

STORYBOARD by Adrian Beckingham, aka The Man from Story Mountain.

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THIS STORYBOARD IS TAKEN FROM THE CHILDREN'S NOVEL 'THE DIAMOND SHIP' BY ADRIAN BECKINGHAM published by Mogzilla Books and available in their online store.

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WHAT IS A STORYBOARD?

All types of stories can begin with a storyboard. It is a way to sketch out your story ideas, or find new ones. Storyboards can help you to make your own story to write down or even tell aloud. From theatre shows to books and movies, many stories began as storyboards.

Some stories are true, others are make-believe.

The story we are sharing today is a true story. Not just any true story. A true story about pirates. And not just any pirates either – but the pirates who found the richest treasure ever, and kept their tale secret for nearly 300 years!

You can use the Storyboard below to create your own pirate story. Make sure you use your answers to make a story and send in to us at Mogzilla. We love reading them and will even read some out the next week online during our live session!

THE DIAMOND SHIP

It can be fun to make up your very own names for the pirates in your crew, especially the captain! But can you tell me which one of these pirate captains really existed (all the rest are make-believe)

CAPTAIN HOOK / LONG JOHN SILVER / CAPTAIN EDWARD ENGLAND / CAPTAIN JACK SPARROW

Which of these pirate captains would you like to put in your story? Or do you have another name? If you have another name, what is it?

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Many pirates used to be ordinary sailors, who joined the pirates once their ship was boarded. If you had a crew of angry looking pirates jump on your ship of ordinary sailors, what would you do?

FIGHT THEM / JOIN THEM / TAKE A PHOTO OF THEM ON YOUR MOBILE PHONE / INVITE THEM TO TEA / SHOW THEM THE TREASURE ON YOUR SHIP (IF THERE IS ANY) / SOMETHING ELSE

One day the pirates boarded a ship and found no treasure, but just some people in chains who had been sold as slaves (to work all day and never get paid). What would your pirate crew do with the slaves?

THROW THEM OVERBOARD TO SWIM WITH CROCODILES (OR SINK) / SELL THEM AT MARKET TO MAKE SOME MONEY / KEEP THEM TO DO ALL THE HOMEWORK AND HOUSE CHORES / BREAK THE CHAINS AND SET THEM FREE / SOMETHING ELSE

The pirates find some diamonds and share them out equally amongst themselves. They get 42 diamonds each! But one pirate just gets one diamond – but it is as big as 42 little ones. What does this pirate do with his one enormous stone?

SWAP IT WITH ANOTHER PIRATE SO HE HAS 42 / THROW IT OVERBOARD / GIVES IT TO HIS MUM / NOTHING – A SEAGULL STEALS IT / TRIES TO SMASH IT INTO SMALLER PIECES / SOMETHING ELSE

Now use your answers to make your own story and send it in to Mogzilla. Don't forget to hear the true story live online at 10:30 am (GMT) on Friday 17th July, 2020.