

Darwin's Fantastical Voyage

Activity 3: Packing for a voyage

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Suggested preparation

Presentation: Darwin's Fantastical Voyage

Ask the expert film: Darwin and the Beagle Voyage

Alison Pearn, Associate Director of the Darwin Correspondence Project, describes Darwin's amazing voyage

How long will activity take?

- 15 minutes

What do I need?

- Darwin's packing list
- *My packing list* template or paper
- Pen

What would you take on a modern expedition to help you look at, identify and record specimens that you find?

What do I do?

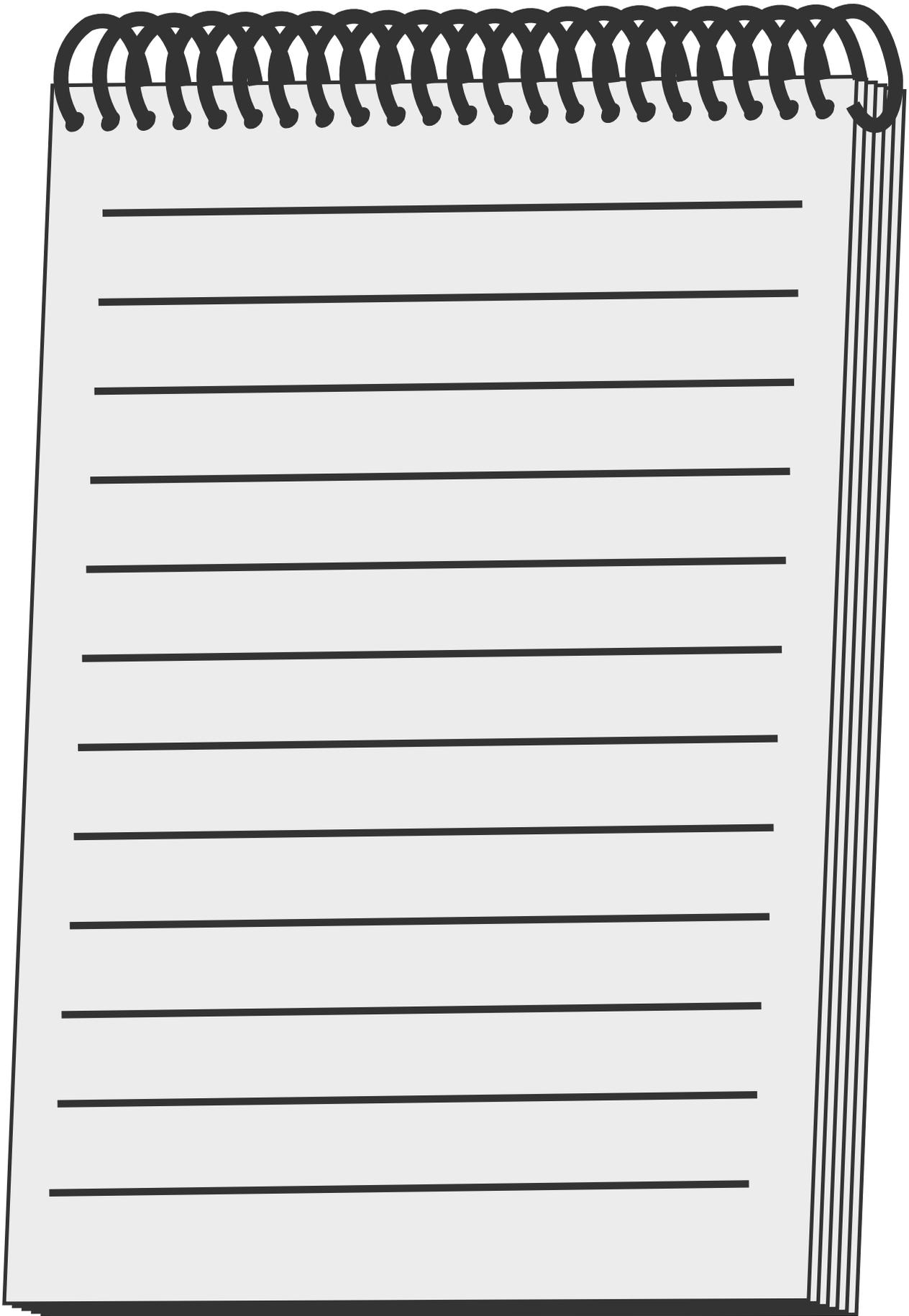
1. Have a look at Darwin's list of things that he took on the Beagle voyage.
2. Make your own list of specialist things that you might need to help you on a voyage today. You will be at sea for a long time, so you might need seasickness pills!
3. Share your list with the class.



Darwin's packing list

- Microscope
- Geological compass
- Telescope
- Case of good strong pistols
- Excellent rifle
- Light walking shoes
- Book on taxidermy
- Bible
- Binoculars
- Geological magnifying glass
- Jars of spirits for preserving specimens
- *Werner's Nomenclature of Colours* by Patrick Syme

My Packing List



A spiral-bound notebook with a black metal spiral binding at the top. The notebook is open to a page with 15 horizontal lines for writing. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across most of the page width. The notebook is shown from a slightly angled perspective, showing the thickness of the pages on the right side.