

# The Key

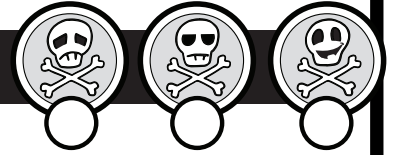
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When the coast was clear, Captain Starling and her crew crept out of the bushes where they had been hiding. They couldn't believe their luck! Captain Blackheart and his cronies had been chased off the island, leaving the treasure chest behind. What's more, they had saved Captain Starling and her crew hours of hard work by digging the chest up for them. Now all they had to do was open it! They were just working out the best way to break the lock when one of the cheeky monkeys leapt forward with the key in his hand and offered it to Captain Starling! She quickly took the key and tried it in the keyhole. The key slowly turned in the lock and they all heard a wonderful click as it opened. Captain Starling took a deep breath and swung the lid open. What were they going to find? They hoped for gold, of course. However, they were not prepared for what they did see. The chest was empty!

Except for one item that was lying in the bottom corner! A banana! But not even a banana that the monkeys could eat! This banana was made out of stone!



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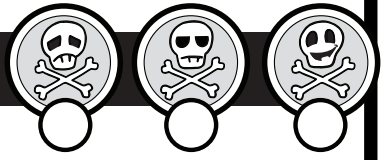
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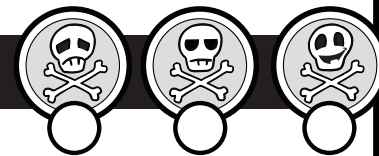
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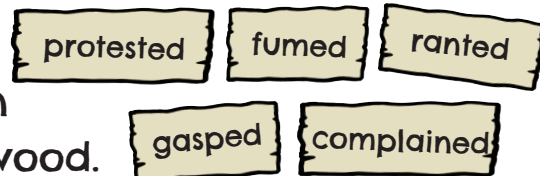


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