



## STORIES FROM THE SEA

## PIRATE OBJECTS



### DRAGUT REIS

THE FAMOUS BARBARY CORSAIR, PREPARES TO BOARD AN ENEMY VESSEL IN SEARCH OF LOOT

#### Date made

Early 19th century

#### Object ref.

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#### Credit

National Maritime Museum

#### Description

The Barbary (or Ottoman) corsairs – often called ‘Barbary pirates’ – were based in North Africa. This area was known in Europe as the Barbary Coast, from the Berber people who lived there. They attacked and looted European ships, mainly in the western Mediterranean Sea.

#### Questions

1. Can you describe what Dragut Reis is wearing?
2. What weapons is Dragut Reis carrying with him?
3. Why do you think he has these?
4. What is happening in the picture?
5. What do you think is going to happen next?