



## Learning Support

# Blackbeard The Pirate

1. How well did you understand the story? Read the sentences and answer Yes or No.

Long ago, travelling in sailing ships was perfectly safe. \_\_\_\_

Blackbeard was one of the most bloodthirsty pirates. \_\_\_\_

Before battle, he plaited burning fuses in his beard. \_\_\_\_

Keel-hauling was punishment by flogging with a whip. \_\_\_\_

Biscuits were eaten in the dark because they were stale. \_\_\_\_

Lack of fresh fruit and vegetables spread disease. \_\_\_\_

2. Join the words from the story with their meanings.

Jolly Roger

keen

demon

keep

amputated

flag

voyage

grabbed

preserve

trip

eager

devil

seized

cut off



3. The letters "er", "ir" and "ur" can all make the sound "er" as in "her". Can you write these words from the story in the correct column? Choose one word to use in your own sentence.

scurvy    river    burned    fingers    bloodthirsty

er

ir

ur

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4. Write dictionary meanings for these words from the story.

hazardous: \_\_\_\_\_

barnacle: \_\_\_\_\_

blockade: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Here is a picture from the story. Write about what is happening in the picture.



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