

## ***Haggis and Tank Unleashed Activities***

### **1. Homophone Hunt:**

Printable activity sheet:

<https://jessicayoungbooks.files.wordpress.com/2014/08/haggistank-activities1homophone-hunt.pdf>

Homophones are words that sound the same but are spelled differently and have different meanings, like “sail” and “sale.” How many homophone pairs can you find in *All Paws on Deck*? Circle the homophone pairs in the word search.

### **2. Homophone Zone:**

Homophones are words that sound the same but are spelled differently and have different meanings, like “sail” and “sale.” Pick a homophone pair and write a sentence that includes the homophones.

See Sea Sail Sale Sew So I Eye Not Knot Pale Pail

Pause Paws Piece Peace Tale Tail Pair Pear Here Hear Days Daze

Knew New Herd Heard Know No Won One Ate Eight

My sentence:

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Draw a picture illustrating your sentence.

### **3. Awesome Paw-some**

Printable activity sheet:

<https://jessicayoungbooks.files.wordpress.com/2016/12/samedifferent1.pdf>

Haggis and Tank are two friends who are very different. But they have some things in common, too. Draw two overlapping circles to create a Venn Diagram. Write “Haggis” above one circle and “Tank” above the other circle. Write words that describe Haggis in the circle below his name. Write words that describe Tank in the circle below her name. Write words that describe both Haggis and Tank in the space where the two circles overlap. Do you have a friend who is different than you? List some of the ways you are different and some of the ways you are the same.

#### **4. Let's Be Pirates!**

Printable activity sheet:

<https://jessicayoungbooks.files.wordpress.com/2014/08/haggistank-activities1pirate-flag.pdf>

In *All Paws on Deck*, Haggis and Tank's ship is called *The Golden Biscuit*. If you had a pirate ship, what would you name it? Draw your flag.

#### **5. Treasure Hunt**

In *All Paws on Deck*, Haggis and Tank pretend to be pirates. If you were a pirate, what treasure would you hunt for? Draw what would be inside your treasure chest, and make a trail to your treasure on a map. Be sure to make an "X" to mark the spot where it's buried!

#### **6. Dino Games**

In *Digging for Dinos*, Haggis and Tank play games with a triceratops. If you had a dinosaur for a friend, what games would you play?

#### **7/ What's My Line?**

Printable activity sheet:

<https://jessicayoungbooks.files.wordpress.com/2014/08/haggistank-activities2-dialogueactivitysheet.pdf>

Look at the picture and think up your own story. What might be happening, and what might the characters be saying? Fill in the speech bubbles to create a scene that's different than the one in the book!

#### **8/ Message in a Bottle**

Draw a small picture of a treasure chest and hide it at home or in your classroom. Write a message that includes directions for a treasure hunt. See if a family member or friend can follow your directions and find the treasure! Use words from the following list to help make your directions: behind, under, over, left, right, between, around, through, above, below, near, far.

#### **9/ A Different Story**

Read the back of one of the *Haggis and Tank Unleashed* books. The short

summary, called “flap copy,” tells what the story is about. See if you can write a short summary for a new *Haggis and Tank* book. Make sure to include the characters’ names and a brief description of what happens. What imaginary adventure will Haggis and Tank dream up? Is there a goal they’re trying to reach, or something they’re trying to get? What problems do they have to solve along the way?

### **10/ Readers Theater**

Assign students different roles for a class reading of one of the *Haggis and Tank Unleashed* books. Roles can include narrator, Haggis, Tank, sound effects/props, and director. Students can perform their roles all the way through the book, or switch roles after each chapter (students can share roles and the whole class can participate).

### **11/ Haggis and Tank Theme Song**

Write a short theme song for the *Haggis and Tank Unleashed* series. Tell about the characters and how they use their imaginations and go on adventures!

### **12/ Write a Review**

Write a review of one of the *Haggis and Tank Unleashed* books. Describe the characters

and what happens in the book. What parts stood out to you?

### **13/ What’s That Noise?**

Onomatopoeia is a very long word for “sound” words—words that sound like the thing or action that makes them. Including sound words in a story can make it fun to read and help readers imagine what’s happening in the story. These words can include animal sounds, too.

Here’s a list of common sound words. See how many you can add. Try using several sound words in a story of your own!

Buzz Bam Beep Boom Hum Bump Whoosh Kapow Squish Squeak Pop Hiss

### **14/ Packing Light**

Printable activity sheet:

[https://jessicayoungbooks.files.wordpress.com/2014/08/scholastic\\_haggist\\_ankas\\_packing\\_light.pdf](https://jessicayoungbooks.files.wordpress.com/2014/08/scholastic_haggist_ankas_packing_light.pdf)

You're going on an adventure with Haggis and Tank! What five things would you pack for a hiking trip to a mountaintop? What about a journey across the desert? Or a trip to the moon? If you had to leave two things behind, which ones would you choose, and why?

### **15/ Please, Please, Pretty Please . . .**

Tank is always persuading Haggis to go on adventures. Write a short letter to Haggis inviting him to join *you* on an exciting trip. Think about where you'll go, and be sure to make some points that might convince Haggis to go with you.

### **16/ My Castle**

In *Howl at the Moon*, Haggis and Tank visit a Scottish castle. If you had a castle, what would it look like? Would it have towers? A moat? A drawbridge? A flag? Draw your castle!

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