

HMS VICTORY SAILORS HOME I SPY

Imagine you are a new recruit on HMS Victory.
What could your jobs be?
Where would you sleep & eat?

*Use the I-Spy trail to explore life on board HMS Victory.
Answer the questions in your group and then note down
any useful words in the Word Banks!*

Take a look in the Great Cabin



I spy . . . A shiny uniform



Who do you think lived here?
How can you tell he was important?
Can you find some clues about his job?



WORD BANK

Explore the Upper Gun Deck



I spy . . . A cat of nine tails



What were these objects used for?
**What do you think it was like for
the sailors?**
What do you think sailors did wrong?



WORD BANK

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I spy . . . Some chickens

Why did they need chickens?
What other animals did they have?
Why were animals on the ship?

WORD BANK



I spy . . . Medicine bottles

What illnesses do you think people had?
What was it like to be ill on the ship?
Who looked after the sailors?

WORD BANK

Next move up to the Foc'sle and the Quarter Deck



I spy . . . A bell

What do you think this was used for?
What were the sailors jobs?
Which would you like?



WORD BANK



I spy . . . Rigging

What would it have been like climbing the rigging?
Why was knot tying so important for sailors?

WORD BANK

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I spy . . . A binnacle

What did they keep in the binnacle?
What else would be useful for navigation?
What did they use to measure
the ship's speed?

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Move down through the ship to the Middle Gun Deck



I spy . . . The galley

What sort of food did the sailors eat?
What do you think it tasted like?
What was like to be the cook?



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I spy . . . An iron gun

How many men did it take to fire
the gun?
What was it like to be in the gun crew?
What do you think the equipment
was for?

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Finish the I Spy trail on the Lower Gun Deck

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I spy . . . A square plate



Why were the plates made of wood?
Do you know what the cups are made of?
What would it be like to live and work
with the same people everyday?

WORD BANK



I spy . . . A hammock



What was it like to sleep here?
Does it look comfortable?
What happened to the
hammocks during the day?

WORD BANK

Well done you've finished!
**Now visit the Orlop and Hold to find out more
about life on board.**

*When you have done that think about what it must have been like
to be a new recruit on HMS Victory. Some were only 8 years old!
Work together to think of some adjectives describing how you
would feel if you were a new ships boy!*

WORD BANK