

Reading

Treasure Island

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Years 5 & 6



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Unit/Lesson focus: the aim of this unit of learning is to read and understand the book 'Treasure Island' (ISBN: 978-1-407143-63-7). If you are reading the same version as I have, then this is a classical text which means that the vocabulary choices within it will be more complex. (Please note, if you are using a more modernised version, then you will have some variances in the vocabulary used within the book but the gist of the story will be the same.)

We will be continuing to develop our VIPERS and reading fluency skills as we make our way through the chapters.

Unit Learning Objectives:

L.O.: To understand the vocabulary in a text

L.O.: To read with fluency and expression

L.O.: To answer retrieval questions based on my reading

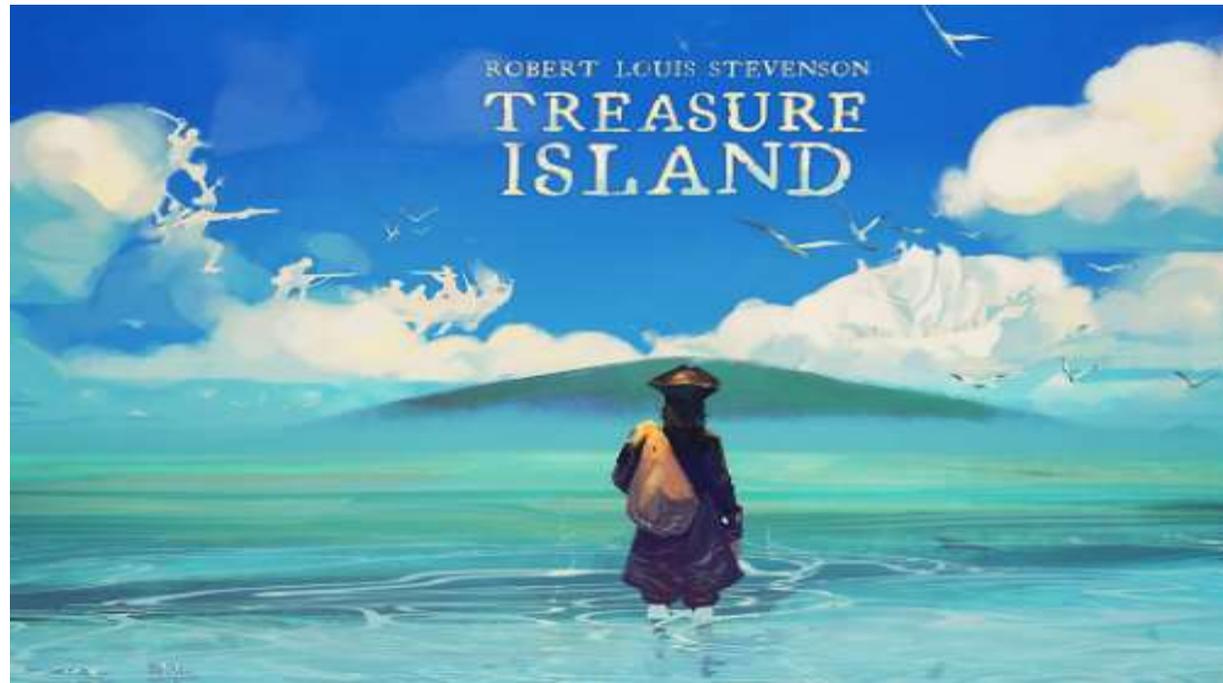
L.O.: To answer inference and explanation questions based on my reading

L.O.: To sequence information based on my reading



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This week we will be focussing on reading chapters 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.



Lesson 9

L.O.: To inference and explanation questions based on my reading

I can answer inference and explanation questions based on a text I have read.

I can also explain my answers further.

I can even provide reasoned justifications for my views, using evidence from the text (PEE).



Tasks 1 & 2: *reading to show fluency, expression and meaning*

Reread chapters 10 and 11 in your head to help your reading fluency.

Reread chapter 12 out loud to yourself (or a partner if possible). *In this read, use your voice (and the punctuation cues) to show the meaning of the text in the way that you read it aloud.*



Task 3: *explanation questions – write your answers in your book*

Reread the text and answer these questions. Remember these types of questions are usually scored two marks per question. This means your answers should be more developed. You would usually include the word 'because' to explain your answer in more detail in these types of questions but you could use alternative suitable conjunctions too.

(Answers can be found at the end of the presentation.)

- 1) How does Jim spend his time at the Hall while waiting for the squire to send for him and the doctor? (Chapter 7)
- 2) Is the Captain too strict? (Chapter 9)
- 3) Why does Long John Silver say that he votes for death in chapter 11?



Task 3: *inference questions – write your answers in your book*

Reread the text and answer these questions. Remember these types of questions are usually scored three marks per question. This means your answers should be even further developed. We use PEE to help us answer these types of questions in more detail. PEE = Point, Evidence, Explain. (Answers can be found at the end of the presentation.)

- 1) Silver's tavern is named the 'Spyglass'. Why might he have chosen that name?
- 2) What does Captain Smollett disapprove about the squire's treatment of the crew?
- 3) Why does the squire admit to the captain that he was wrong? What was he wrong and the captain right about?



Plenary:

Write three of your own questions based on the text that fit the style of an explanation question.

Ask a partner to tell you what answers they would give to your questions (if possible) or write your own answers if you are working on your own.



Reflection:

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Answers: *explanation questions*

1) How does Jim spend his time at the Hall while waiting for the squire to send for him and the doctor? (Chapter 7) Jim spends his time studying the map of Treasure Island in detail and imagines the savage men and wild animals he'll encounter there. He does this because it will help prepare him for his journey.

2) Is the Captain too strict? (Chapter 9) Answers will vary. You can argue either yes or no but you must support your view using evidence from the book.

3) Why does Long John Silver say that he votes for death in chapter 11? He votes for 'death' because he doesn't want just to maroon the honest men as they might get back to England somehow once he's established himself as a gentleman and they therefore might disclose his past.



Answers: *inference questions*

1) Silver's tavern is named 'The Spyglass'. Why might he have chosen that name? Silver might have chosen the name 'The Spyglass' as spyglasses are used by seafaring men, so "The Spyglass" is an appropriate name for a seaside tavern. The Spyglass is also a hill on Treasure Island so that might be an additional reason for his name choice.

2) What does Captain Smollett disapprove about the squire's treatment of the crew? Smollett disapproves of the Squire's treatment of the crew as he thinks that the squire is too nice to them-giving them "double grog" (rum) and pudding for special occasions, and providing a barrel of apples for the crew. The captain warns, "Spoil the hands, make devils."

3) Why does the squire admit to the captain that he was wrong? What was he wrong and the captain right about? The squire admits that he was wrong as the captain didn't like the voyage from the start, and didn't trust the crew, although he wasn't willing to say that he feared an outright mutiny. His foresight in moving the powder and arms now looks like wisdom. The squire, who thought he would play the role of "admiral," now sees that the captain is the proper leader. He understands that the squire's emphasis on duty and discipline is necessary.

