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The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader

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Educator’s Guide

Grades 5-8


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### ABOUT THE MOVIE

Return to the adventure and wonder of C.S. Lewis’s world on the fantastic Narnian ship, the Dawn Treader. This new installment of “The Chronicles of Narnia” motion picture series is directed by Michael Apted (Amazing Grace, 49 Up) from a screenplay by Christopher Markus, Stephen McFeely, and Michael Petroni.

For group sales, go to www.Narnia.com/groupsales.

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### ONE VOYAGE, MANY JOURNEYS

Everyone aboard the Dawn Treader, from the valiant and brave Reepicheep to the “singularly dis courteous” Eustace Clarence Scrubb, has his or her own unique journey to embark upon—one that will help each of them become wiser and more noble.

Eustace and Reepicheep have a long way to go before they see eye-to-eye. Here’s how they are described in the book by C.S. Lewis.

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**Eustace Clarence Scrubb**

“Eustace Clarence liked animals, especially beetles, if they were dead and pinned on a card. He liked books if they were books of information and had lots of pictures of grain elevators or of fat foreign children doing exercises in model schools. Eustace Clarence disliked his cousins the four Pevensies, Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy.”

(Ch. 1, page 2)

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**Reepicheep**

“But Reepicheep has an even higher hope.”

Everyone’s eyes turned toward the Mouse. “As high as my spirit,” it said. “Though perhaps as small as my stature. Why should we not come to the very eastern end of the world?... I expect to find Aslan’s own country. It is always from the east, across the sea, that the great Lion comes to us.”

(Ch. 2, page 21)

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### YOUR TURN

Use the quotes above and what you know from reading *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader* to answer these questions on the back of this page.

1. Do you think Eustace has much of an imagination? What about Reepicheep? Why or why not?

2. C.S. Lewis writes that Eustace had read “none of the right books.” What do you think he means? How do you think this affects the way Eustace behaves toward Reepicheep? See if you can find the clues Lewis offers as to what he thinks the “right books” are.

3. Reepicheep and Eustace are opposites in many ways. How do you think these differences might lead to a clash? How might they lead to a reconciliation?

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**RECONCILIATION** The act of restoring friendship or harmony.

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**SHIP SECRETS**

The ship used in the movie is BIG. It weighs 80 tons (as much as a blue whale) and was made from 1.24 miles of Oregon planking!
Activity 2

The Voyage
Chart the course of the Dawn Treader as it sets sail for adventure!

As you read the book: Follow the line to see the route taken by King Caspian and his crew.
1) Label the places where the Dawn Treader travels on the numbered lines provided.
2) Write down the name(s) of the lord(s) the crew members meet or discover at these places.
   Use the lists of locations and names of the seven lords to help you label your map.

Who Said It?
"Then it is after the Lone Islands that the adventure really begins."

Names of Lords: Lord Restimar • Lord Rhoop • Lord Octesian • Lord Argoz • Lord Mavramorn • Lord Bern • Lord Revilian

Names of Places:
Terebinthia • Galma Lone Islands: Avra • Felimath • Bernstead • Narrowhaven • Doorn Other Islands: Coriakin’s Island
Burnt Island • Deathwater Island • Dark Island • Ramandu’s Island • Dragon Island Seven Isles: Redhaven on the Isle of Brenn • Muil

Who Said It?
“This is the island where dreams come true.”

Your Turn ➔ Why do they set sail?
What did Caspian vow he would do (with Aslan’s approval) once peace was established in Narnia?

BONUS Imagine you are one of King Caspian’s loyal crew. Choose three locations from this map. Then use the book to write creative journal entries describing what happened, who you met, and what you saw there!
Activity 3

The Dawn Treader’s sail is purple and shows two ramping lions. Ramping means “standing in a threatening position” and the color purple represents royalty and justice. These are elements of heraldry. Heraldry can be defined very simply as “elegant name tags.”

Heraldry began during the 12th century as a way to identify someone wearing a metal helmet or armor in battle. Since then, it has evolved into a system of symbols used to identify families, friends, and foes.

What do the heraldry symbols on the sail of the Dawn Treader proclaim to other ships? Why?

Use the following symbols from heraldry to design a sail for your own ship. What does your sail proclaim about you?

A Moral Compass

Navigating life is difficult and important. There are choices to be made at every turn and every decision brings new possibilities.

In The Voyage of the Dawn Treader, the adventurers make use of three ways to find their own paths: a) using their own eyes and ears; b) respecting the advice of others; and c) collecting wisdom and knowledge from books.

Activity 4

Eustace on Dragon Island

Something was crawling. Worse still, something was coming out. Edmund or Lucy or you would have recognized it at once, but Eustace had read none of the books. He saw the lithe body that trailed on the ground…And the lines of smoke were coming from its two nostrils. He never said the word Dragon to himself. Nor would it have made things any better if he had.

(Ch. 6, page 89)

Lucy and the Magician’s Book

“Child,” [Aslan] said, “I think you have been eavesdropping.”

“Eavesdropping?”

“You listened to what your two school-fellows were saying about you.”

“Oh, that? I never thought that was eavesdropping, Aslan. Wasn’t it magic?”

“Spying on people by magic is the same as spying on them in any other way. And you have misjudged your friend. She is weak, but she loves you.”

(Ch. 10, page 170)

The Adventurers on Deathwater Island

But Edmund, who appeared to be having some trouble with his boots—at least he was bending down and looking at them—straightened himself all at once and shouted out in the sharp voice which people hardly ever disobey:

“Get back! Back from the water. All of you. At once!!”

They all did and stared at him.” Look,” said Edmund, “look at the toes of my boots.”

“They look a bit yellow,” began Eustace.

“They’re gold, solid gold,” interrupted Edmund. “Look at them. Feel them. The leather’s pulled away from it already. And they’re heavy as lead.”

(Ch. 8, page 134)

1. Edmund’s careful observations probably saved everyone’s life. Describe one way that using your own eyes and ears have helped you make a good choice.

2. Lucy relies on Aslan as a guide and teacher. Who do you rely on to give you advice?

3. C.S. Lewis feels that if Eustace had read different books, he might have been better prepared for his adventure. Describe a few things you can learn by reading different kinds of books (e.g., detective stories, fantasies, etc.).
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***Additional Movie Details***

**Director:** Michael Apted  
**Producers:** Mark Johnson, Andrew Adamson & Philip Steuer  
**Executive Producers:** Douglas Gresham & Perry Moore  
**Screenplay:** Christopher Markus & Stephen McFeely and Michael Petroni  
**Main Actors**  
**Lucy Pevensie:** Georgie Henley  
**Edmund Pevensie:** Skandar Keynes  
**Caspian:** Ben Barnes  
**Eustace:** Will Poulter  
**Reepicheep:** Simon Pegg