

# Treasure Island

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## 2. The Squire and the treasure map

- Narrator: As the strangers lay siege to the *Benbow Inn*, Jim and his mother escape with their lives and make it to the local squire's house. Squire Trelawney sends the militia to deal with the pirates and then, with the help of Jim's friend, Doctor Livesey, they inspect Billy Bones' parchment. It's a map. The key to Captain Flint's treasure - the greatest pirate hoard in the world.
- Squire: Livesey, you can give up being a doctor. And you young Jim, you can forget the *Benbow Inn*. In three weeks time we shall have the best ship and the choicest crew in England. I shall be admiral. You shall be doctor. Jim shall be cabin boy - and -
- Messenger: Squire - the blind beggar is dead. Your horses rode him down and killed him. It was an accident.
- Mother: It is a shame, that's for sure.
- Squire: I regard it as an act of virtue, Ma'am, like killing a cockroach. The others?
- Messenger: All escaped, sir, slipped away into the night.
- Mother: And that is a shame too.
- Squire: Dashed shame. But where was I? Yes, yes, yes... The treasure! We shall find the treasure and bring it home! What do you think of that, young Jim?
- Jim: I shall do my best not to let you down, Squire!
- Mother: He'll be a credit to the undertaking.
- Squire: Yes, jolly good show.
- Dr Livesey: There's only one man I'm afraid of.
- Squire: Who's that? Name the dog, sir!
- Dr Livesey: You! For you cannot hold your tongue.
- Squire: Well...



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- Dr Livesey: We must none of us go alone until we get to sea - and from first to last, sir, you must not breathe a word of what we've found.
- Squire: Dr Livesey, you're in the right of it as always. But worry not. I shall be as silent as the grave. More brandy? To the treasure!
- Jim: To the treasure!

