Blackbeard: A Fierce Pirate
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Blackbeard (spent) a lot of time off the (coast) of Virginia and the Carolinas in 1717 (and) 1718. His ship was called Queen Anne’s (Revenge). Blackbeard stole ships and held people (for) ransom. One day his ship ran (aground) near Cape Fear. The governor of (North) Carolina pardoned Blackbeard. But Blackbeard would (not) stop his pirate ways. Blackbeard had (captured) more than 40 ships as a pirate. (He) had caused the death of hundreds (of) people. Finally, the governor sent a (ship) to arrest Blackbeard. There was a (huge), bloody battle. Blackbeard put up a (big) fight but was killed. He died (with) 5 bullets and more than 20 stab wounds (in) his body.
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