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Just the word pirate conjures up a powerful image that touches the soul of most landlubbers. They roamed the waves in search of booty and plunder, and their names evoke visions of danger and dashing on the Caribbean's cobalt seas. But the real history of piracy is a grim and gritty tale of death and desperation. While the possibility of wealth and fame was real, so was the chance that they would be struck down by the guns and sabers of those they attacked, or done in by disease or malnutrition on dangerous seas.

**Real Pirates of the Caribbean** will investigate the truth behind the legends of men like Blackbeard and other pirates who called the Caribbean their home. Their stories will be told by leading authors, historians and archeologists who have explored Blackbeard's flagship, "Queen Anne's Revenge", in search of artifacts.

In addition, **Real Pirates of the Caribbean** will look at today's modern pirates through the eyes of such experts as law enforcement officials, the coast guard, and the FBI. Shockingly, today's pirates are very similar to their predecessors of years past--no bounty is too small, no act too ruthless or barbaric. Be it attacking supertankers or small pleasure craft, today's pirates use intimidation and murder to get what they want. These buccaneers are drug smugglers, organized-crime gangs, individual entrepreneurs, and terrorists, all of whom will do whatever it takes to steal the bounty they want.

With actual pirate ship footage and real life accounts, this extraordinary documentary will capture the true essence of what it means to be a pirate, whether two hundred years ago, or two weeks ago. **Real Pirates of the Caribbean** will make it clear why the sight of the Jolly Roger unfurled strikes terror into the hearts of mariners around the world.

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