

The Pirate Princess

READ ALOUD GUIDE

Themes: Adventure, Princess, Travel, Courage, Love

Book Brief: A princess finds that being a pirate is more fun than getting married.

Author:

Storytime

Illustrator:

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BEFORE READING

The Cover: Ask students to make a prediction about the story based on the cover.

The Pictures: Take a brief picture walk and ask students what they notice.

Prior Knowledge: Ask, “Who are Pirates? Mention some of the pirates you have read about. What do pirates do?”

Vocabulary: Frontload Tier 2 words using the accompanying [Vocabulary Guide](#).

Purpose for Reading: “As we read think about the new ideas Leah thinks of when things do not go as planned.”

DURING READING

Check for understanding and make connections:

- What problems did Leah face in the story? How did she solve them?
- What did Leah and her crew have to do before other ships stopped fighting with them?
- Do you think that Leah learnt how to be a good empress after all her adventures? Explain why you agree or disagree.

AFTER READING

Our Purpose: What do you do when things do not go as planned? Discuss with a partner a time you responded badly when things did not go as planned, what could you have done differently? (Optional Pair share)

Extending Our Thinking: Students can design their own fierce pirate costume. Extend student thinking further by exploring books that highlight minorities in careers such as [Ada Twist, Scientist](#) and [Hidden Figures \(Young Readers' Edition\)](#).

If your students enjoyed this book...

- Encourage them to continue to discuss it and refer to it in other lessons and conversations.
- Let them explore more about the topic by reading other books with similar themes, structure, characters, or content.