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sword	port	bounty	revenge	beast
compass	starboard	plunder	octopus	tentacles
spyglass	mast	threatened	wooden leg	escape
scroll	ship's wheel	anchor	porthole	galleon
stowaway	cabin	anchored	deserted	attack

DADWAVERS! Openers

Description- He had long, dark hair around his cheeks and a three-cornered hat on his head. Action- It grabbed the captain first with its huge tentacles.

Dialogue- 'We've got to find the chest,' whispered the captain.

Where- From the crow's nest, a voice called that there was land up ahead.

Adverb- Shouting loudly, the captain pointed to ship approaching them.

Verb- Digging through the sand, he spotted the corner of a wooden chest.

Estimation of time- Moments later, the cannon fired at the giant octopus.

Rhetorical Question- Was it possible to defeat the beast?

Simile/Metaphor - The captain hid like a cornered animal.

Note: DADWAVERS should be taught in small steps. In KS1 you may only wish to cover DAD or DADWAV. You may wish to only focus on one step and ask that the children practise this element until they are confident. You might choose to use some steps with selected groups only.