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Summary

Short John Silver the pirate has a map. Kate and Nick help the pirate read the map and find the treasure!

Skills at a Glance

Monitor-Reading
- Ask questions

Comprehension
- Analyze plot

Phonics
- CVCe long a (shapes, lakes, places, take, cave, lake, Kate)

Word Study
- Contractions (don't, let's, we're)

Fluency
- Read with appropriate pitch

Fiction Genre
- Fantasy

* Numerals, vocabulary words on pages 2 and 3, and words in photo captions, labels, diagrams, and charts are not included in the word count for this book.

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Meet the Characters

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Short John Silver, the pirate

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Kate



Nick



Nick and his sister Kate ran to the beach. "Let's dig for pirate treasure!" said Nick.

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"What is pirate treasure?" asked Kate.
Nick said, "Pirate treasure is gold."



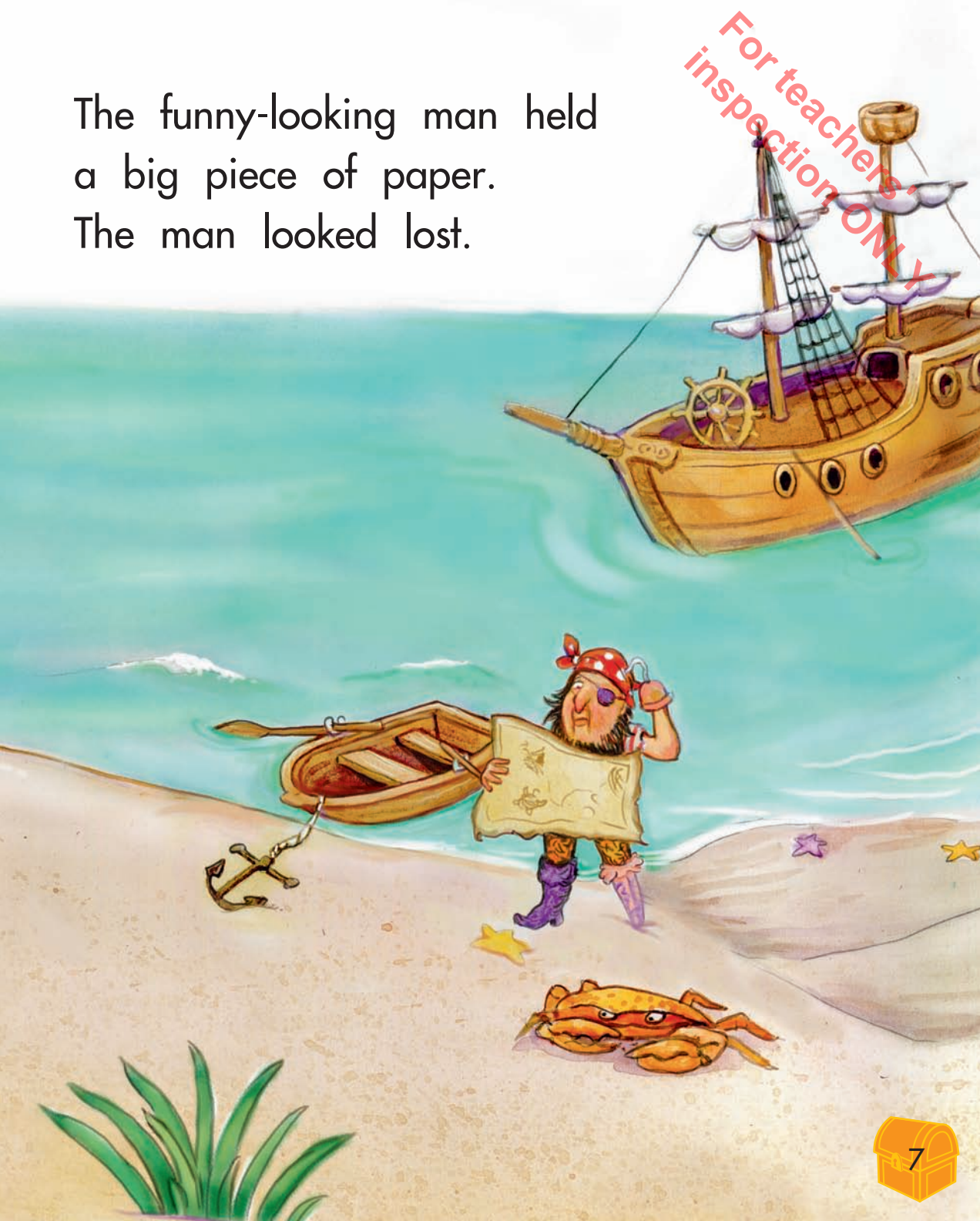
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Nick dug. Kate watched the water. A funny-looking man got out of a rowboat.



The funny-looking man held a big piece of paper. The man looked lost.



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"Are you a pirate?" asked Nick.
The man said, "Shh! Yes, I am a pirate.
I am Short John Silver. I took this map
from Sticky Hand Sam. The map shows
where Sam hid his loot. But I don't know
how to read the map."



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Kate looked at the map. "The shapes on this map show where lakes and other places are. The lines show paths you can take," Kate said.

