

National "Talk Like A Pirate" Day - September 19th

General Talkin' Rules

Shorten most words especially those ending in "ing" - drop the g sound
Traveling = Travelin' • Talking = Talkin' • Going = Goin'

Me and Be are used a lot ----- My = Me • Is = Be
My Ship Is Loaded Down With Treasure. = Me Ship Be Loaded Down With Booty.
My Ship Is The Best. = Me Ship Be The Best.

Am = Be • I Am Looking For Blackbeard. = I Be Lookin' For Blackbeard.

Are = Be • We Are Wanting Some Food = We Be Wantin' Some Grub.

Beginners Pirate Talkin'

Ahoy = Hey! used to get someone's attention

Am = Be

Are = Be

Arrr! Argh! Arrgh! Harr! Rrrr! = Can be used anytime for fun

Avast = "What's up?"

Avast, Me Hearty? = What's up my friend?

Aye = Yes - use this one often, it's always a good answer to a question

Booty = Treasure

Bucko = A friend

Galley = Kitchen

Gangway! = Clear the way

Grog = A pirate's favorite drink.

Grub = food

Is = Be

Lad = Young man

Lass = Young woman.

Matey = A shipmate or a friend.

Me Hearty = a friend or shipmate.

My = Me

Plunder = Treasure stolen from others

Thar = The opposite of "here." Same as "there."

Walk the plank = Punishment for traitors - Walk off plank into the sea.

Ye = You

Your - Yer

Yo-ho-ho = Pirate laughter - Completely meaningless, but fun to say.

Advanced Pirate Talkin'

Buccaneer = A pirate who be answerin' to no man

Davy Jones' Locker = At the bottom o' the sea

He's gone to Davy Jones's locker = He is dead.

Dead men tell no tales = the reason pirates leave no survivors

Doubloons = pieces of gold

Hang the jib = To look annoyed. To pout.

Hankerin' = Wanting - I be hankerin' for some Grog.

Jolly Roger = Black flag with skull and crossbones, the pirate flag!

Landlubber = "Land-lover," someone not used to life onboard a ship.

Lily-livered = faint o' heart, easily scared

Pieces o' eight = pieces o' silver which can be cut into eights to be givin' small change.

Pillage = Take something that doesn't belong to you. Pirates do this a lot.

Scallywag = A bad person. A scoundrel.

Seadog = Experienced sailor

Shiver me timbers! = an exclamation of surprise, usually shouted loudly.

Swab the deck = Wash the floor

Swashbucklin' = fightin' and carousin' on the high seas!

Worth your salt = Being good at something