

Pirates of the Caribbean – The Curse of the Black Pearl

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While reading

Chapters 1–3

1 Five words are wrong. Find them and make them right.
 Elizabeth Swann was on the *Dauntless*. She thought about home. She started to sing a song: it was a pirate song. Then she saw something in the dark water. It was a boy. He came from a big, black ship. The men on the ship were asleep. Then, it went away in the rain. The boy had a gold coin inside his shirt. Elizabeth took it and quickly put it under her foot.

- 2 Who did it? Choose the right names.**
 Elizabeth Swan Captain Norrington
 Will Turner Jack Sparrow
- a made a fine sword for the governor.
 - b met Will Turner when she was a girl.
 - c was a new commodore so he had a party.
 - d helped Elizabeth when she fell in the water.
 - e hoped to marry Elizabeth.

3 Discuss in pairs and then complete.
 Jack Sparrow was a **a)**..... there was a white **P** on his **b)**..... He had no **c)**..... but he wanted a new **d)**..... He was looking at the **e)**..... in Port Royal. And he was thinking. Yes, he had a **f)**..... He looked at the *Dauntless* and the *Interceptor*: the **g)**..... one was big and strong, but the other was **h)**..... Then he saw a beautiful **i)**..... in the water, so he swam to **j)**..... her.

Chapters 4–6

4 Complete this newspaper story.

PIRATES IN PORT ROYAL

Last night there was a thick fog in Port Royal. Some very bad men came out of a **a)**..... **b)**..... **c)**..... It carried the skull and **d)**..... These pirates had **e)**....., **f)**..... and **g)**..... They started **h)**..... in houses and stores. People were afraid so they ran out into the streets. The pirates went to the **i)**..... house. They took away his **j)**..... with them. He is very sad now.

5 Match A and B

- | A | B |
|---|---|
| 1 Jack Sparrow went into the blacksmith's store | a because the pirates were after her. |
| 2 Norrington was happy | b because a pirate hit him on the head. |
| 3 Will Turner fell to the ground | c because Jack did not get away. |
| 4 Elizabeth went into the small closet | d because she was going to throw the gold medallion into the water. |
| 5 The pirates watched Elizabeth carefully | e because he was running from the sailors. |

Chapters 7–9

6 Are these sentences about Captain Barbossa right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- a He is a pirate.
- b He is a ghost so he can't eat or drink.
- c He likes Jack Sparrow.
- d He is not interested in gold or money.
- e He thinks Elizabeth's real name is Turner.
- f He wants to marry Elizabeth.

7 Write why.

- a Jack Sparrow is happy that Will's name was Turner.

- b Barbossa wants the medallion and Elizabeth's blood.

- c Elizabeth didn't see men. She saw skeletons.

- d Barbossa will give Jack the *Black Pearl*.

8 Put these in the right order. Write the numbers 1–7.

- a On the *Dauntless*, the sailors were afraid of Jack's gun so they got into a small boat and left the ship.
- b Norrington and his sailors went on the *Dauntless*. Only one man stayed on the *Interceptor*.
- c When they left the prison, Jack and Will walked down to the harbor.

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- d Jack threw the sailor into the water. Will and Jack sailed out of the harbor on the *Interceptor*.
- e The *Interceptor* was smaller and faster, so some minutes later, it was near the *Dauntless*.
- f Norrington was on the *Interceptor*. He saw Will and Jack on the *Dauntless*. He was angry and wanted to catch them.
- g They swam to the *Dauntless* and climbed up the side. They had a gun.

- c threw a sword from the floor to Will.
- d went back to the island to help Will.
- e came back for him.

Chapters 10–12

9 Who is talking? Who are they talking to?

- a “The girl’s blood didn’t work.” to
- b “This is yours.” to
- c “They have to have *my* blood.” to
- d “Elizabeth goes free.” to
- e “How can we get away?” to

10 Five words are wrong. Find them and make them right.

Barbossa took Elizabeth’s foot and cut it. Then he put the coin on it. The pirates were happy because the curse ended. This happened because Elizabeth was Turner’s child.

Chapters 13–15

11 Check (✓) the things they wanted.

- Norrington wanted ...
- a to put Jack in chains.
 - b to go back to *Isla de Muerta*.
- Elizabeth wanted ...
- c to marry Norrington.
 - d to go back to *Isla de Muerta*.
- The governor wanted ...
- e his daughter to take home.

12 Who did it? Complete the sentences with the right words.

- Jack Jack’s sailors Norrington’s men
Elizabeth Barbossa
- a put a knife to Will’s head.
 - b waited for Barbossa’s pirates in their small boats.

13 Put these in the right order. Write the numbers 1–10.

- a Jack shot Barbossa.
- b On the *Dauntless* the skeletons changed into men. Norrington’s men fought them easily.
- c Jack and Barbossa fought. Barbossa pushed his sword into Jack, but he didn’t kill him. Jack was also a skeleton.
- d Elizabeth jumped out of the *Dauntless* and swam to the *Black Pearl*, but the sailors didn’t help her.
- e Norrington wanted to take Elizabeth back to Port Royal.
- f Barbossa put a knife to Will’s head. Then Jack appeared.
- g When Jack left the cave, the *Black Pearl* wasn’t there.
- h After that, Will put the medallion in the box with his bloody hand. Barbossa fell down, dead.
- i Barbossa’s sailors attacked the *Dauntless*.
- j But Elizabeth wanted to help Will. He was on the *Isla de Muerta* with the pirates.

After reading the book

14 Work in pairs. Ask and answer the following questions about the story.

- a Did you like the story? Why/Why not?
- b Which person in the story did you like most? Why?
- c Do you like stories about pirates? Why/Why not?

15 Make a list.

Write ten important events in the story of *The Pirates of the Caribbean*.

16 What next?

Go on with the story. Did Norrington catch Jack Sparrow and his sailors? Where did Jack go to escape from prison?

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1 Important names in the story. Match A and B.

- | A | B |
|--------------------------|--|
| 1 The <i>Black Pearl</i> | a was a big, black pirate ship. It had a curse. |
| 2 Jack Sparrow | b was an English ship. It sailed to Port Royal. |
| 3 The <i>Dauntless</i> | c was a beautiful girl. She had a gold medallion with a skull on it. |
| 4 Will Turner | d was a pirate. He wanted to get a new, bigger ship. |
| 5 Elizabeth Swann | e was a blacksmith. He made the swords for the new commodore. |

2 Five things are wrong. Find them and make them right.

Jack got away from the pirates and was free. But he had the chains on his feet. He went into Will's store to cut them. When Will heard the noise, he took a sword and fought the pirate. Jack and Will were not quick. After a few minutes, Mr. Brown, the blacksmith, came in and hit Jack on the head with a gun. Jack fell on the ground.

3 Are these sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)? Change the wrong sentences.

- a Jack Sparrow can help Will because he knows about the *Black Pearl*.
- b Captain Barbossa can't eat dinner because he is not hungry.
- c Elizabeth says her name is Turner because she would like to become Will's wife.
- d Captain Barbossa is happy because he has the gold medallion. Now he can buy a faster ship.
- e Captain Barbossa thinks Elizabeth is the daughter of a pirate.

4 Choose the correct ending.

- a Will and Jack went into the bigger cave. They found ...
 - 1 some lights and boxes with money.
 - 2 gold cups, plates, and swords and a lot of money.
 - 3 a lot of money and gold boxes, cups, plates, and swords.

- b When Captain Barbossa put the medallion on Elizabeth's hand ...
 - 1 the curse ended and Barbossa's pirates felt different.
 - 2 the curse did not end because she was not a Turner.
 - 3 it did not work because the curse started with blood.
- c Barbossa let Elizabeth go free, and ...
 - 1 the girl and Jack swam to the island.
 - 2 the girl and Will swam to the island.
 - 3 a boat took her back home.
- d When the *Black Pearl* was near the *Interceptor*, ...
 - 1 the *Interceptor* moved faster.
 - 2 Gibbs's men threw everything into the water.
 - 3 the *Interceptor* moved more slowly.
- e Elizabeth made a fire to ...
 - 1 make a lot of smoke.
 - 2 wake Jack up.
 - 3 help those who were looking for her.

5 Answer these questions.

- a Why does Elizabeth promise to marry Mr. Norrington?
.....
- b What is the *Dauntless* waiting for near the Isla de Muerta?
.....
- c Why couldn't Barbossa kill Jack Sparrow?
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- d What happened to Barbossa when Will's bloody hand put the medallion in the box?
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- e Who helped Jack Sparrow escape?
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