





dangerous sailing conditions. Surely, there must be one thing left that all sailors fear to be used as his new figurehead.

Silverhook wasted no time. First, he asked his crew for ideas.

"I've always hated jellyfish," said Johnson.

"Yeah, they got that awful sting and they clog up the straights," added Smith.

"Jellyfish ain't terrifying. What we need is a lightning bolt," said Biggs.

Captain Silverhook laughed at his crew's ridiculous ideas. None of them were nearly frightening enough. Back in his cabin, Silverhook stared out the porthole. The skies were unusually clear, and the waters abandoned of sea life. He was searching for an idea, but Mother Nature didn't appear to want any involvement in giving him one.

## **A New Figurehead**

After scouring the weapons, barracks, and sights from the crow's nest, Captain Silverhook grew frustrated. He threw himself down on a barrel near the edge of the ship. A few small waves slapped against the side of the Dark Wave. That was it!

When a storm blows in, any Captain will get nervous, even if he'd never admit it. There is an uncertainty in the way of the water. It can creep up and overtake you or soak in slowly to rot a ship from the inside out. Yes, what could be more feared than a dark wave? So, the ship Captain Silverhook so strongly named would now have a figurehead to match. All pirates feared the waters of the sea, and now they had Captain Silverhook's waves of wood to be wary of him as well.

