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**Instructions:** Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. What was the author's main purpose for writing *Blackbeard the Pirate*?
  - Ⓐ to entertain
  - Ⓑ to inform
  - Ⓒ to persuade
2. Blackbeard's ship got stuck in the sand. What did he do next to solve his problem?
  - Ⓐ He put all his treasure onto other ships.
  - Ⓑ He dug his ship out of the sand.
  - Ⓒ He hid all his treasure under the sand.
3. Which sentence tells an opinion?
  - Ⓐ Blackbeard was a very mean man.
  - Ⓑ Blackbeard was a famous pirate.
  - Ⓓ Blackbeard's flag had a skeleton on it.
4. What happened after Blackbeard's life was quiet for a few months?
  - Ⓐ He stopped being a pirate.
  - Ⓑ He learned how to sail.
  - Ⓒ He robbed ships again.
5. Blackbeard was a famous **pirate**. A **pirate** is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ something that is very special or valuable
  - Ⓑ all the bones in the body of a person
  - Ⓒ a person who attacks and robs ships at sea
6. **Extended Response:** List five facts about Blackbeard the pirate.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Blackbeard the Pirate

Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Purpose

1. Ⓑ Author's Purpose
2. Ⓐ Sequence Events
3. Ⓐ Fact or Opinion
4. Ⓒ Sequence Events
5. Ⓒ Vocabulary
6. Answers will vary but should include five facts from the book, such as the following: *he lived 300 years ago; he was a real pirate; he was a very big man with a thick, black beard; his flag had a skeleton on it; he had four good ships; he robbed treasure from other ships; and so on.*