

Activity - Read the **Pirates** fact file and answer the questions

Pirates

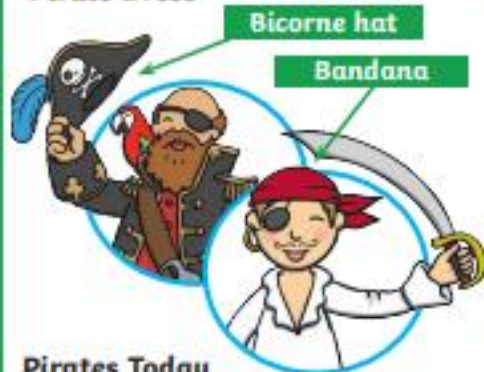


A pirate is a person who attacks and robs ships. Most piracy happened during the 1600s and 1700s.

Pirate Ships

Pirate ships were often ships which had been captured. Some pirate captains would start with a small ship and crew. Once they had captured a bigger ship, they would use that instead and take on more crew members.

Pirate Dress



Bicorne hat

Bandana

Famous Pirates of the Golden Age

John 'Jack' Jackham

- English pirate captain who made the Jolly Roger flag.

Bartholomew Roberts

- Welsh pirate who captured 400 ships in four years!



Pirates Today

They don't dress the same as pirates from the past, but pirates do still exist today in places around the world.

Did you know?

- Pirates stole useful items such as medicine, weapons and soap as well as gold and silver.

- Pirates thought whistling on a ship could cause a storm.

- As far as we know, pirates never used treasure maps. This could have been an idea which was made up for pirate stories.



1. Match the beginning of a sentence to the correct ending:

A pirate

400 ships in 4 years.

Most pirate captains started out with

made the Jolly Roger flag.

John 'Jack' Rackham

attacks and robs ships.

Roberts captured

a small ship and crew.

2. Pirates stole things like soap and weapons as well as gold and silver. True or false?

true

false

3. All pirates used treasure maps. True or false?

true

false

4. What did pirates think that whistling on a ship would do?

Pirates thought that whistling on a ship would

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5. Complete the sentence:

Pirates still exist today in places

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