

QUESTIONS

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ANSWERS

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To debunk something means to explain the falseness of an idea or belief.

2. In the quote “pirates did circumnavigate the globe” – what do you think circumnavigate the globe means?

It means to sail or travel all the way around the world.

3. What was Blackbeard’s real name?

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4. What is the most surprising fact we learn about Blackbeard the pirate?

He wasn’t very violent and didn’t get involved in the fights on board.

5. Why do you think pirate ships would design their own flag?

A sensible answer such as – to make their ship/crew identifiable/ to give the crew a sense of identity/ make them feel different to other pirate ships and their crews / use symbols that mean something special to them.

6. Why do you think women were not allowed to be pirates?

Women were viewed as inferior and not as strong as men.

7. How would pirates kill their captors?

They would either kill them instantly or by keelhauling.

8. What was grog made of?

They were made of rum, water, lemon juice, and sugar.

9. Why do you think the author has included two 'did you know' boxes?

To make the information stand out / to share some short, snappy facts.

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