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Captain Cook

[Captain James Cook – Ducksters](#)

Child-friendly information about Captain Cook and his adventures, with clear subheadings.

[Captain Cook's First Voyage – Royal Museums Greenwich](#)

Online collections from Captain Cook's voyages of discovery, including paintings, maps and coins.

[Captain Cook – Captain Cook Memorial Museum Whitby](#)

Teacher information about the life and times of Captain Cook.

Famous sea explorers

[Marco Polo – Ducksters](#)

Child-friendly information about Marco Polo and his expeditions.

[Christopher Columbus – BBC](#)

Child-friendly information and images about the life and achievements of Christopher Columbus.

[Sir Francis Drake – Ducksters](#)

Child-friendly information about Sir Francis Drake and his expeditions.

[Walter Raleigh \(c. 1552–1618\) – BBC Primary History](#)

Teacher information about Sir Walter Raleigh.

[Henry Hudson – Ducksters](#)

Child-friendly information about Henry Hudson and his expeditions.

[Ellen MacArthur – BBC Derby](#)

A news report for the teacher that outlines the key events and achievements in Ellen MacArthur's life.

Pirates

[List of 10 Most Famous Pirates in World History – History Lists](#)

Teacher information and illustrations of 10 famous pirates.

[Poems about Famous Pirates – History for Kids](#)

Humorous poems about famous pirates including Nicholas Brown, Black Bart, Captain Morgan and Anne Bonny, with a link to a *Horrible Histories* song about Blackbeard's life.

[Pirates – DKfindout!](#)

Interactive and accessible information about all aspects of pirate life.

[Swashbuckle – CBeebies](#)

A collection of pirate-themed videos, songs and games that you can share with children.

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Pirate flags

[Famous Pirate Flags – Owlcation](#)

Comprehensive information for teachers about the history of pirate flags, how they were used, what symbols were used on them and a range of examples.

[Top 10 Pirate Flags from the Golden Age of Piracy – History Lists](#)

Information and example images of pirate flags for teachers.

Grace Darling

[Site search – Grace Darling – RNLI](#)

This web page contains a series of useful links for teachers.

[Paintings – The Grace Darling Website](#)

Gallery of paintings depicting Grace Darling, her rescue and other significant people in her life.

[Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter – Woodlands Junior Homework Help](#)

Key information about Grace Darling that can be shared with children.

RNLI

[Educational visits – RNLI](#)

Provides information about arranging a visit to a lifeboat station or inviting the RNLI to your school.

[Education resources – RNLI](#)

A range of free educational resources for teachers that focus on water safety, the life-saving work that the RNLI do and the history of the RNLI.

[Our history – RNLI](#)

A wide range of information about the RNLI, including a timeline, archive collections and FAQs.

Sea shanties

[Sea Shanties – Historic UK](#)

Comprehensive information for teachers about sea shanties and why they were sung aboard ships.

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