

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Reading comprehension - Pirates II (How to use a Glossary)

Read the text and complete the questions below.

Warm up

1. In which type of book would you find a glossary? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Whereabouts in a book would you find a glossary? \_\_\_\_\_  
On what page would you find *this* glossary? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How are the words in a glossary organised? \_\_\_\_\_

Essential Vocabulary

4. Find the word 'becalmed'. There is another word hidden inside this word. What is it?  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Draw a becalmed sea below:
6. Why was this bad for a pirate? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Find the word 'unravelling'. Do you think this is a positive or a negative word?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Why? \_\_\_\_\_
8. If you had to unravel some string, how would you do it? Show someone at home.
9. Why would a 'waggoner' be useful to a pirate? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Is this a modern or old-fashioned word? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Why do you think we no longer use this word? \_\_\_\_\_

**Main Questions**

12. What was the name of a pirate who attacked Spanish ships in the 1600s?

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13. What material was a doubloon made from? \_\_\_\_\_

14. What happened to a pirate if he got scurvy? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ How could pirates stop themselves  
from getting scurvy? \_\_\_\_\_

15. From where could criminals be hanged? \_\_\_\_\_

Where might their dead bodies be displayed? \_\_\_\_\_

16. Draw a Cat o' nine tails below. What was this used for? \_\_\_\_\_

17. After reading the glossary, do you think pirate life was easy or difficult, peaceful  
or violent? \_\_\_\_\_

What clues on the page suggest this? Make a list:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Reflection**

18. Write a definition of what a glossary is below:

**Glossary** - \_\_\_\_\_

19. Why do you think glossaries appear at the back of the book? \_\_\_\_\_

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20. What helped you to find the word or phrase you were looking for more quickly? List  
two things.