

.....

Session 3: Reading (Pages 29–40)

Before Reading

Discuss children's predictions, checking that they are basing them on events so far.

During Reading

Main question: **What is your opinion on the Pirate Captain's decision to sell Polly? (Y3 t2 Making Inferences)**

Additional prompts

Page 31: What do you think the Pirate Captain's worst fears are?

Page 33: Why did the Queen forgive the Pirate Captain?

Page 38: How do you think the crew will feel about the Pirate Captain's decision?

After Reading

Discuss the main question. Check that children have made up their own minds about the Pirate Captain's decision to sell Polly.

Encourage children to base their reasoning on the text.

Follow-up: children write their opinions about the Captain's decision to hand Polly over and predict how the crew might react.