

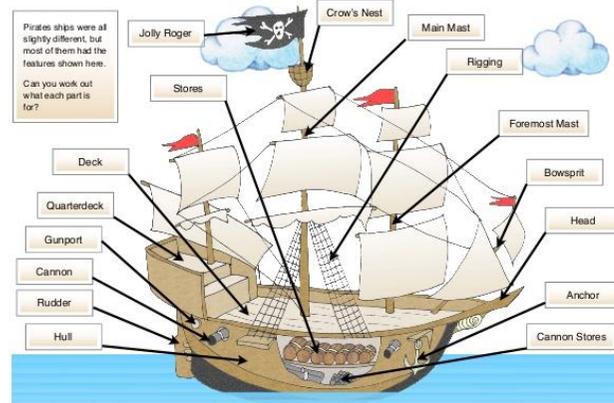
Pirates

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This is Blackbeard, he was one of the scariest pirates that ever lived.

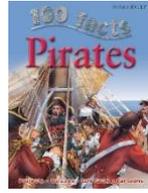
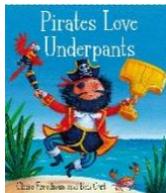
Key Vocabulary	
Anchor	A heavy metal object used to secure a ship to the bottom of the sea.
Barbaric	Savagely cruel.
Buccaneer	A pirate, originally one operating in the Caribbean.
Compass	A compass is a tool for finding direction.
Crowsnest	A platform at the top of a ship's mast.
Cutlass	A short sword with a slightly curved blade.
Infamous	Infamous people or things are well-known because of something bad.
Jolly Rodger	A pirate flag with a skull-and-crossbones.
Marooned	To leave someone trapped and alone in an inaccessible place, especially an island.
Nautical	Of or concerning navigation, sailors, pirates or the sea.
Rigging	The system of ropes, chains, and tackle used to support and control the masts and sails.
Sabotage	To deliberately destroy, damage something.
Stern	The rear part of a ship.
Stowaway	A person who hides on a ship.



Essential Knowledge

- A pirate is a person who commits a crime while at sea. The crimes could be anything but usually involve robbery or violence.
- The Jolly Roger, a flag featuring skull and crossbones is often associated with pirates. They were basically designed to frighten potential victims to surrendering their loot without having to put up a fight.
- Blackbeard's real name was Edward Teach he was known as the most terrifying pirate in the world. Before capturing a ship, he would put smoking rope into his beard and light it on fire to make himself look even more scary.
- Being a pirate wasn't just for men. Famous female pirates include Mary Read, Anne Bonny, Grace O'Malley, and Ching Shih.
- Grog—a mixture of rum, water, lemon juice, and sugar was the drink of choice for pirates.
- There are still pirates around today, especially in the Caribbean and Far East. They tend to use small boats, and sneak onto merchant ships in the dead of night to steal the cargo.

Relevant Reads -



Useful Websites –

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resources/topics/pirates>

<https://www.purplemash.com/#tab/pm-home/topics/pirates>