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Was Francis Drake really 'the Master Thief of the Unknown World'?
You can use this worksheet to record your answers to the case study question. At the end there is a writing frame which you can fill in to help you decide whether Francis Drake was really a pirate or a hero.
Don't forget to save your work on your computer!
Case Study 1: Voyage of Plunder?
Q1. Do you think the Spaniards are afraid of Drake's men when they first board the ship? Why?
Q2. What happens to the people on board the ship?
Q3. What do Drake and his men find in the church at 5.Iago?

Q4. Do you think Drake was right to raid a church? Can you think of any reasons why Drake would think it was acceptable? (Think back to Henry VIII and his relationship with Rome.)

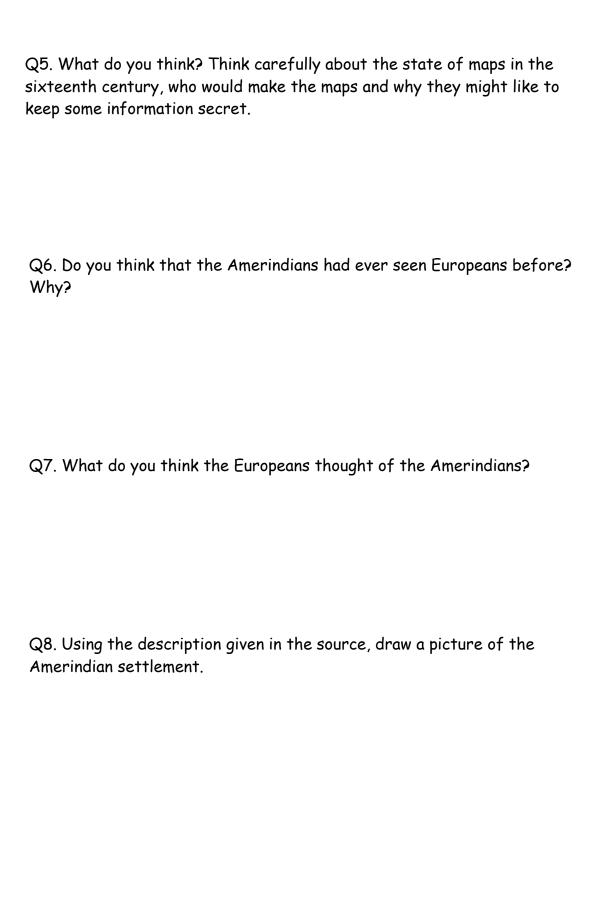
Q5. Use this table to record what Drake and his men captured. The top line has been filled in as an example.

From?	What?	Value? (if given)
The ship in Valparizo	Chilean wine	
harbour	25,000 gold Pezos	37,000 Spanish
		Duckats

Q6. Why do you think the anchor ropes of the ships in Lima harbour were cut?

Q7. Can you think of any reasons why Drake would want to take some rope and tackle from a ship?
Q8. Complete the table for Q5 with what Drake found aboard the
Cacafuego.

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Case Study 2: Voyage of Discovery	•
Q1. Make a list of all the dangers fact when sailing through the Strait of Mo	•
Q2. Did Drake find anything of use what and why would it be useful? [voyage and conditions aboard the ship	Think about the nature of the
Q3. What two discoveries did Drake a	nd his company make?
Q4. What reasons do both accounts gi in the maps that they have?	ive for the inaccuracies or mistakes



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You can use this writing frame to help you decide whether Francis Drake was a hero or 'a master thief'. To complete the frame you will need to have studied both sections of this case study. At the end you can give your opinion of Drake.

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Francis Drake: Was he really 'the Master Thief of the Unknown World'?

In 1577 Drake set off from Plymouth Harbour with 5 ships. The men aboard thought.....

When they found out that Drake wanted to sail across the Atlantic, many of them were.....

Some historians think that the real reason behind the voyage was to.....

It took several weeks to sail across the Atlantic. When they reached the tip of South America, they sailed through the Strait of Magellan. This was difficult because....

When they came to the coast of Chile Drake discovered.....

As they sailed up the coast, Drake and his men came across a number of Spanish ships and settlements. He....

Drake did not want to return to England through the Straits of Magellan because
As a result, Drake decided to keep sailing North. He landed on the west coast of America where
After leaving America, Drake and the Golden Hind sailed across the Pacific Ocean to the Spice Islands and Java before sailing up the African coast back to England. When he returned, he was knighted by Queen Elizabeth I because
To the English, Drake was a hero because
However, the Spanish Ambassador said that he was "the master thief of the unknown world" because
So, was Drake a hero or a pirate? I think