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

1. Which pirate ships were developed first?
  - Ⓐ galleys
  - Ⓑ junks
  - Ⓒ sloops
  - Ⓓ longboats
2. What advantage did a galley ship have over a cargo ship?
  - Ⓐ It was much faster.
  - Ⓑ It was easier to steer.
  - Ⓒ It could escape to shallow waters.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
3. Read the example sentence: *The **bow** of the ship was damaged.* Which of the following sentences uses the same meaning for **bow** as the example sentence?
  - Ⓐ The passengers stood in the **bow** as the ship left the harbor.
  - Ⓑ The new parents tied a big pink **bow** on their door after they had a baby girl.
  - Ⓒ The ship's band took a **bow** when they finished playing.
  - Ⓓ The hunter shot his **bow** and missed the deer.
4. Which of the following is likely the reason why the author wrote this book about pirates?
  - Ⓐ to make you afraid of pirates
  - Ⓑ to persuade you to build a pirate ship
  - Ⓒ to convince you that it is okay to be a pirate
  - Ⓓ to inform you about the history of pirates

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5. Which statement is an opinion?
  - Ⓐ Pirates were very bad people.
  - Ⓑ Pirates used flags to send messages.
  - Ⓒ Pirates were robbers.
  - Ⓓ Pirates used many different kinds of ships.
6. What did pirates do to tell crews of other ships to surrender?
  - Ⓐ They flew a red flag.
  - Ⓑ They flew the Jolly Roger.
  - Ⓒ They flew the Blackbeard.
  - Ⓓ They flew the hourglass flag.
7. What is the main idea of the book?
  - Ⓐ Different pirate flags had different meanings.
  - Ⓑ Pirates had very few kinds of food to eat when they were at sea.
  - Ⓒ Pirates did dirty deeds.
  - Ⓓ Pirates from different places and times used different kinds of ships and flags.
8. What was considered the Golden Age of piracy?
  - Ⓐ 1700s
  - Ⓑ 1800s
  - Ⓒ 100 BC
  - Ⓓ none of the above
9. Which of the following was a large ship used by Chinese pirates?
  - Ⓐ a corsair
  - Ⓑ a junk
  - Ⓒ a galley
  - Ⓓ a longboat
10. How were Viking ships different from Roman ships?
  - Ⓐ Viking ships had sharp battering rams attached to the bow.
  - Ⓑ Viking ships were shallow.
  - Ⓒ Viking ships often had a prow decorated with a dragon's head.
  - Ⓓ None of the above

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**11. Extended Response:** List at least three reasons why pirate ships were shallow.

**12. Extended Response:** Why might someone say that the life of a pirate is not a good choice?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Pirate Ships and Flags

Main Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast

1. Ⓐ Sequence Events
2. Ⓓ Compare and Contrast
3. Ⓐ Vocabulary
4. Ⓓ Author's Purpose
5. Ⓐ Fact or Opinion
6. Ⓑ Cause and Effect
7. Ⓓ Main Idea and Details
8. Ⓐ Sequence Events
9. Ⓑ Main Idea and Details
10. Ⓒ Compare and Contrast
11. Answers will vary somewhat but should include the following ideas: *these ships could land almost anywhere, go up rivers, sneak up to attack villages, escape to shallow waters, and were easier to steer.*
12. Answers will vary but would likely include the following ideas: *stealing, tricking, enslaving, and hurting people is wrong and harmful to the world.*