

1 Do you agree with the following statements about the characters in the book?

Circle Yes or No and then explain your answers.

- Robinson wanted to please his parents. Yes / No
- Friday was grateful to Robinson. Yes / No
- Captain Jones was impressed by Robinson's story. Yes / No
- Roberto was a dishonest man. Yes / No

2 Complete the chart with the correct character and the motive for his action.

Robinson

Robinson's father

Captain Jones

Roberto

Friday

He wanted to help Robinson start a new life

He wanted to end the mutiny

So Robinson could earn money

He wanted to tell Robinson that he was afraid he would kill him.

He wanted to be safe in case of an earthquake

Action	Character	Motive
1 He told Robinson to study law.		
2 He built a second home.		
3 He looked at the dead bird, and then pointed at himself.		
4 He promised to take Robinson to England.		
5 He sent his friend £5,000.		

3 Complete the sentences according to the story.

- When Robinson was on the boat with his master's cousin, he threatened to shoot him because
- Robinson killed three birds and put them on the fence, next to the grain, because
- Robinson caught a parrot because
- After seeing human bones left by the cannibals, Robinson didn't go out in his boat, or use his gun because
- Robinson wanted to capture John and William, so the men
- The owner of the ship gave Robinson £200 because

4 Who may say the following sentences?

Robinson Captain Jones Robinson's father Robinson's nephew Friday Roberto

1. "Don't become a sailor."
2. "I'll take care of the plantation."
3. "I can teach you how to make bread."
4. "Don't become a sailor."
5. "Now, I can fight and get my ship back."
6. "Come with me on one more voyage and we can visit your island."

5 Write T (true) or F (false) next to each sentence. Then give evidence based on the story to support your answer.

..... 1. Robinson became discouraged when his friend's father accused him of bringing bad luck to the ship.

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..... 2. Robinson was a strong believer in God.

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..... 3. On the island, Robinson was excited to see a human footprint in the sand.

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..... 4. Friday wanted to eat the dead cannibals on the beach.

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..... 5. Robinson had doubts about leaving the island.

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..... 6. The sailors on Captain Jones' ship started a mutiny.

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6 Number the events in the correct order.

- a. He called the savage Friday and they became good friends.
- b. Robinson and Friday helped Captain Jones regain control of his ship.
- c. Young Robinson sailed to Africa and learned how to be a sailor.
- d. In his 13th year on the island, Robinson discovered human bones and the presence of cannibals.
- e. After 35 years away from England, Robinson started a new life.
- f. On his second voyage to Africa, Robinson was captured by pirates and made a slave.
- g. One day, an English ship arrived at the island because the sailors started a mutiny.
- h. On his third voyage to Africa, Robinson was shipwrecked and left alone on an island.
- i. After 22 years on the island, Robinson saved a man from being killed by cannibals.
- j. Robinson and Friday sailed with the captain to England.

7 Answer the following questions.

1. Why did Robinson lie to his master's cousin about the fish in the area?
2. Who were Robinson's only companions on the island before he met Friday?
3. How did Robinson react when he saw the cannibals for the first time?
4. Why didn't Friday return to his home and family?
5. What was Robinson's plan to capture William and John? Describe it briefly.
6. How was Robinson able to start a new life, without a profession?