

**Instructions:** Study the source of the age of Piracy, then answer the questions which follow

### Pirates and Piracy in The Bahamas

During the late 1600's and early 1700s pirates and Buccaneers roamed the islands of The Bahamas preying upon Spanish galleons loaded with gold from the New Worlds. Behind them they left only ruins, death, and stories of buried treasure. Nassau became a tropical paradise for many famous pirates such as Blackbeard. Pirates used The Bahamas as their main port because of the many small islands, shallow waters, and coves, which made for the perfect hiding places. The waters were too shallow for large man-o-war ships but were perfect for the smaller, faster boats used by pirates

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a) What is meant by the word "Piracy"? \_\_\_\_\_ (1)

b) According to the source list **Two** reasons why Pirates use The Bahamas as their hideout?  
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\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

c) Describe **Three** difference between a pirate and a buccaneer  
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\_\_\_\_\_ (3)

d) "Piracy was beneficial to The Bahamas" Do you agree/disagree with this statement? Explain your answer  
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