

### My Life Hangs in the Balance

*Answer each question thoughtfully, citing evidence from the text and the page number(s) where you found evidence for each question. Answer in complete sentences and restate the question in your answer whenever possible.*

*This question has two parts. Answer Part A and then answer Part B.*

- Part A:** How is the explanation that Silver gives the pirates for why he is protecting Jim different from the one he gives Jim himself?

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**Part B:** Of the two reasons Silver gives for protecting Jim, which do you think is more likely to be true? Support your answer with evidence from the text.

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2. Why do the pirates decide not to go forward with their mutiny?

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3. The following sentences include slang. Retype the sentences in standard English.

“Aye,” said Silver. “You wouldn’t find a Bishop here, I reckon, but what sort of a way is that for bones to lie? It ain’t in nature.”

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4. Put the following significant events in the order that they happen in the story, with 1 happening first and 4 happening last.

\_\_\_\_\_ Long John Silver shows the men that he has Flint’s treasure map.

\_\_\_\_\_ Long John Silver and his men set out in search of the treasure.

\_\_\_\_\_ The crew gives Long John Silver the black spot, indicating they are going to mutiny.

\_\_\_\_\_ Long John Silver and Jim Hawkins make a deal to look out for one another.

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