

Pirates

Year Two Key Knowledge Organiser

ARRR, DID YOU KNOW?

- Blackbeard was the most feared pirate of all. -
- Not every pirate ship used a Jolly Roger flag. -
- There were women pirates, too.
- Grog was the pirate's drink.
- Pirates wore eye patches.
- They didn't really make people walk the plank.
- Each pirate ship had its own set of rules and code.



Who were the pirates? Daring figures who swooped on treasure ships and returned home with golden cargoes? Brutal sea-thieves who showed no mercy to their victims? Bold adventurers who paid for travel by theft at sea? In fact pirates were all these things and more. For centuries, pirates have sailed across the seas and oceans of the world. Some groups of pirates have been called by different names, such as corsairs, and most have terrorized certain areas, such as the pirates of the Caribbean.

Key Vocabulary

Sea shanty - song sung at sea

Corsairs - pirates who roamed the Mediterranean Sea between the 12^{th} and 17^{th} century

Fleet - group of ships

Spanish Main – in the 1500s privateers had royal grants to attack Spanish ships carrying riches

Buccaneers - lawless pirates who attacked ships

The Caribbean – a place in the Americas. Pirates travelled the Caribbean Sea

Cutlass – special kind of sword invented by the buccaneers

Bartholomew Roberts – the most successful pirate (he captured over 400 ships!)





Key Skills

Compose - create music

Perform - present a play/concert

Design - a plan/drawing before something is made

Evaluate - judge/decide how good or important something is

Technical knowledge - really understand our learning and use this

to complete tricky tasks