Treasure Island by visitors to The Red House Museum on 21st September 2024



Treehouse Theatre

Once upon a time, there was a boy called Jim Hawkins who looked his parents pub after they died at sea. It was hard work but he enjoyed meeting all the characters who came in.

One day, as Jim was chatting to his best friend Doctor Libby, an old sailor called Billy Bones burst through the door. He was renting a room to stay in above the pub, so Jim and Libby knew him quite well. He said that some pirates had been looking for him, and he was worried that they might have put the 'black spot' on him. That was a kind of pirate curse, which Billy said would mean he was doomed. When he turned round, Jim saw he had a black spot on his back!

Billy realised the pirates had found him. Reaching into a pocket, he drew out a Treasure Map. That's what the pirates were looking for – and Billy decided that since he was doomed anyway, he would give it to Jim. Suddenly the Black Spot seemed to start working and poor Billy staggered off and met a grisly end. In the confusion, Jim and Libby didn't notice a well-dressed sailor come into the pub and sit in the corner.

Jim and Libby were very excited about finding the Treasure, although they weren't sure how to go about finding a boat. The welldressed sailor couldn't help overhearing, and just happened to be in town with her boat and crew at that moment. She'd be happy to take them. They were off on an adventure!

Jim and Libby set sail for the mysterious Skeleton Island, captained by the charismatic Long Jane Silver. On their journey, upon the open seas, they come across a big storm that throws them off the ship into the middle of the ocean. There is no sign of land and it looked like their fate is set until another ship appears on the horizon. It is carrying another band of pirates, but their hope at being saved by them is dashed, when their ship is also caught up in the storm and they are all thrown overboard too.

Jim, Libby and Silver, along with the other band of pirates, sink to the bottom of the sea. Out of nowhere mermaids find them and come to the rescue. They take them all to a desert island with sand and palm trees. As they all recover their senses, they realise the island is occupied by scorpions. One gives Jim a bad sting, so bad that if he doesn't receive immediate medical attention he will die, so he dies.

Dr Libby is heartbroken, she confesses her love for him and gives him a true love kiss bringing him back to life. They find a raft and set sail to find the right island. Unfortunately, they hit another storm, but luckily a super strong parrot comes by and takes them all to the nearby Dragon Island.

When they arrive, they are eaten alive by a dragon, get pooped out and find a magic boat that can take them to Skeleton Island at last. The boat is super fast, so fast that it can fly across the sea. They finally arrive at their planned destination and use the map to find the treasure. When they do, it is guarded by a three eyed monster, which is actually the marooned Ben Gunn, who has transformed over the years on the island.

Jim defeats monster Ben by poking it in its middle eye with a mop and he dies instantly.

They find the 'X marks the spot', but realise they don't have a spade. After a long hard think, they realise they can all use their hands and dig it up together.

The super strong parrot flies them all home with the treasure and they dance to 'Dance the Night's by Dua Lipa in celebration.