

19th SEPTEMBER

TALK LIKE A PIRATE

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Pirate Lingo

Ahoy: Hey!

Arrr: Yes, I agree, I'm happy

Avast: Stop.

Aye: Yes.

Bilge Rat: An insult.

Black Spot: to be placin' the black spot, be markin' someone for death, as in Treasure Island.

Booty: Treasure.

Bung Hole: Food on ships were stored in wooden caskets. The stopper in the casket is called the bung, and the hole is called the bung hole.

Buccaneer: A pirate who be answerin' to no man or blasted government.

By the Power!: Exclamation uttered by Long John Silver in Treasure Island.

Cat o'nine tails: Whip for flogging mutineers.

Corsair: A pirate who be makin' his berth in the Med, Medi? That sea tween Spain and Africa. Aye!

Davy Jones Locker: The bottom of the sea where souls of dead men lie.

Doubloons: Pieces of Gold.

Fiddlers Green: The private heaven where pirates be going when they die.

Furner: A ship which be yer own, not one ye steal and plunder.

Gentleman O'fortune: A slightly more positive term for a pirate.

Go on the Account: To embark on a piratical cruise.

Grog: A Pirate's favourite drink.

Hornpipe: Both a single reeded musical instrument sailors often had aboard ship and a spirited dance that sailors do.

Jack: A flag or a sailor.

Jolly Roger: The skull and cross-bones, the pirate flag.

Land Lubber: Land lover, someone not used to life aboard.

Lass: A woman.

Lily-livered: Faint o'heart.

Loaded to the Gunwales: Drunk

Matey: A shipmate or friend.

Me Beauty: A lovely Lady.

Me hearty: A friend or shipmate.

Scallywag: A bad person, a scoundrel.

Scurvy Dog: Another fine insult.

Smartly: Do something quickly.

Shiver me timbers: an exclamation of surprise, to be shouted most loud.

Sweet trade: The career of piracy.

Thar: the opposite of Here.

Wench: A lady, although ye gents not be wantin' to use this around a lady that is stronger than ye.

Yo-ho-ho: Pirate laughter.

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