Pirate Songs

Pirate Ship (and old Camp Song)

When I was One I sucked my thumb the day I went to sea. I climbed aboard a pirate ship, And the captain said to me, We're going This way, That way, Forward, Backward, Over the Irish sea. A bottle of Sprite took care of my fright, and that's the life for me!

When I was 2, I tied my shoe... the day I went to sea...
3- Skinned my knee
4- Shut the door
5- Stayed alive
6- Picked up sticks
7- Went to Heaven
8- Had a date
9- Broke my spine
10- I said The End!

A Pirate's Life for Me (Yo Ho)

Yo ho, yo ho, a pirate's life for me.
We pillage plunder, we rifle and loot.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.
We kidnap and ravage and don't give a hoot.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.

Yo ho, yo ho, a pirate's life for me.
We extort and pilfer, we filch and sack.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.
Maraud and embezzle and even highjack.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.

Yo ho, yo ho, a pirate's life for me.
We kindle and char and in flame and ignite.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.
We burn up the city, we're really a fright.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.

We're rascals and scoundrels, we're villians and knaves.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.
We're devils and black sheep, we're really bad eggs.
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.

We're beggars and blighters and ne'er do-well cads,
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.
Aye, but we're loved by our mommies and dads,
Drink up me 'earties, yo ho.
Yo ho, yo ho, a pirate's life for me.

What Shall We Do With a Drunken Sailor

There are many different versions of the lyrics. Feel free to make up some of your own! Note that "early" is generally pronounced as "earl-eye." We like to sing this one while sipping root beer!

Intro
What shall we do with a drunken sailor, (3×)
Early in the morning?

Chorus
Hey Ho (or Hoo–ray/Wey–hey/Heave-ho) and up she rises, (3×)
Early in the morning!

Verses
Stick him in a bag and beat him senseless, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Put him in the brig until he's sober, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Slap him around and call him Suzie, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Put him in bed with the captain's daughter, (3×)
Early in the morning!
You aint seen the captain's daughter, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Keelhaul the man until he's sober, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Put 'im in the crow's nest and watch him fall down, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Put him in the bilge and make him drink it, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Give 'im the hair of the dog that bit him, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Put 'im in the back of the paddywagon, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Take 'im and shake 'im and try an' wake 'im, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Soak 'im in oil till he sprouts a flipper, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Put 'im in charge of an Exxon tanker, (3×)
Early in the morning!
Shave his belly with a rusty razor, (3×)
Early in the morning!

Outro
That's what we'll do with a drunken sailor, (3×)
Early in the morning! (Amen)