

Dear Captain _____,

Following the theft of the famous ruby – the Crimson Beauty – from the fort at Porto Bello, Her Royal Majesty, our glorious Queen Anne, orders you to find the pirate who is guilty of this appalling crime and return the jewel to its rightful owners. You will find details of the five suspects at the bottom of this commission. I understand that Constance, the daughter of the Governor of Trinidad, and Tommy Wilkes, the street urchin, may be able to help you to eliminate all but one of the suspects... Then you will have the guilty criminal.

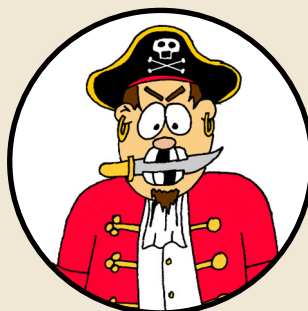
Admiral Horatio Stanley



Name: Redbeard Roberts

Tavern: Rackham's Retreat

Ship: Iron Tankard



Name: Sir William Hawkes

Tavern: The Glowing Brand

Ship: Topgallants



Name: Young Master Will

Tavern: Frobisher's Beard

Ship: Cackle Fruit



Name: Galion Concasseur

Tavern: The Corsair's Folly

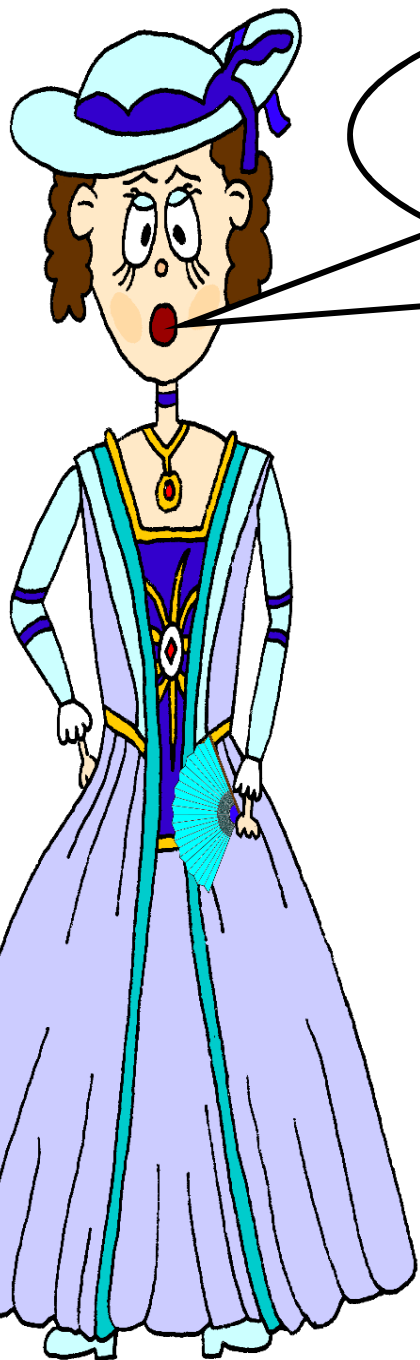
Ship: Hornswaggle



Name: Mistress Rosie

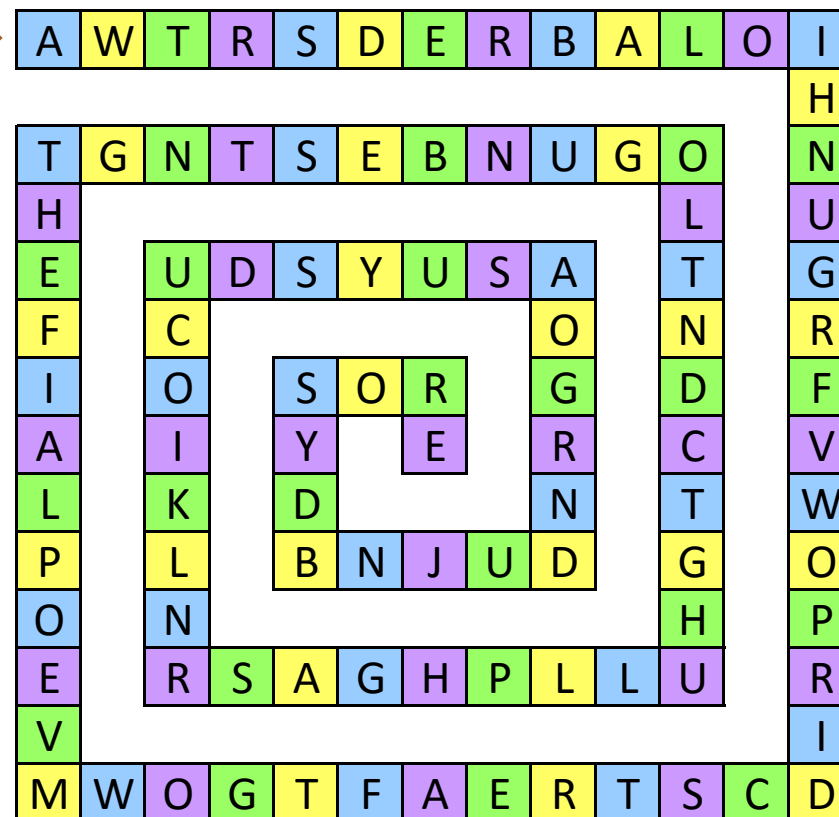
Tavern: Flashing Rapiers

Ship: Pettifogger



My father, the Governor of Trinidad, has asked me to give you this code. Work out the answer to each question. Match it to the correct answer on the sheet. The number in brackets tells you how far to move around the spiral. Write down each letter you land on at the bottom of the sheet. When you have all eleven letters, rearrange them to spell the name of a pirate's ship. This is not the pirate you are looking for... I hope you catch this blackguard quickly Captain - we are all relying on you.

START →



947 - 498 =	449	(10)	459	(4)
584 - 275 =	299	(6)	309	(14)
601 - 386 =	225	(7)	215	(11)
585 - 296 =	289	(2)	299	(9)
665 - 369 =	306	(8)	296	(11)
973 - 487 =	486	(6)	476	(9)
949 - 286 =	663	(8)	673	(6)
741 - 264 =	487	(12)	477	(7)
635 - 387 =	248	(12)	258	(10)
905 - 297 =	598	(12)	608	(10)
521 - 366 =	155	(10)	165	(9)



8	A	B	C
7	D	E	F
6	G	H	I
5	J	K	L
4	M	N	O
3	P	Q	R
2	S	T	U
1	V	W	Y
	A	B	C

Work out the answer to each question and match it to one of the answers next to it. This gives you the code to a letter on the grid. Write that letter down at the bottom of the page. Once you have got them all, rearrange them to spell out the name of one of the local taverns. You can rule out the pirate who has that one as their favourite...

$9.47 - 1.55 = 8.92$ (B7) or 7.92 (A8)
 $66.4 - 49.2 = 17.2$ (C6) or 16.2 (C3)
 $78.7 - 27.8 = 50.9$ (A2) or 51 (A6)
 $8.95 - 3.02 = 5.83$ (B1) or 5.93 (C6)
 $5.67 - 4.41 = 1.26$ (A3) or 1.36 (C2)
 $95.6 - 41.7 = 53.9$ (C5) or 52.9 (B4)
 $5.48 - 4.04 = 1.34$ (A5) or 1.44 (B4)
 $59.4 - 36.5 = 23.9$ (B8) or 22.9 (B6)

$5.57 - 4.21 = 1.36$ (C7) or 1.46 (B4)
 $97.2 - 32.2 = 64$ (C4) or 65 (A2)
 $8.46 - 2.09 = 6.47$ (C2) or 6.37 (C3)
 $8.49 - 3.14 = 5.25$ (B8) or 5.35 (A8)
 $81.7 - 34.3 = 47.4$ (C3) or 47.5 (A7)
 $92.1 - 15.6 = 75.5$ (C3) or 76.5 (A6)
 $6.18 - 4.73 = 1.45$ (B7) or 1.35 (C8)

'Ello Captain! Thanks for the pieces of eight... I've picked up this note but it's in code, innit?! I reckon that if you work out the answer to each question and write the letter that matches it under the answer it might give you some information on one of those nasty pirates. Good luck with your investigations!



$$78.178 - 3.43 = A$$

$$11.1 - 1.28 = C$$

$$5.288 - 3.82 = E$$

$$77.7 - 11.1 = F$$

$$66.6 - 3.327 = G$$

$$7.353 - 1.26 = I$$

$$77.033 - 6.64 = N$$

$$54.6 - 49.14 = O$$

$$42.6 - 5.413 = R$$

$$47.5 - 7.928 = S$$

$$6.494 - 1.72 = T$$

$$58.4 - 50.89 = U$$

9.82	37.187	5.46	39.572	39.572		5.46	66.6	66.6	
74.748	70.393			5.46	66.6		4.774		1.468
		Y						H	
39.572	7.51	39.572		1.468	9.82	4.774	39.572		
			P						
4.774		74.748	4.774		6.093	39.572			
	H								
9.82	74.748	37.187	37.187		6.093	70.393	63.273		74.748
				Y					
	70.393	6.093	66.6	1.468		63.273	7.51		
K								V	