

# Captain Vlad and the Mary Rose

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## **Sleeping**

A ship needed sailors looking after her all day and night. Sailors would grab some sleep where they could, on the deck floor. Hammocks were not used on English ships until the end of the 16th Century.



There were two brick ovens in the Hold of the Mary Rose. These would be used to cook for all the crew using the provisions brought aboard at the start of the voyage.



#### **Ballast**

This was gravel and stones that were added or taken away inside the bottom of the ship. It helped make the ship more stable on the water, and balanced heavy equpment such as cannons..

### Hatch the dog

Many ships would have terriers on board that would hunt and control the number of rats. It was a common problem and sailors would be keen to find ways to protect their food.



## Tar and hair

Ships were made out of wood which meant that gaps would sometimes appear and let in water. One of the jobs of the six carpenters was to use hot tar and hair to fill the gaps and stop leaks. This was called caulking.

#### the Hawk

It was common for wealthy people to own hawks and other birds of prey. There was a hawk glove found amongst the objects on the wreck of the Mary Rose.

