



## BLACKBEARD

When I was a nipper, I boarded a clipper,  
 sailed the seas as  
 a goods importer-oh  
 Edward Teach is my name, but I earned my fame,  
 as Blackbeard,  
 the pirate of the water-oh  
 Was a jolly chap  
 With a jaunty cap  
 Always gave my crew good quarter-oh  
 But I'm best known for, blood and guts and gore,  
 and a vicious reign of  
 murdering and slaughter-oh

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 murdering and slaughter-oh*

Left my home in Bristol, with sword and pistol,  
 bid a fond farewell to  
 old Blighty-oh  
 What my enemies feared, was my thick black  
 beard, which I always  
 enjoyed setting light to-oh

Once I had a thing  
 For a captive's lovely ring  
 That shone like a jewel in the night ee-oh  
 When the man said no, I just said oh, and I  
 chopped off his hand  
 and said righty-oh

*Man said no, he said oh,  
 chopped off his whole hand and said righty-oh*

Oh I loved to sail the ocean  
 With my flag that inspired emotion

*With its smiling pile of skull and bones  
 Smashing hearts with a violent stabbing motion*

And I loved to escape detection  
 And to win my crews' affection

*Which was nothing to do with the 12 guns he wore  
 On his belt that were for protection.*

I was awfully nice  
 But I had the odd vice  
 Which occasionally caused a commotion  
 The thing that I'd do, was shoot members of my  
 crew, if they didn't  
 show enough devotion

*The thing he'd do, was shoot members of the crew,  
 if they didn't show enough devotion*

Once when very irate, I shot my first mate,

Israel Hands, for a bit of pleasure-oh  
And my debts once grew, killed half my crew,  
to increase my share of the treasure-oh.

Was doing well then

Seemed to run out of men

My captors boarded at their leisure-oh  
Smote me dead then cut off my head and  
displayed it on my mast for good measure-oh

*Smote him dead chopped off his head displayed it  
on the mast for good measure-oh*