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Pirates

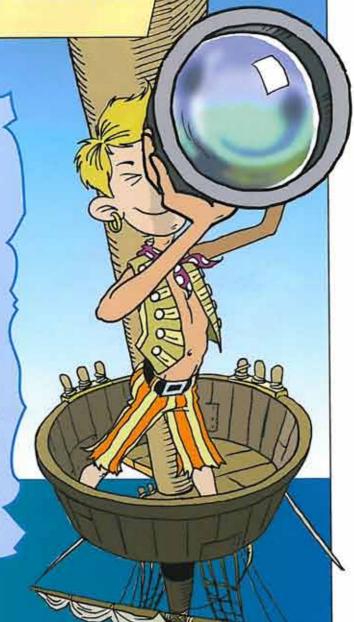
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AD 1700. A ship is sailing home to Spain, full of gold found in the New World. The boy in the crow's nest sees something in his telescope...

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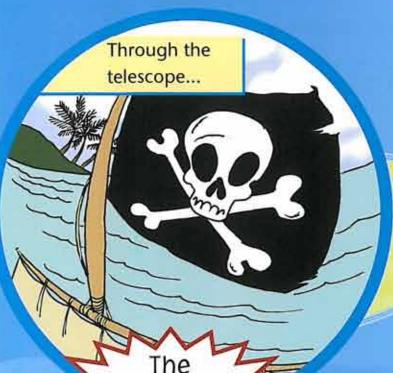
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Pirates Ahoy!



Jolly Roger! PIRATES!



In the past, pirates were robbers who lived on ships and stole from other ships. Sometimes they took the whole ship. Sometimes they stole from seaside towns.





The captain of a ship wrote down when anyone died in the **ship's log** (a book used to write about the ship's voyage). A **skull and crossbones** was drawn by the name of the dead person. Pirates took this symbol to put on their flags.

Crossbones means two bones, made into a cross.



Redbeard's flag



Blackbeard's flag

There were different kinds of Jolly Roger flags. Some had skeletons and some had crossed swords.



Bluebeard's flag

