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Piracy is an act of criminal violence at sea. It can include acts happened on land, in the air, or in other bodies of water or on a shore. Piracy or pirating is the name of a specific crime under customary international law.

The modern pirate stereotype owes its tradition mostly to that of the Caribbean pirate and such depictions as Captain Hook, Long John Silver and various adaptations of the pirates. In these and many other books, movies, and legends pirates are portrayed as “swashbucklers” and “plunderers.”

The earliest documented acts of piracy refer to the Aegean and Mediterranean in the 14th century BC. The great or classic era of piracy in the Caribbean extends from 1560 until the 1720s. Many pirates came to the Caribbean after the end of the War of the Spanish Succession, staying in the Caribbean to make attempt for making a living by robbery and kidnapping of people on nearby islands.

In the popular modern imagination, pirates of the classical period were rebellious, clever teams who operated outside the restricting bureaucracy of modern life. Pirates were also depicted as always raising their Jolly Roger flag when preparing to attack a vessel.

Unlike traditional Western societies of the time, many Caribbean pirate crews of European descent operated as limited democracies.

Today there is internet piracy. It is the unlawful reproduction or distribution of any copyrighted digital file that can change hands over the Internet. This can be done with music files, videos and other materials. It has become a worldwide crime problem, because of the relative ease with which it can be committed, even over long distances.

Nowadays governments of many countries provided some laws against internet piracy in order to protect author’s rights. Nowadays piracy is as big problem as it was in time of Caribbean pirates. To protect society from such type of violence governments of most developed countries should help other countries create new laws to eradicate piracy.