Hope, since she was expecting Sunny, “Captain Hope! What are you doing here? I thought Sunny was doing the toy drive?”
“Uhhh,” Captain Hope was thinking fast, they didn’t want to blow their cover! “I saw the flyers from Sunny... and decided to help out! I found out Sunny’s car broke down so I offered to gather all the toys and deliver them!”

“Oh, okay! You can just put the toys in my office, and I’ll take care of the rest. Thank Sunny for me when you see them and thank you and the Scouts for your help!”

While Captain Hope flew home, they felt relieved that they didn’t accidentally reveal their secret identity. Over the next few months, Sunny continued their toy drive and was able to restock the Valerie Center’s toy chest, closet, shelves and under everyone’s desks! After that, the summer toy drive became an annual event put on by the town.

What are some of the unique toys that Sunny got in their toy drive? Draw them!
The New Captain Hopes

It was summer vacation, and Sunny was going on their Make-A-Wish trip to Disney World and to visit some colleges near Florida. Sunny and their family would be there for a full three weeks! Sunny was excited to go, but also worried. Their treatment had ended, and it was getting hard to keep up with Captain Hope and school. In the fall, they would be a junior in high school and they would have to start searching for colleges. They were no longer at the Valerie Center all the time, so they had a hard time knowing when their help was needed. One day, Sunny reached into the utility belt and pulled out a chip that, when placed at the Center, would alert Sunny when Captain Hope was needed. Now that they were going to Florida, Sunny would never be able to get back to the Center if they needed them. But Sunny, as always, had a plan. Emma was still going to the Center every few weeks for her blood transfusions. Sunny would give her the watch that allowed them to transform into Captain Hope.

With their parent’s permission, Sunny flew to the hospital the Tuesday before they left. Since Emma was the first Captain Hope sidekick, Captain Hope had had a lot of different sidekicks since first meeting Emma, but Emma had the most experience. She would make a great Captain Hope while they
were away. Captain Hope waited for Emma at the exit of the hospital before asking to talk with her.

“Hello Emma, it’s good to see you!” Captain Hope said.

“Captain Hope!” Emma gave them a hug, “it’s so good to see you too! Do you need me to be your sidekick again?”

“No, I actually have a bigger favor to ask you Emma. I’m going on my Make-A-Wish trip next week and visiting some colleges, I’ll be too far away to help out at The Valerie Center. I need you to be Captain Hope while I am away.”

Emma was stunned, she knew that Captain Hope was a Valerie Fund kid just like her, but she never really believed it.

“Are you gonna give me the sidekick badge again?”

Emma asked.

“No, Emma, this belt is what allows me to change into Captain Hope.” As Captain Hope said this, they took the belt off. Once the belt left their waist, they transformed back into Sunny. Emma stepped back. It was the first time Captain
Hope had shown their secret identity to anyone as far as Emma knew. They held the belt out to Emma.

“Sunny? You’re Captain Hope?!” Emma and Sunny had been friends for a few years, Sunny was like her older sibling! Emma could not believe that Sunny had never told her that they were Captain Hope!

“Yes, I’ll tell you about how I became Captain Hope some other time. I have to get back home. I know that you will make a great Captain Hope while I’m away.” Sunny turned to leave, but then thought of something else to tell Emma, “The belt is connected to a chip in the center so you can be alerted when they need you. If you have any questions you can just text me”

“Thank you Sunny. I’m so glad that you trust me to be Captain Hope. I hope you have a good trip. I guess I’ll see you when you get back.” Emma gave Sunny another quick hug before running to catch up with her mom.

It was just then Sunny realized that they would have to walk home, since they couldn’t transform into Captain Hope and
fly. It would be weird without the belt, but they would get used to it.

Emma’s first adventure as Captain Hope was when she went around the inpatient wing and cheered up the kids there. Just like she had done when she was a sidekick. She had lots of fun and did a good job. Some of the kids noticed that Captain Hope sounded different. So, she told them that she was filling in for the other Captain Hope. The kids were amazed to learn that Captain Hope could be different people.

It was hard at first trying to balance regular life with Captain Hope life. Emma wasn’t sure how Sunny did it. After only half a week Emma had to help with fundraising, delivering toys, cheering up kids, and delivering medication. She was exhausted! She was barely able to keep up with it all and stopped visiting the inpatient wing. After a week and a half, it was time for her to get a checkup at the center. While there she overheard nurses talking while she was getting her blood.

“The kids upstairs have really missed Captain Hope, they have been so bored, and tired recently—”
Emma sank into her chair; she didn’t mean to neglect the other kids. She just didn’t know how to balance it all. She decided to visit after her transfusion was over.

When she walked into the inpatient playroom, all the kids cheered and ran up to her. They played lots of games and even told stories. She saw some of the older kids teaching the younger ones how to play all the games. That’s when she had an idea.

“Everyone, I have something to say,” all the kids fell silent and turned towards her. “As I’m sure you noticed I haven’t been around too often. I’m sorry. I’ve been having trouble doing everything that Captain Hope should be doing. I need your help. From now on, you and every other Valerie Fund kid is one of my helpers. As my helper’s you guys should organize toy drives and continue these game days. You all can be Captain Hopes for each other.”

The older kids nodded understanding Captain Hope perfectly even some of the younger kids seemed to understand. After that day word spread quickly, all the kids helped each other and did what they could to help the Doctors
and Nurses. They were like an army of little Captain Hopes. When Sunny returned home they saw all that Emma had done and were very proud of her. After a few days, Emma and Sunny met so that Emma could return the belt, she was happy Sunny was back, but she would miss being Captain Hope.

“Sunny! I’m so glad you are back! Did you have a good trip?” Emma asked as she hugged them.

“Yes! I had lots of fun and I saw some pretty cool colleges! From what I’ve heard, you’ve been very busy too.” Sunny smiled and Emma blushed.

Emma felt like she had left Sunny down because she wasn’t able to be Captain Hope on her own.

“I’m sorry Sunny, I know I didn’t do that great of a job.”

“What do you mean Emma?! You did a great job; I can’t believe I didn’t think about having everyone be their own Captain Hope sooner!”

“Really?” Emma was surprised and felt proud of herself.
“Really! In fact, I think it’s about time someone else was Captain Hope.”

“But Sunny you don’t mean that! Do you?”

“Well, I’ve been thinking about it, I’m no longer in treatment and I just can’t seem to keep up with my Captain Hope responsibilities and school. I want you to be the new Captain Hope.” Emma was stunned, she couldn’t speak. “Well, what do you say Emma? Would you like to be the next Captain Hope?”

Emma stared at Sunny, her mind raced, she could only say one word . . .

“Yes!”

Draw Emma as Captain Hope!
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**Instructions:**

One person asks the other players to give them words based on the prompt below the blank line. The other players suggest words to fill in each blank. After all the blanks are filled in the story is read aloud.
**Word prompt meanings:**

1. **Adjective:** a word that describes a person, place, or thing. I.e., slimy, pretty, nice, quick, or soft

2. **Adverb:** a word that describes an action; usually ends in “ly”. I.e., quickly, happily, quietly, grumpily, or sadly

3. **Past tense:** refers to something that happened in the past; a word that often ends in “ed”. I.e., ran, jumped, smiled, sang, or filled

4. **Emotion:** a word that describes how a person is feeling. I.e., happy, sad, angry, excited, or afraid

5. **Appliance:** a device that is made to perform a specific action. I.e., microwave, washer machine, fridge, toaster oven, or coffee maker

6. **Unit of time:** something that measures time. I.e., minute, hour, second, decade, or millennium

7. **Onomatopoeia:** a word that replicates a sound. I.e., bang, crash, crack, bam, or pow

8. **Exclamation:** a sudden word or phrase that expresses surprise, anger, pain, or joy; usually is followed by an exclamation mark and/or a question mark. I.e., wow!, ow!, yay!, no way!, or what?!
The Search for the Missing Mini Soda

It was a(n) ____________ day at the Hospital. Kristin had been ____________

adjective

watching ____________ all day. She was craving a can of ____________
noun

__________ but there was none in her room. She ____________
soda name

asked Captain Hope to get the drink. Captain Hope ____________
verb past tense

out of the room and ____________ to the Kitchenette but it did not have the drink Kristin wanted. Captain Hope then ____________ to
verb past tense

the Cafeteria. There were ____ people in the Cafeteria, and it was

number

very ____________ in there. Unfortunately, the Cafeteria was also
adjective

out of the drink Kristin wanted. Captain Hope left the Cafeteria

feeling ____________. Captain Hope then decided that they would try
to buy the drink at _____________. When Captain Hope went there, they

store's name

finally found the drink. Captain Hope felt very ____________ they

adjective

also bought ____________ (s) and a few ____________ while

number noun plural noun

they were at the store. They ____________ ____________ back to the
verb adverb

hospital. Kristen was happy that Captain Hope had gotten her the

__________ drink.
Sunny Makes a Pizza

On ___________ Sunny decided to make pizza. They got the day of week ingredients from the pizza shop down the street. Sunny made a

__________ shaped pizza and put ___________ ___________ on it.

shape         adjective       type of cheese
They also put ___________ ___________ ___________ (s) on top. They baked

number      adjective      food
their pizza in the ___________ for ___________ and they

appliance number  unit of time
decided to eat their pizza on the ___________ but, before they

furniture
could, they heard a(n) ___________ and the front door flew open! It onomatopoeia

was a(n) ___________! It ___________ into the house and knocked animal verb past tense

over the ___________. Sunny tried to catch it but it was too furniture

___________. Then it grabbed Sunny’s pizza and ___________ out adjective verb past tense

of the house. Sunny signed and decided to just order food from the

noun. So much for making their own pizza!
Emma and the Talent Show

Every _______ the Valerie Fund puts on a(n) _________ talent show. Emma decided that she would do a dance from her favorite movie _________. She decided that she would wear her lucky ________ _________. She would practice her dance for ________ minute(s) every day until the talent show. She would use a(n) ________ noun as a prop for her performance. For her first dance move she would do the ________ ________, then the ________ ________, and finish with the ________ ________. The talent show would start at ________ on _________. Emma was so excited for her performance that she couldn’t ________ the whole week before the show. Finally, it was time for the show! Emma did all her moves perfectly and after everyone in the crowd ________ and said ________! Emma couldn’t stop smiling.
Weekly Calendar

On Monday mornings the therapy _______________ come to the Animal Plural hospital to visit the kids. The kids loved how ___________ and adjective ___________ they were. The kids liked to ___________ verb ___________ adverb with them through the halls of the hospital. On Tuesdays someone would make ___________ ___________ for breakfast with a variety adjective ___________ plural noun of toppings. On Wednesdays, the ___________ clown would come and noun do magic tricks. The clown’s favorite was the ___________ ___________. adjective verb Thursdays was when the Captain Hope visited the hospital to play ___________ games and _______ with the kids through the hall. Finally, noun verb on Friday the _______ came to ___________ ___________ and noun adverb verb ___________ _________ with the kids. What an amazing week!
**Emma and the Missing Puzzle Piece**

Emma loved to do puzzles. Sometimes the puzzles look like (a/n) _______ _______ and sometimes they look like (a/n) _______ _______. Today she was making a puzzle that looked like a(n) noun _______ _______. But, just as Emma was placing the _______ noun verb number piece down, she realized that she was missing the last piece. She stood up _______ and _______ _______ down to look for the piece on adverb verb past tense the _______. But, it was not there. Emma then looked on top of noun the _______ but the piece still wasn't there! Emma was very noun _______ _______ that she could not find the _______ puzzle piece. emotion adjective She thought about replacing the piece with a _______, but she knew noun it would not look right. Then as she was _________ she said verb ending in “ing” _________! She had _________ right on the missing puzzle exclamation verb past tense piece! She wondered, _________, how the puzzle piece had gotten adverb all the way over there!
Sunny’s Fundraiser

Sunny decided to put on a fundraiser for The Valerie Fund.

They would sell ___________ to people for $___________ each. They decided to set up their table at the ___________ store. Sunny was ___________ hoping to make $___________ from the fundraiser! On the day of the ___________ fundraiser, it was very ___________ and ___________ out; Sunny ___________ knew that they would have lots of customers. Sunny ___________ over to the store to set up their table. Sunny set out all ___________ the ___________ and ___________ on the table and ___________ a sign up listing the prices of the items. The first ___________ customer was a very ___________ person and they bought three ___________. The next customer was a(n) ___________ woman who bought ___________ items from Sunny. ___________ number

By the end of the day Sunny had sold out! They made $___________ number from the fundraiser! What a(n) ___________ day!
Captain Hope and The Valerie Walk

The Valerie Fund hosts an annual _______K_____/_______.

There are always many booths and ____________ activities for the

adjective

kids there. There were blow up ___________ that kids would

plural noun

__________ down. There was a grill that gave out free ____________

verb

and ___________. They would give out trophies for best

drink plural

__________, most __________, and fastest __________. There was a

noun noun verb

person who would paint ____________ on the kid's faces. Captain

plural noun

Hope would ________ around and take pictures with everyone. Some

verb

years the weather is very ___________ and other years it is very

adjective

__________. No matter what the day is always very fun. One year

adjective

while Captain Hope was ____________ around, they found a bunch

verb ending in "ing"

of baby ____________ by the pond. Captain Hope would spend the

Animal plural

whole year looking forward to that ____________ and ____________

adjective emotion
day!
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Instructions:

Find the hidden words in the puzzles below! Words can be vertical, horizontal, diagonal, and backwards!  (Answers on p. 75)
Captain Hope Wishes on a Star

O L E P E I R E L A V D A O
M A P W O N D E R F U L E V
A A R S R I E Y A A R E M U
R T G E O P C E P E P C O D
T I D E A E E T R P E A N R
I P L A N E T V E G L P O E
A H S T R O N G O R N T P A
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SLEEP
SUNNY
SHOOTING STAR
MARTIAN
ULEX
GREEN
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Captain Hope and the Zofran Jam

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# Captain Hope's Sidekick

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- SIDEKICK
- BORED
- ORANGE CAPE
- TIDAL WAVE
- ARMOR
- EMOTIONS
- SIDEKICK BADGE
- VOLUNTEER
- BOARD GAMES
- EMMA
- SMILE
- UPSET
- ASSIGNMENT
- HAPPY
- POSITIVE
Sunny's Toy Drive

O S B E Y D O N A T I O N S
T E A V S C H O O L S N P Y
O C S U M M E R B A S H O E
O R O S B A C K P A C K T S
L E C D T T O E E D M O Y L
B T S L B B B S A R Y O E I
O I E C P E T Y C C T K E C
X D M G T C H I L D L I F E
B E A T O C D O P E N N Y T
A N G T S N S S V R S S A D
D T Y N A E T O Y C H E S T
G I S E T O Y D R I V E L R
E T A V T M I I C H Y E M S
A Y M E S U M M E R C A T O

TOY CLOSET
TOY CHEST
CHILD LIFE
SUMMER
SCHOOL
SECRET IDENTITY
SUMMER BASH
GAMES
TOOL BOX BADGE
PENNY
EVENT
DONATIONS
TOY DRIVE
TOYS
BACKPACK
The New Captain Hopes

D N H I G H S C H O O L P O
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TREATMENT
VALERIE FUND
CHEERED UP
TRANSFORMATION
BALANCE
HELP
HELPERS
PROUD
WATCH
GOOD JOB
KIDS
DISNEY WORLD
MAKE A WISH
HIGH SCHOOL
FUNDRAISE
Captain Hope and Valerie Walk

KILOMETER
FIVE
WALK
TROPHY
BANNER
FAMILY
PARK
VERONA
TVF KID
FUN
RUN
TEAM
JUNE
VALERIE
SUMMER

EVROVOIPBPARKL
VBRIERELAVIEVR
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IMKRMYAEURTEO
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MEMEAHFIITRAFRA
Sunny Makes a Pizza

OVEN
BASIL
MELTED
CRUST
YUMMY
PIZZA
MOZZARELLA
NIGHT
SLICE
BAKE
TOMATO
CHEESE
DOUGH
PEPPERONI
SAUCE
Emma and the Talent Show

SHOW
LIGHTS
CAMERA
APPLAUSE
MUSIC
PRACTICE
ANNUAL
NERVOUS
STAGE
MOVES
TALENT
AUDIENCE
DANCE
CURTAIN
AUDITORIUM
Weekly Calendar

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MAGIC TRICKS
HAPPY
DOGS
VISITS
ART
CHILD LIFE
MUSIC
AMAZING
BELGIAN WAFFLES
KIDS
THERAPY
FUN
BOARD GAMES
CLOWN
WEEK
Emma and the Missing Puzzle Piece

PUZZLE
BOX
PIECE
MISSING
GAME
CARDBOARD
ENJOY
BUILD
LAST
HOBBY
PICTURE
SEARCHING
LOST
COMPLETED
LIKED
The Search for the Missing Mini Soda

C C D C D E L N F S N B A C
A I K A B R B A U D N U E A
R I R Y U B I I S T V B A R
C L I I F O U N D Y S B T B
A N S N N T O F K E O L G O
F N T I R D E T L I N Y R N
E I I M H H H T E E L D O A
T I N I G S T O R E C A C T
E C A N S O U S A A D O E E
R F G D B E N R U O G C R D
I F A N T G B U S E B O I Y
A E D A C R A V I N G B E M
N K D I T O E T B I A C S F
K I T C H E N E T T E R I D

CANS
STORE
BOTTLES
BUBBLY
CAFETERIA
BUY
GROCERIES
DRINK
CRAVING
MINI
KITCHENETTE
FOUND
KRISTIN
CARBONATED
SODA
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Instructions:

Each number represents the number of colored pixels in a row/column. If there are two or more numbers next to each other that means that there is at least one empty space between the colored pixels. For example, if there is a 2 and a 1 that means there are 2 colored pixels, at least one space, and then one colored pixel as seen below. If the two numbers have a line connecting them then it means that it is a double-digit number like eleven. Below is a sample puzzle and its answer key. You can mark spaces that you think are empty with an “x”. It’s a good idea to use a pencil for this activity and then color it in! (Answers on p. 82)

5x5 Grid: A Soft and Cuddly Friend (Answer: Teddy Bear)
6x6 Grid: A Place to Change

Find Sunny a private place to transform into Captain Hope!
7x7 Grid: Build a Toy

Help build a toy for the kids to play with while waiting!
8x8 Grid: Sunny’s Favorite Animal

Help find Sunny’s favorite animal!
9x9 Grid: Ice Cream Topping

Help make a topping for Emma’s ice cream!
10x10 Grid: A Refreshing Treat
Help make a refreshing treat for The Valerie Walk!
11x11 Grid: Emma’s Pet

Help Emma find a good pet!
12x12 Grid: A Warm Drink

Help make a warm drink for Captain Hope after they flew in the rain!
13x13 Grid: Sunny’s Snack

Help Sunny get a snack!
14x14 Grid: Emma’s Favorite Holiday

Help Emma celebrate her favorite holiday!
15x15 Grid: Sunny’s Favorite Weather

Help Sunny draw their favorite type of weather!
Mazes

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Instructions:

Help the gang through a series of adventures! The entrance for each maze is on the left and the exit is on the bottom. For maze 6, the entrance is above the exit. (Answer are on p. 86)
Captain Hope Wishes on a Star: Level 1

Help Sunny’s wish get to the shooting star!
Captain Hope and the Zofran Jam
Help Captain Hope get the Truck to the Hospital!
Captain Hope’s Sidekick: Level 3
Help Captain Hope and Emma play boardgames!
Sunny’s Toy Drive: Level 4

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