



There's one thing I have that most pirates don't.



24 legs?



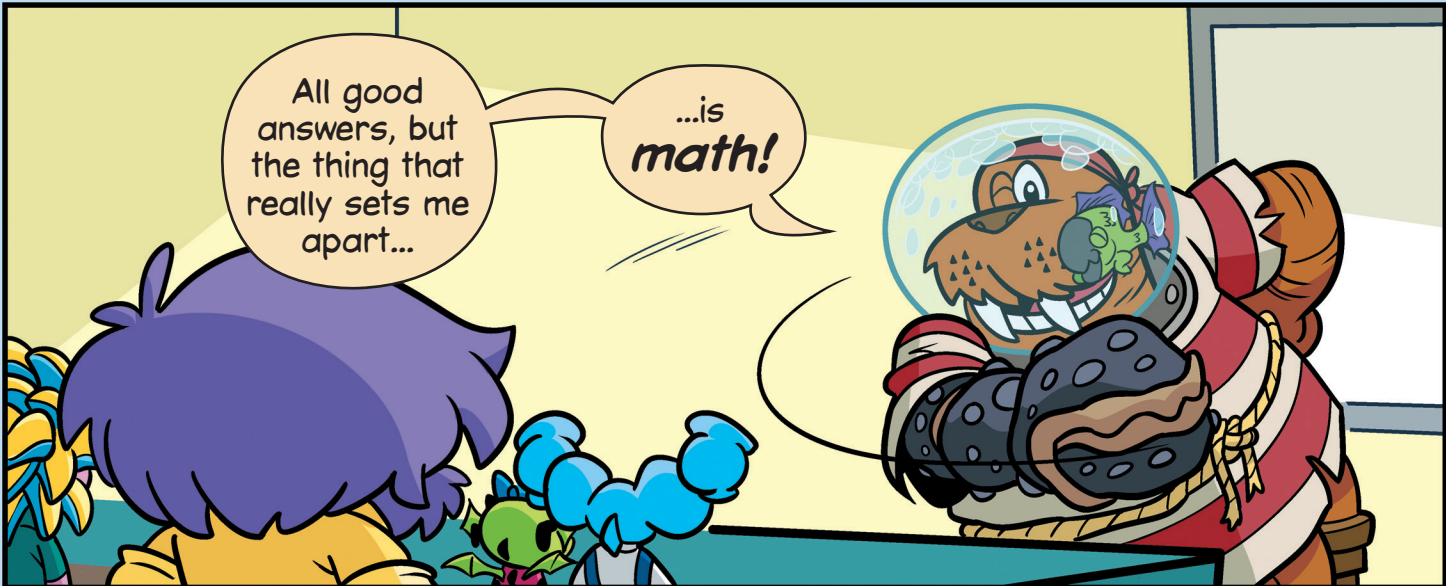
Your big claw?



That cool helmet?



Your parrotfish, Mister Wiggles?



All good answers, but the thing that really sets me apart...

...is **math!**



Math!?

Aye.

Many pirates are great sailors...

...but most only count on their fingers and toes.



Math is the key to making good trades.

For example...

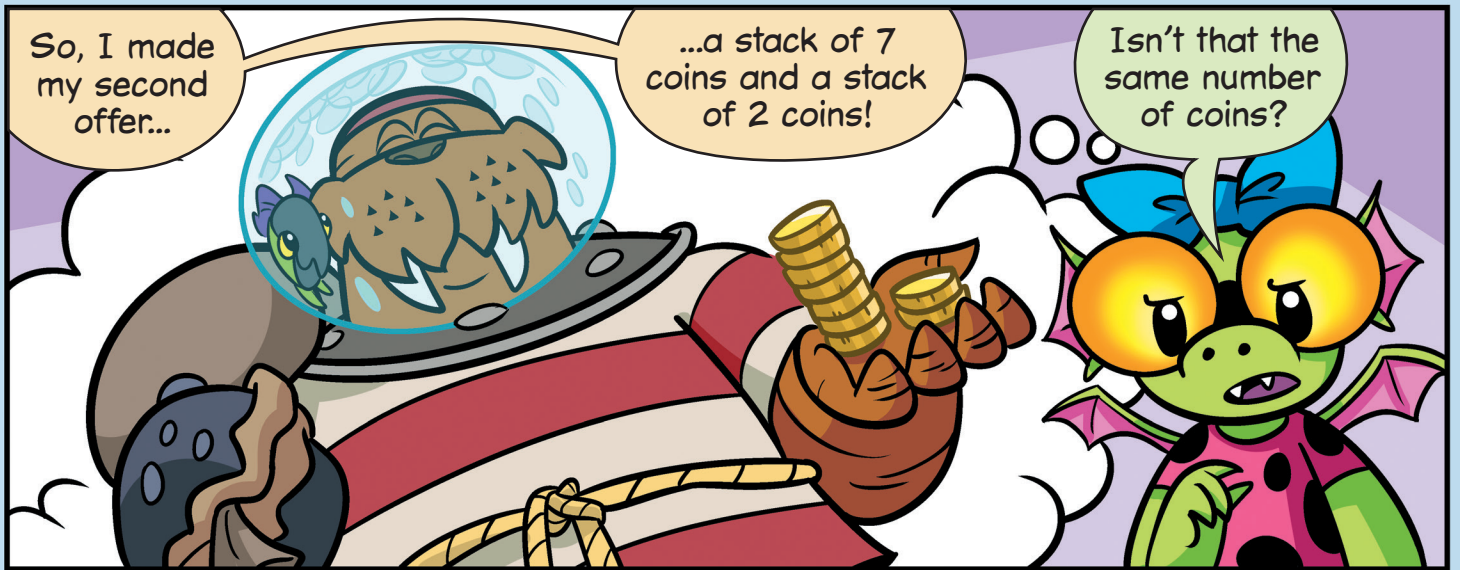
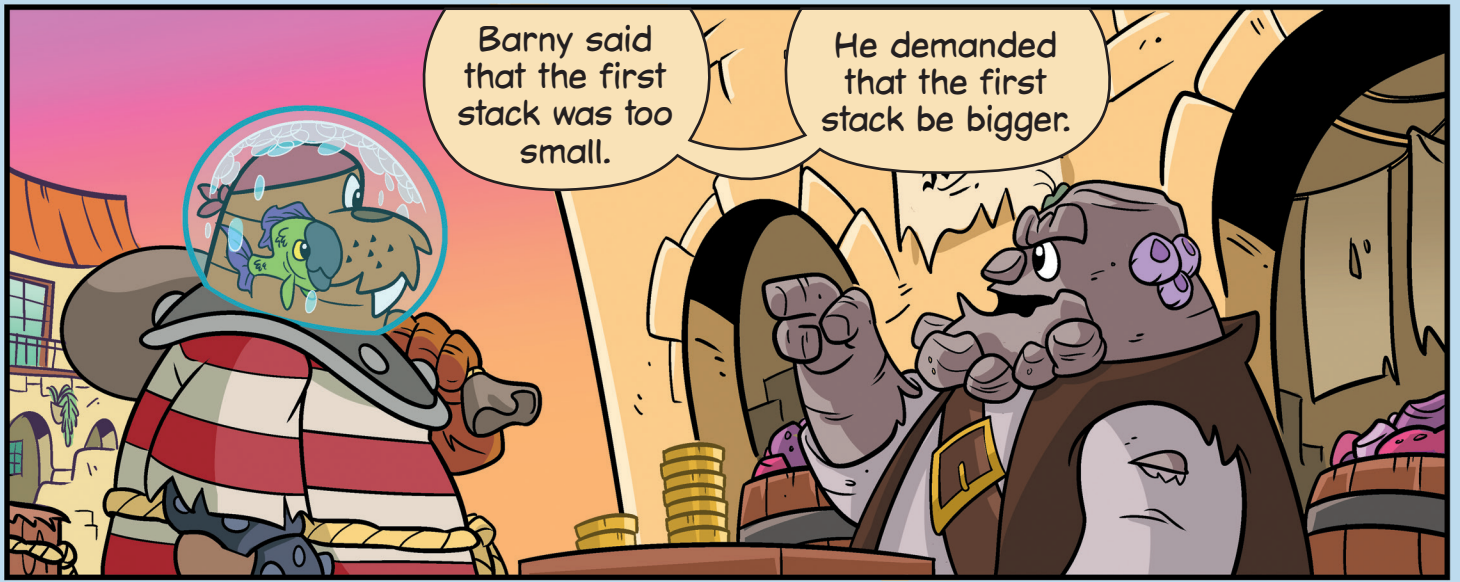
...not long ago, I was trading coins for precious stones with Barnacle Barny.



I offered a stack of 2 coins and a stack of 7 coins.

Was that enough?

How many coins are there?





Aye. Both ways have 9 coins.

But Barny didn't know that!

Seeing the big stack first, his eyes lit up...

...and he made the trade.

Cool!

You can switch the order of numbers when you add.

So, if I know $5+3$...

...then I also know $3+5$.

$$5 + 3 = 3 + 5$$

Aye!

If you add a 5 and a 3...

...it doesn't matter what order they're in.

They always add up to 8.

$$5 + 3 = 8$$
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