



Pirate Stories for Grades 4-6

Fiction:

Barry, Dave & Pearson, Ridley. Peter and the Starcatchers. Imagined as a sort of prequel to Barrie's Peter Pan, familiar characters are used in new ways. Peter leads a group of orphan boys against an evil pirate and his crew. Joining them is Molly, an apprentice star catcher of a secret magic society.

Barrie, J.M. Peter Pan. The adventures of Peter Pan, the boy who refused to grow up.

Fleischman, Sid. The Giant Rat of Sumatra, or pirates galore. A twelve-year old cabin boy on a pirate ship finds himself in San Diego in 1846 as war breaks out between the United States and Mexico.

Hart, Lenore. The Treasure of Savage Island. Rafe and Molly share an adventure that involves pirates, spies, and a lost treasure.

Johansen, Krista. Torrie and the Pirate Queen. Torrie, a magical being, goes on a voyage with Anna, the Captain, wishing to rescue her father from the Pirate Queen and reclaim treasure. A young castaway, who turns out to be the queen's son, accompany them on their adventures.

Lawlor, Laurie. Dead reckoning: a pirate voyage with Captain Drake. Emmet, a fifteen-year old orphan, learns hard lessons about survival as he sails in 1577 as a servant on board the Golden Hind with Sir Francis Drake on his three year voyage around the world.

Lawrence, Caroline. The pirates of Pompeii. The Roman Mysteries, Book #3. At a refugee camp near buried Pompeii, Flavia and her friends discover that children are disappearing. Pirates are involved.

Lawrence, Iain. The Buccaneers. In the 18th century, young John Spencer sails his schooner from England to the Caribbean, where he encounters pirates, fierce storms, and a man who may be cursed.

Mahy, Margaret. The Pirates Mixed-Up Voyage. Captain Wafer and his crew set sail for the Thousand Islands with a plan to kidnap a famous inventor.

Meyer, Kai. Pirate Curse. In an alternative 18th century Caribbean, two teen humans who can walk on water rely on pirates to help them escape a pursuing evil.

Montgomery, Hugh. The Voyage of the Artic Tern. A fisherman betrays his village for jewels, a group of Englishmen foils a Spanish pirate, and a lost soul seeks a treasure chest.

Moore, Robin. The Man with the Silver Oar. Daniel is a stowaway on a ship in pursuit of a pirate captain bent on raiding the coast of North America.

Nix, Garth. Drowned Wednesday. Keys to the Kingdom, book #3, Arthur Penhaligon are pursued by strange pirates, shadowy creatures, and a monstrous, gluttonous whale.

Oppel, Kenneth. Airborn. Matt, a young cabin boy aboard an airship, and Kate, a wealthy young traveler, team up in a search for some mysterious winged creatures in an alternative world.

Oppel, Kenneth. Skybreaker. Matt and Kate team up with a gypsy and a Captain to find a long-lost airship with treasure inside.

Platt, Richard. Pirate Diary: the journal of Jake Carpenter. A fictional diary of a ten-year old boy, who sets off from 18th century North Carolina to become a sailor, but becomes a pirate instead.

Shalant, Phyllis. When Pirates came to Brooklyn. Ten-year old Lee Bloom in Brooklyn makes a new friend in her neighbor with a vivid imagination.

Stevenson, Robert L. Treasure Island. While going through the possessions of a deceased guest who owes them money, the mistress of the inn and her son find a treasure map that leads to a pirate fortune as well as great danger.

Stewart, Paul & Riddell, Chris. The Last of the Sky Pirates. The Edge Chronicles #5, Rook Barkwater joins the Sky Pirates and learns more about his own past.

Torrey, Michelle. Voyage of Plunder. Fourteen –year old Daniel is taken as a hostage when his father’s ship is sacked by pirates in the early 1700’s.

Twain, Mark. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer. The adventures and pranks of a mischievous boy growing up in a Mississippi river town in the early 19th century.

Yolen, Jane. The Ballad of the Pirate Queens. Two women who sailed with Jack Rackham and his pirates in the 1700’s defend their ship.

Fairy & folktales (398.2):

Walker, Richard. The Barefoot Book of Pirates. A collection of folktales involving pirates from around the world.

Non-fiction (j* 910.4):

Hibbert, Clare. Real Pirates: over 20 true stories of seafaring skullduggery. A collection of true pirate tales from various locations, revealing the pirate's tools, ships, and special talents.

Lichtenheld, Tom. Everything I Know About Pirates: a collection of made-up facts, educated guesses, and silly pictures about bad guys on the High Seas.

Lincoln, Margaret. The Pirate's Handbook. A history of piracy; covering clothing, behavior, flags, ships, and treasure. Crafts and activities are included.

Matthews, John. Pirates. A collection of pirate facts, legends, and illustrations.

Osborne, Will & Osborne, M.P. Pirates. The non-fiction companion to series book Pirates Past Noon, written by Mary Pope Osborne.

Robbins, Deri. The Great Pirate Activity Book. Activities include decorating a room into a Captain's cabin, making a treasure chest, sending messages in code, pirate costumes, model ship, and planning a pirate party.

Ross, Stewart. Pirates: the story of buccaneers, brigands, corsairs, and their piracy on the high seas from the Spanish Main to the China Sea.

Steele, Phillip. Pirates. Discusses when and where pirates lived and what their activities were.

Wright, Rachel. Pirates: facts, things to make, activities. Explores the world of historical and contemporary pirates and includes step-by-step instructions for creating related crafts.

Biographies:

Lewis, J. Patrick. Blackbeard the Pirate King. History, adventure, geography, and poetry combined with facts known about Edward Teach, known as Blackbeard.

Sharp, Ann. Daring Pirate Women. Profiles pirates throughout history, especially women pirates of Europe, America, and Asia. (920).