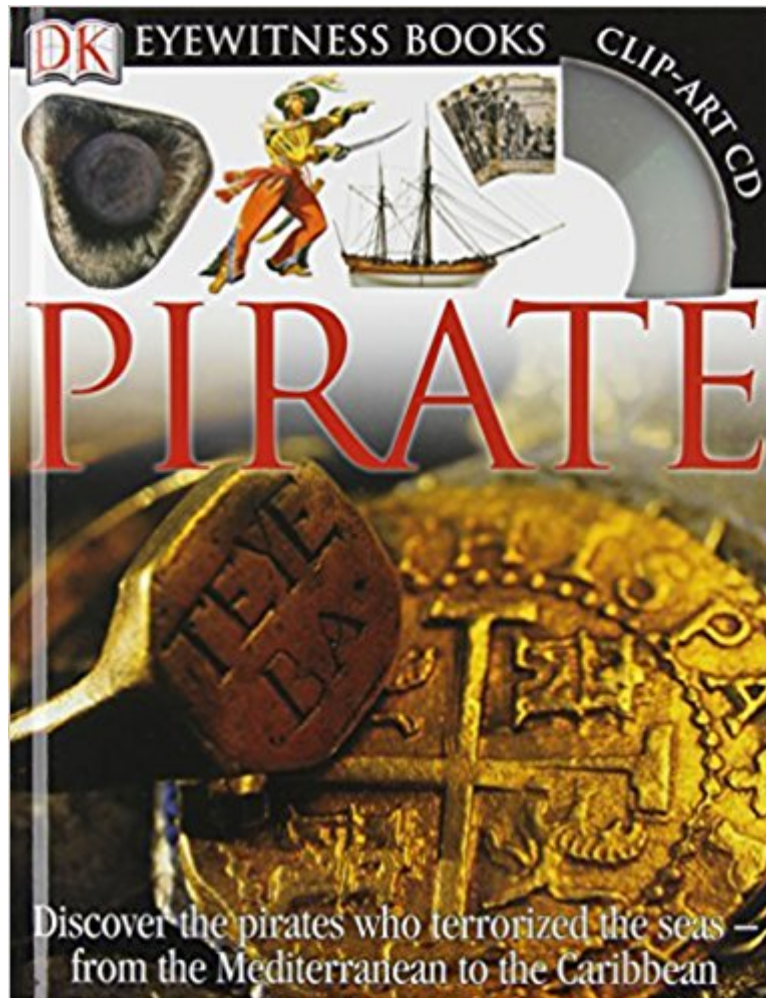




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## Pirate (DK Eyewitness Books)



## Synopsis

Take a close-up look at the colorful--and cruel--robbers of the sea. Learn who devised the terrifying Jolly Roger, how a surprisingly disciplined life was maintained aboard pirate ships, and what cunning ruses pirates used to lure merchants to their doom.Ã  Ã  Ã  Ã 

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Grade 5-8?While stunning, full-color photographs and illustrations continue to be the hallmark of this series, one shouldn't overlook the accompanying texts. Platt looks at the subject of piracy from the time of ancient Greece to the 19th century in double-page topic treatments. Readers are introduced to privateers, buccaneers, and corsairs, and told how they differ. Illustrations of various types of pirate ships, and the merchant vessels that were most often their targets, are particularly effective. Unfortunately, maps are few and far between and those included are too small and poorly labeled to be of much use. Building contains all of the virtues of other "Eyewitness" books, but is hampered by trying to cover too much territory. The history of building techniques, materials, and philosophy from earth-and-thatch houses to cathedrals and skyscrapers is crammed into the 64-page format. Some of the technical terms introduced, e.g., "plinth," are not adequately explained, and there is no glossary. Despite their drawbacks, both books are suitable additions to libraries.?David N. Pauli,

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...a mini museum between the covers of a book. [Eyewitness series] -- The New York Times  
These books' striking visual impact will draw in even the most casual readers. [Eyewitness series] --  
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This is a great introduction to pirates! Fantastic. I bought my copy used (an old beat up library copy, but who cares) and I read it cover to cover the first hour or so I had it. I live near a river where Captain Kidd is supposed to have hung out, and have always had a fascination with pirates. While written for kids, this book provides an excellent starting source for adults as well, defining terms and illustration all sorts of things from ship parts to weapons to treasure maps. I'm working on a fictional book and needed some quick references and this book is ideal. You simply cannot beat DK for producing useful, fun and beautifully designed books. I would imagine boys would flip over this book.

My pirate/man of war infatuated 5.5 year old son LOVES this book! He is more interested in the ships and since I couldn't find a decent book I thought this would do. It is his top requested book for bedtime. Very educational. I'm learning a lot too!

Thank you.Highly Recommend.

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Excellent reference books!! I love this publisher! They come up with the most interesting layouts and presentations of informational text relating to specific topics. However, as a 5th grade teacher and a mom of an advanced reader, I see kids just looking at the pictures again and again saying, "Hey! What's that?" (pointing to a photo in the beautiful book) and not reading the caption. Most of these books are dense with vocabulary (I love that) and small font on captions, which make them hard for children to actually read independently.Love DK...nice stuff

Great for adults and kids

My grandson loves it - he's 10. I like it too, I learned things! Doesn't glorify pirates, but isn't too gory. Talks about the seagoing culture and ships, shipwrecks, etc.

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