



At the time of departure the crew of The Unity consisted of 36 members. A number of crewmembers knew each other well; they had made several voyages together. The captain was lord and master aboard his ship. Prior to departure the crew was required to sign the ships articles, this document explained the rules they needed to abide by.

① Reading comprehension

This text is about sailor Antonie, who ran away. Read the text.

“that two of our sailors, Antonie Colombo and Allonse Madroe, have run away on Tuesday November 16th, 1762 while we were anchored in the river Rio Demerary. In the morning, four of our sailors, among them Antonie Colombo and Allonse Madroe, were sent ashore to cut firewood in the forest. The above-named sailors did not return on board in the evening, and we understood from the other two men that Antonie Colombo and Allonse Madroe had become separated from them; they did not know where they had gone. A few days later, on Sunday the 28th of November, Allonse Madroe came back on board. He declared not to know where his fellow sailor was and explained that they had lost each other that night in the wood.”

Questions about the text:

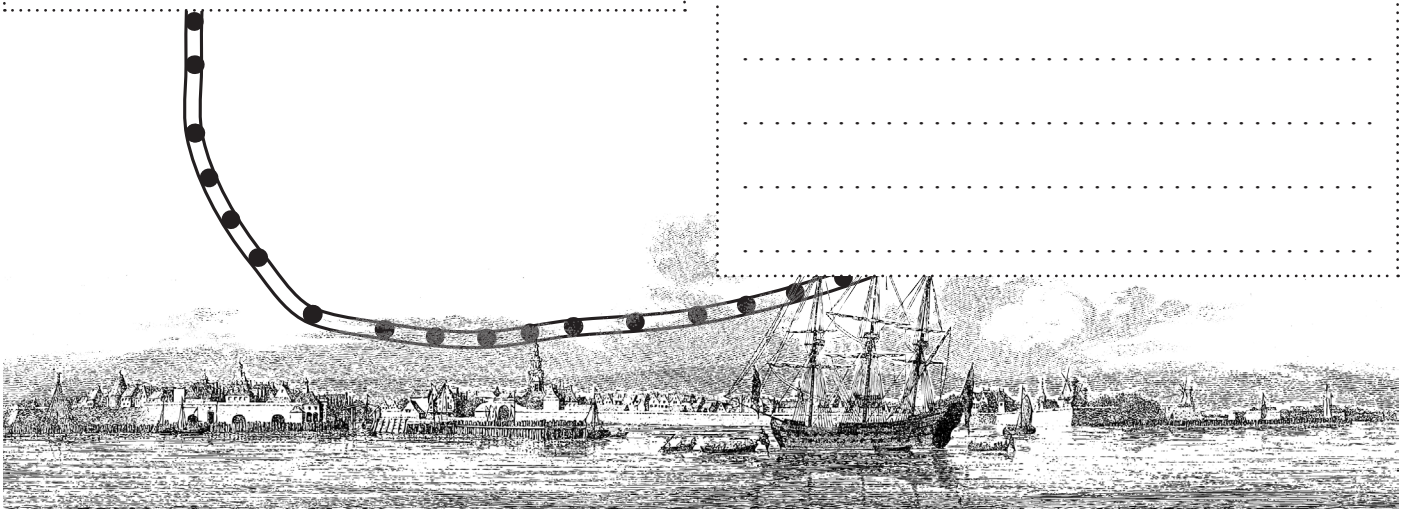
1. Where is the ship anchored?
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2. Which sailors are named?
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3. What were the sailors supposed to do ashore?
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4. Who returned to the ship after he ran away?
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5. What day was it on November 16, 1762?
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② Pay

Sailor Antonie journeyed with The Unity from 1761 till 1762. He ran away from the ship. He did not receive pay according to the ship’s logbook. What is pay?
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③ Story

In your own words, describe what the text is about.
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④ Professions

Connect the two that belong together with a line.

- captain •
- cook •
- gunner •
- chief steward •
- surgeon •
- first mate •
- second mate •
- master carpenter •
- cooper •

- take care of the ship's maintenance
- responsible for navigation
- supervise the sails
- prepare the food
- maintain the ship's trade log
- distribute food and drink
- medical care
- supervise opening of tons and barrels
- take care of guns and ammunition

⑤ Alphabet

Place in alphabetical order:

sailor, captain, gunner, cooper, surgeon, cook, second mate, chief steward, master carpenter.

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⑥ Fill in the missing letters:

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- a n . . o r
- s . i p
- f i r e w . . d
- s . . l s
- s a i l . r s
- l e . g e r
- r o . e s

⑦ Abbreviations

1. before Christ
2. three dimensional
3. et cetera
4. government
5. history
6. Mathematics
7. North East
8. to be announced
9. November
10. the Netherlands

