

# Treasure Island

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Once upon a time, there was a lively boy called Jim Hawkins who looked after his parent's pub after they died at sea. It was hard work but he enjoyed meeting the colourful characters who came in.

One day, as Jim was chatting to his best friend Doctor Libby, an old sailor called Billy Bones burst through the door. He was renting a room above the pub, so Jim and Libby knew him quite well. He said that some pirates had been looking for him, and he was worried that they might have put the 'black spot' on him. That was a pirate curse, which Billy said would mean he was doomed. When he turned round, Jim saw he had a black spot on his back!

Billy realised the pirates had found him. Reaching into a pocket, he drew out a Treasure Map. That's what the pirates were looking for – and Billy decided that since he was doomed anyway, he would give it to Jim. Suddenly the Black Spot seemed to start working and poor Billy staggered off and met a grisly end. In the confusion, Jim and Libby didn't notice a well-dressed sailor come into the pub and sit in the corner.

Jim and Libby were very excited about finding the Treasure, although they weren't sure how to go about finding a boat. The mysterious sailor couldn't help overhearing, and just happened to be in town with her boat and crew at that moment. She'd be happy to take them. They were off on an adventure!

Jim and Libby set sail for the mysterious Skeleton Island, captained by the charismatic Long Jane Silver. The waves grew strong and a storm came upon their vessel, damaging and sinking it. Luckily, they were not far from the island, so they tried to swim to it. Unfortunately, they grew tired before they could reach the shore and sank to the bottom of the sea!

Long Jane Silver's crew were very experienced at being out at sea, so they swam over and saved them, just before they were about to drown.

Jim and Libby recovered and came back to themselves, and Jim was ready to start looking for the treasure. All of a sudden the marooned sailor Ben Gunn appeared.

He instantly recognised Silver and a sword fight ensued between them. Ben declared that Silver left him stranded on the island years ago and in his fury, he wins the fight. He gets out his gun, shoots her and throws her body into the sea!

Not only is she stabbed and shot, she is also poisoned by Ben Gunn, and as she sank into the sea, with no hope of survival, an evil mermaid took her to the seabed to finish her off.

After watching over this commotion, Jim and Libby set back to finding the treasure once again, with Ben Gunn following behind them. But as Ben walked along the shore, Long Jane Silver appeared walking out of the sea! She had become a zombie and to take revenge, she grabbed hold of Ben Gunn and threw him into the water, where he was quickly eaten by the sharks.

On the beach, Zombie Silver tripped over her own foot and fell back into the water. The evil mermaid appeared again and turned Silver into an evil zombie mermaid, keeping her in the sea forever.

Having finally found the treasure, Jim and Libby built a new ship to set off back home. On the journey they met another storm, which sank their ship and sent them all back into the sea. They were attacked by sharks and turned into zombies.

They all had a zombie party at the bottom of the ocean, reunited with the now evil mermaid zombie Silver. They dance away to their favourite song 'Baby Shark', and everyone lived Happily Ever After!