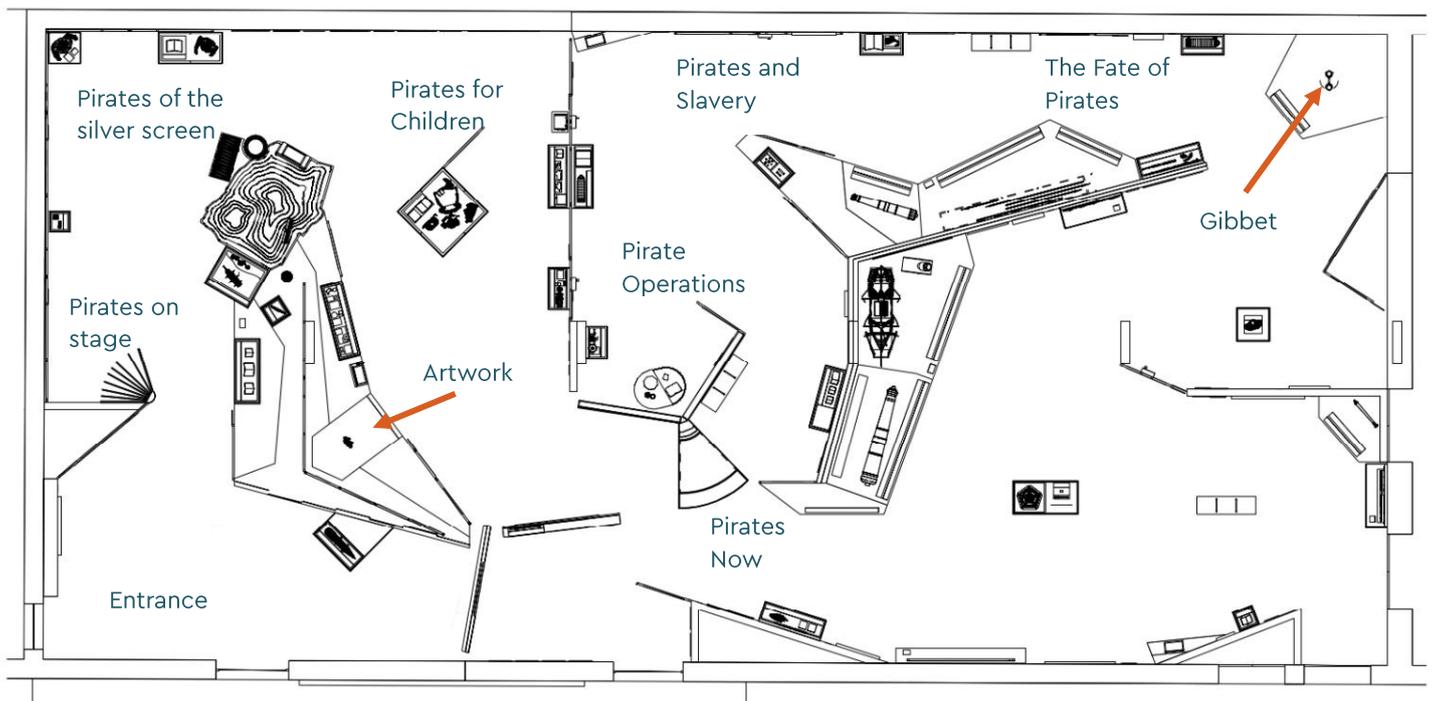


Pirate Exhibition Guidance for Teachers and Educators 2025

Thank you for your interest in coming to the Pirates Exhibition at The National Maritime Museum with your learners.

This exhibition is recommended for ages 7+, although younger children are welcome to visit. This document outlines some of the areas of the exhibition that you and your learners might find challenging. This is to help you make an informed decision about coming and to help you navigate the exhibition.

The list below is subjective and we recognise that every learner and class are different. It is therefore our strong recommendation that **teachers visit this exhibition in advance** to assess its suitability for their learners, particularly at Primary level. Please contact our Bookings Team to arrange a complimentary ticket on Bookings@rmg.co.uk or 020 8312 6608.



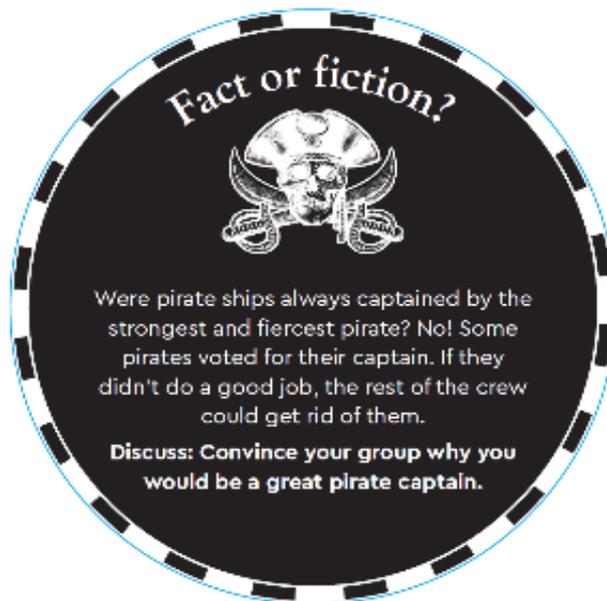
The Pirates Exhibition – things to be aware of

1. 'Pirates' is designed for adults and is therefore a quite dark and serious space
2. The exhibition features real stories of historic and contemporary pirates. These include stories of violence, death and beheading
3. There are many different weapons in the exhibition
4. The section 'Pirates and slavery' includes reference to the brutal treatment of enslaved people.
5. The section 'The Fate of Pirates' includes an engraving of a pirate being hanged. It can be viewed here: ['A Pirate hanged at Execution Dock' | Royal Museums Greenwich](#)
6. In the section 'Pirate Operations', there is mention of a pirate's head being cut off, but no image

7. In the section 'Pirates Now' there is an AK47, but no images or descriptions of violence
8. There is a replica gibbet in the exhibition
9. There is an artwork in the exhibition which includes a headless torso on a metal skirt with embroidered tattoos

The Pirates Exhibition – things of potential interest to young people

1. There is a short trail including interesting facts and activities throughout the exhibition. This is designed for KS2. An example is below:



2. There are a set of 'talk like a pirate' words to find:

Talk like a pirate

Ahoy!: a call to get attention

Aye: yes

Aye, aye: order understood



3. There are sections on 'Pirates for Children', 'Pirates of the Silver Screen' and 'Pirates on Stage'
4. There are many outfits, posters and ship models in the exhibition