



PIRATE-SPEAK!

Ahoy Matey! Git yer Pirate-Speak ship-shape with these fine, sea-faring phrases!

What be yer best fittin' 'piratey' name?

(Usually a colorful combination of a unique adjective or noun followed by a given name. Adding an additional descriptor is optional.)

- Lads . . . ☐ Barnacle Bob ☐ Big One-eyed Bart
- Ladies . . . ☐ Southwind Sue ☐ Fancy Mary Jane



Ahoy!
Me 'Piratey' Name be:

(Hello! My name is:)

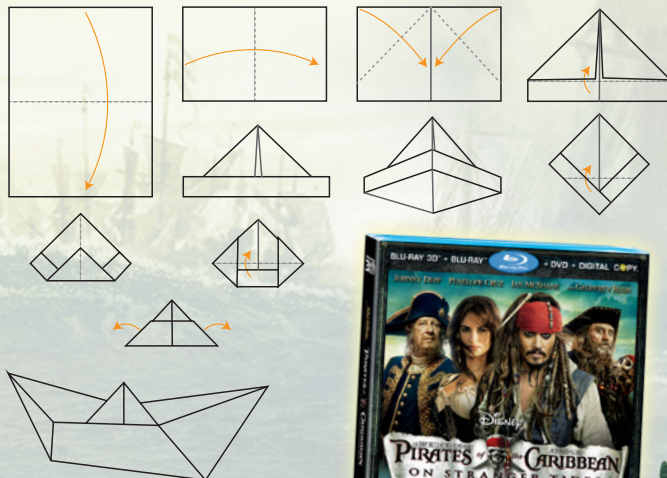
Avast ye, what be yer sort? (Choose what type of pirate you are.)

- Lads . . . ☐ Milquetoast
A meek and timid sort
- ☐ Rogue
A bit of a devilish sort
- ☐ Bangster
Lawless and wild
- Ladies . . . ☐ Maiden
Gentle, tender and somewhat helpless
- ☐ Wench
A saucy, fun and independent lass
- ☐ Virago
Strong, outspoken and a natural leader

A few 'piratey' guidelines:

- ☐ **Ye best livin'-up the festivities smartly!**
(Utilize your pirate lingo to describe mundane events or activities in a spirited 'piratey' manner.)
- ☐ **Use yer pirate-speak midst havenous pirate matters!**
(Make certain all circumstances are appropriate when speaking 'pirate' -- a saucy wench' may not be the most appropriate way to address your boss.)
- ☐ **Revel in yer sweet-trade merriment, matey!**
(Have fun with your pirate-speak!)

Shape yer own sea-farin' vessel – the true test of a worthy seaman.



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CURRENCY:

Blunt – slang for money or coin
Cob or Cob Dollars – gold doubloons
Doubloon – Spanish or Aztec Gold
Pieces of Eight – Silver Spanish coin
Tin – slang for money or coin

FOODS:

Bunny Grub – vegetables
Burgoo – a vile mash of boiled oatmeal with salt, sugar and butter
Cackle-Fruit – eggs
Dogsbody – sea biscuit soaked in water and sugar
Grog – Rum diluted w/ water
Grub
Hardtack – a hard flour & water biscuit
Loblolly – Porridge or gruel
Poor John – salted and dried fish
Rum – a preferred drink of pirates
Salmagundi – a particularly spicy soup
Spirits – hearty beverages
Splice the mainbrace – to have several drinks
Tack
Tooth Rot – sugar

FRIENDS:

Bucko
Mate
Matey
Me Hearties

INSULTS:

Addled – crazy
Bilge Rat
Bilge-sucking – an uncomplimentary adjective
Dog
Land-lubber – land-lover
Lubber – a clumsy man
Poxy, poxed – to be diseased
Scurvy Dog
Shark Bait – lazy
Swab – disrespectful term for a seaman

TREASURE:

Booty
Loot
Swag
Wracking trade – diving for sunken treasure

EXCLAMATIONS:

Blimey – to be surprised
Bouyed up – to be uplifted
Clear the deck – prepare for battle
Land Ahoy – to see land
Me thinks – I believe
Sink me – to be surprised
Aye or Aye, aye, sir! ...or, Arr – yes

PUNISHMENTS:

Bite the Bullet – to stop the screaming from any punishment
Clap in irons – confined to iron manacles
Davy Jones' Locker – a watery grave
Feed the Fish – being thrown into the sea dead or alive
Flogging – a short whip with a cat-o'-nine-tails attached at the end.
Gallows Dance – the dangling feet of a hanged man
Keelhaul – tying wrists & ankles, tossing overboard then dragging under the keel of the ship
Kiss the Gunner's Daughter – to be bent over a ship's guns and flogged
Kiss the Wooden Lady – to be tied up w/ arms 'round the mast.
Maroon – abandoning an offender on a remote island
Rope's End – referencing a hanging – to meet the rope's end
Sweating – being forced to run around the ship until you dropped while crew utilized various sharp objects 'encouraging' you to continue
Walking the Plank – to walk until you drop off the plank

EXPRESSIONS:

"Batten down the hatches" – we're expecting adverse conditions!
"Bum-squabbled" – to be baffled confused or puzzled
"By and large" – for the most part
"Cracking a bottle" – 'Let's open a bottle of wine or rum'
"Dead as bilge water" – rotting dead
"Devil to pay" – seeing no clear way out of a situation
"Eye of the wind" – the direction in which the wind is coming from
"Feeling blue" – a ship without a captain flew a blue flag when returning to port
"Gone by the board" – anything lost over the side of a ship
"Harp up in a clinch and no knife to cut the seizing's" – in a difficult situation
"I have the collywobbles" – to be afraid
"I'll see you measured for chains" – a particularly nasty threat feared by pirates
"In due course" – something will happen when it should happen
"Keep a weather eye open" – keep an eye on where the trouble might come from
"Rattle the bones" – to shake the dice or gambling with cards & dice
"Shake a cloth in the wind" – to be slightly tipsy or drunk
"Shiver me timbers" – to be very surprised
"Sink Me!" – to be very surprised
"Stay the Course" – a nautical term to not vary from the intended destination
"Sweet Trade" – a pirate's profession
"Tell it to the parrot" – to tell everyone, spreading gossip
"Three Sheet To The Wind" – to be drunk
"Yo Ho Ho!" – a very piratey thing to say on any occasion

