

# Christmas on Treasure Island

**SCRIPT (AGES 7+)**

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## FULL DETAILS

**Running Time (including music):** Approximately **55 minutes**.

**Number of songs:** **7**

**Cast: 34 speaking parts** (easily adaptable to approximately **20 - 65**).

The cast can also be expanded further with **non-speaking parts**; suggestions for expanding or reducing the cast are provided in your Play Pack. For further information, take a look at the cast list available on our website.

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## SCENE 1: WELCOME TO OUR SHOW!



### Track 1 / 29: MEDLEY (OPTIONAL)

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*Time to get ready for the start of the show! The instrumental Medley welcomes the audience as the cast assemble, ready to begin the performance...*

## SCENE 2: HAPPY TOWN

The scene is Happy Town - a bright and colourful town, all decorated for Christmas. The **Happy Town Folk** (including **Ziggy, Jed, Chip** and **Pogo**) are decorating a Christmas tree (the fairy lights are not yet lit).

**Narrator 1:** Welcome to our Christmas show,  
Here in Happy Town.  
Where everyone is always happy -  
No-one's ever down.

**Narrator 2:** We're really glad you're here today -  
We're happier than ever,  
'Cos now, at last, it's Christmas Eve,  
And everyone's together!

*Everyone cheers and claps excitedly.*

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🎵 **Track 2 / 30: HAPPY NOW**

**Verse** Time for chasing clouds away,  
Say goodbye to rainy days,  
Sun is shining in the sky,  
We can watch the rainbows flying by.

← For each of these four lines, sweep one hand across the sky, alternating hands each time.

Ev'ry morning, ev'ry night,  
Smiling puts the world to right.  
We can share joy and laughter,  
Ev'rybody happy ever after.

← Hold open hands up to show your smiling face.

← Raise open arms in a sharing gesture.

**Bridge** Near or far, wishing on a star.  
Catch a dream, hold it tight,  
Future's looking bright.

← Pretend to catch something from the sky and hold it close to you, protectively.

**Chorus**      Happy now!  
Chase your blues away.  
'Cause we are happy now!  
We can laugh and play.  
'Cause we are happy now!  
We are a-ok.  
'Cause we are happy now!  
It's a happy day!

← Do jazz hands on each  
"Happy now!"

### Bridge

### Chorus

Happy day!

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*Ziggy moves to centre-stage excitedly, holding aloft a large, sparkly star:*

**Ziggy:**      It's time to put the Christmas star on top of the tree!

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### 🎵 **Track 3 / 31: FX - LIGHTING UP THE TREE**

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*Everyone cheers and claps excitedly as Ziggy places the star on top of the tree; the fairy lights on the tree now light up, and everyone is in awe:*

**Everyone:**      (Impressed) Oooo!

**Narrator 3:**      The magic of the Christmas star  
Shines down on everyone,  
Spreading love around the world,  
And bringing festive fun.

**Chip:**              This is going to be the best Christmas EVER!

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### 🎵 **Track 4 / 32: ON OFF MUSIC**

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*Everyone cheers excitedly as they exit.*

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## SCENE 3: TREASURE ISLAND

*The scene is Treasure Island - a lush, tropical island occupied by the Pesky Pirates. Centre-stage is a rather miserable-looking Christmas tree - small and spindly, with only one bauble and no lights.*

**Narrator 4:** Far away from Happy Town,  
Across the ocean tide,  
You'll find a Treasure Island  
That is famous far and wide.

**Narrator 5:** It's home to Pesky Pirates,  
And evil Captain Sneer -  
A bunch of trouble-makers,  
And naughty buccaneers.

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 **Track 5 / 33: ON OFF MUSIC**

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*The Pesky Pirates (including Shock-eye, Mouldy Bones, Skull-top, Moonshine, Barnacles, Catfish and Dizzy) enter rowdily.*

**All the Pirates:** (To the audience) We're the Pesky Pirates and we're bad  
through and through! Aaaarr!

**The Narrators:** (Encouraging the audience to join in) Boo! Hiss!

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 **Track 6 / 34: PESKY PIRATES**

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**Verse 1** We're the Pesky Pirates - very, very bold,  
Looking out for treasure and for gold,  
Heading out for glory on the seven seas,  
We're as very pesky as can be.

**Verse 2** Sailing to adventure, steady as she goes,  
Hoist the Jolly Roger, there she blows!  
Robbing from the rich or blowing up a bank,  
If you answer back you'll walk the plank!

Through the verses, hold arms at shoulder-height, with forearms overlapping (so that the right hand sits on top of the left elbow, and the left hand sits below the right elbow), then bob up and down in time with the music, with each alternative singer doing the opposite action.

**Chorus** Heave-ho, the merry-o!  
Sing this jaunty song,  
Heave-ho, the merry-o!  
As we sail along!

← Through the first half of the chorus, pretend to heave in a rope in time to the music.

Heave-ho, the merry-o!  
Sailing on the sea,  
Better stay away - we are on the way,  
Pesky Pirates, we!

← Shielding your eyes with one hand, pretend to scan the horizon.

Better stay away - we are on the way,  
Pesky Pirates, we!

← Point forwards, in time with the music, then point to yourself with your thumbs.

**Verse 3 Repeat Verse 2**

**Chorus**

**Bridge** Scrub the decks! (Scrub the decks!)  
Climb the rig! (Climb the rig!)  
Hoist the sail! (Hoist the sail!)  
Fly the flag! (Fly the flag!)  
Wave goodbye! (Wave goodbye!)  
Yo, ho, ho, and away!

← Follow the actions in the lyrics.

**Verse 4 Repeat Verse 1**

We're as very pesky as can be.  
Pesky!

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*Suddenly, **Shock-eye** points and shouts:*

**Shock-eye:** Ahoy, me hearties! Splice the main-brace - here comes  
Captain Sneer!

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🎵 **Track 7 / 35: FX - EVIL FANFARE**

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*The Pirates cheer as the villainous **Captain Sneer** appears.*



**The Narrators:** *(Encouraging the audience to join in)* Boo! Hiss!

**Captain Sneer:** *(To the audience)* Oh, shut up, you horrible bunch!

**Dizzy:** *(Rubbing tummy in hunger)* Did you say it's time for lunch?!

**Mouldy Bones:** *(To the audience)* That's Dizzy!

**Skull-top:** Yeah, dizzy by name, dizzy by nature!

*Dizzy suddenly notices the audience and peers out at them curiously.*

**Dizzy:** Er, I don't like to worry you, but there's a scary bunch of land-lubbers staring at us...!

**Moonshine:** *(Indicating the audience)* Here, Cap'n, do you think they could join our gang of evil pirates?

**Captain Sneer:** *(Peering at the audience)* Well, they certainly look mean enough. *(To the audience)* Let's hear you say, "Aaaarrrr!"

*The audience respond with a hearty "Aaaarrrr!"*

**Barnacles:** Shiver me timbers, they're not very good, Cap'n!

**Captain Sneer:** Aye, and they look a bit scurvy!

**Narrator 6:** Now, listen up - the Pesky Pirates  
Have a cunning plan -  
To ruin Christmas for the world,  
Except their pirate clan...

**Catfish:** Aaaaar! I know how we can ruin Christmas - we can force all the children to eat sprouts for lunch!

**Everyone:** *(Pulling a face)* Yuk!

**Shock-eye:** No, no, that won't work - their parents will do that anyway!

**Dizzy:** *(Sighing with resignation)* Don't waste your time. OUR Christmas will NEVER be as good as in Happy Town, because THEY'VE got a magic star on top of THEIR Christmas tree.

*Sudden silence. Everyone stops and turns slowly to look excitedly at Dizzy.*

**All the Pirates:** *(To Dizzy)* What did you say...?

**Dizzy:** *(Shrugging)* I don't know - I wasn't listening!

**Captain Sneer:** *(Triumphantly)* Aaaaarr, shiver me timbers! Our scurvy shipmate has it! Stealing Christmas is going to be PLAIN SAILING! Come on, you lily-livered lot - hoist the Jolly Roger!

*The Pirates jump into action.*

**Mouldy Bones:** Scrub the decks!

**Skull-top:** Climb the rigging!

**Moonshine:** Hoist the sails!

**Dizzy:** Fasten your seat belt! Secure your hand luggage! Ready for take-off!

**All the Pirates:** *(Confused)* Take-off...?!

**Dizzy:** *(Perplexed)* The Captain said it would be PLAIN sailing!

**Captain Sneer:** Hold tight, me hearties - we're off to get the Christmas staaaarr!

**The Narrators:** *(Encouraging the audience to join in)* Boo! Hiss!

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 **Track 8 / 36: ON OFF MUSIC**

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*Captain Sneer and the Pesky Pirates all cheer and whoop excitedly as they exit.*

## SCENE 4: HAPPY TOWN

*The Happy Town Folk (including Ziggy, Jed, Chip and Pogo) enter excitedly.*

**Narrator 1:** So, now we're back in Happy Town,  
And everyone is ready  
For a special Christmas time  
That's magical and merry.

**Narrator 2:** Now, for the Mayor and Mayoress  
It's their favourite time of year.  
And here they come, so everyone,  
Let's give them both a cheer!



### Track 9 / 37: ON OFF MUSIC

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*Everyone cheers and applauds as the Mayor and Mayoress enter.*

**Mayoress:** I'm finally ready for Christmas. *(To the Mayor)* And I've made you some of my famous mince pies! *(To the audience)* EVERYONE loves my mince pies!

*Everyone, including the Mayor, winces and gasps in horror.*

**Mayor:** *(To the audience)* Oh, no! Not her mince pies! They're so bad for my TUMMY.

*The Mayoress looks shocked.*

**Mayoress:** What did you say?!

*The Mayor switches to fake delight and rubs his tummy hungrily.*

**Mayor:** I said: Oh good, they're so YUMMY!

**Mayoress:** That's good - because I've made you lots and LOTS!

**Mayor:** *(Faking delight)* Oooo, I can't tell you how pleased I am...

**Mayoress:**           *(Suspiciously)* How pleased are you...?

**Mayor:**               *(Shaking head gloomily)* I can't tell you!

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🎵 **Track 10 / 38: INCIDENTAL MUSIC - NEWSFLASH**

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*Suddenly, a television-style Newsreader pops up and takes centre-stage to address the audience directly, reading urgently from a clipboard:*

**Newsreader:**       We interrupt this play to bring you some urgent news - the Pesky Pirates are on their way to Happy Town to steal the Christmas star!

*Everyone gasps in horror.*

**Newsreader:**       *(To the audience)* If YOU see a Pesky Pirate be sure to shout out as loud as you can! Let's try it now - everyone shout "Pesky Pirates!" after three - one, two, three!

**Audience:**         Pesky Pirates!

**Newsreader:**       *(To the audience, looking unimpressed)* Is that the best you can do...?! Let's try again - one, two, three!

**Audience:**         PESKY PIRATES!

**Newsreader:**       *(Still unimpressed)* Well, I suppose it'll have to do...

*The Newsreader exits, while the Pesky Pirates creep (unseen by the Happy Town folk) onto the back of the stage.*

**Audience:**         PESKY PIRATES!

**Mayoress:**         *(To the audience)* You're a bit late - we've finished rehearsing!

**Mayor:**             No, no, dear - I think they've seen the pirates! *(To the audience)* Where are they?!

**Audience:**         Behind you!

**Mayor:** Where...?!

**Audience:** Behind you!

**Mayor:** Oh no, they're not!

**Audience:** Oh yes, they are!

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🎵 **Track 11 / 39: FX - EVIL FANFARE**

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*Suddenly **Captain Sneer** leaps onto the stage with an evil cackle.*

**Everyone:** *(Encouraging the audience to join in)* Boo! Hiss!

**Barnacles:** Make way for Captain Sneer!

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🎵 **Track 12 / 40: BAD OLD CAPTAIN SNEER**

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**Verse 1** Make way for the Captain, scoundrel of the seas, ← 

Salute the Captain!
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Meanest pirate in the world, ev'ryone agrees.  
Make way for the Captain, evil through and through,  
Scaring all the boys and girls, with his pirate crew.

**Chorus** Strong and bold, he'll steal your gold, ← 

Through the chorus, bob up and down in time with the music, with each alternative singer doing the opposite action.
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Fill your world with fear,  
That's why no-one loves him so,  
Bad old Captain Sneer!

**Verse 2** Now you've seen the Captain, and his wicked ways. ← 

Pull a scary face!
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He loves to be mean and cruel, ev'ry single day.  
Now you've seen the Captain, here's the reason why,  
Ev'rybody shakes with fear, when he's sailing by. ← 

Shake with fear!
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**Chorus**

**Instrumental**

**Bridge** Just watch out,  
He's about,  
Tough and mean,  
You will scream,  
Don't go near,  
Bad old Captain Sneer!

← Look around nervously  
and quake with fear!

**Reprise** Make way for the Captain, scoundrel of the seas,  
Meanest pirate in the world, ev'ryone agrees.

← Salute the  
Captain!

He's Bad!

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**Captain Sneer:** Aaaaar, you horrible lot! I'm going to make sure you all have a really rotten Christmas!

*Captain Sneer snatches the star from the top of the Christmas tree, then he and the Pesky Pirates dash off, cheering triumphantly. The Happy Town Folk are horrified.*

**Everyone:** (Encouraging the audience to join in) Boo! Hiss!

**Mayoress:** (Gloomily) It looks like Christmas is cancelled!

**Mayor:** (With mock despair) Oh, what a shame - I was just looking forward to your mince pies!

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♪ **Track 13 / 41: IF CHRISTMAS IS GONE**

**Verse 1** There'll be no snow this year,  
There'll be no Christmas dreaming,  
No games to play,  
On frosty days,  
No winter wonderland.

There'll be no time to meet,  
There'll be no festive greetings.  
No tucked up tight,  
On winter nights,  
No giving gifts to friends.

**Chorus** This time of the year,  
There should be laughter not tears.  
This time of the year,  
We should see friends from far and near.  
If our dreams and hopes all disappear,  
No star to wish upon,  
Nothing's the same if Christmas is gone.

← Through the chorus,  
sway from side to side  
in time with the music,  
with each alternate  
row doing the opposite  
action.

### **Instrumental**

**Verse 2** If we have love to share,  
If we have time for caring,  
Some future day  
Wake up and say,  
Let our dreams come true,  
Come true!

**Chorus**  
No star to wish upon,  
Nothing's the same if Christmas is gone.

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**Narrator 3:** Those Pesky Pirate buccaneers  
Have really spoilt the day -  
They've whisked the magic Christmas star  
Across the seas, and far away...

**Mayoress:** Oh, my giddy aunt! What are we going to do?!

**Pogo:** Get the Christmas star back!

*Gradually everyone joins in, until the whole town is chanting:*

**Everyone:** Get the star! Get the star!

**Mayor:** Oh, dearie me, chasing after those Pesky Pirates could be  
very dangerous. Who would be brave enough?

**Mayoress:** Or stupid enough!

*Ziggy, Jed, Chip and Pogo leap forward:*

**Ziggy, Jed, Chip and Pogo:**  
We'll go!

*Everyone claps and cheers excitedly.*

**Mayoress:** That's VERY brave! As a reward, when you get back you can have some of my famous mince pies.

*Everyone winces and gasps in horror.*

**Chip:** Oh, no! Not her MINCE PIES!

*The Mayoress looks shocked.*

**Mayoress:** What did you say?!

*Chip switches to fake delight.*

**Chip:** I said: Oh good, what a SURPRISE!

**Mayor:** *(To Chip and Pogo, directing them to the right)* No time to waste! You go THAT way after the Pesky Pirates.

**Mayoress:** *(To Ziggy and Jed, directing them to the left)* And you go THAT way, and find Santa.

**Everyone:** *(Gasping in awe)* SANTA?!

**Mayoress:** If HE can't save Christmas NO-ONE can!



**Track 14 / 42: ON OFF MUSIC**

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*Everyone wishes the four rescuers luck as they dash off to save Christmas...*

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