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CAST AWAY

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Epic true stories of shipwreck, piracy and mutiny on the high seas

Cast Away recounts the epic tales of the survivors of shipwreck, mutiny and marooning through the ages and around the globe, focusing on the age of sail and steam. It captures some of the most exciting and bizarre stories of the sea, encompassing the predations of pirates, the last-resort horrors of cannibalism, encounters with ferocious indigenous tribes, the unfettered madness of religious maniacs and psychopaths and survival against all odds.

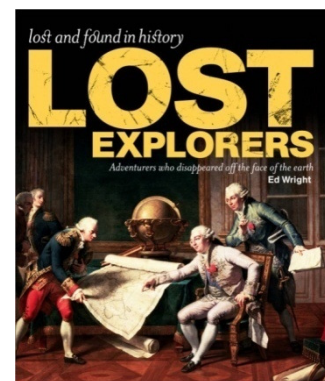
Ranging from the frozen polar regions to the Sahara desert, *Cast Away* is divided into four parts: The Stormy Atlantic; In the Far Off Southern Seas; Upon a Far Coast; and Northern Darkness.

Castaways include Alexander Selkirk, 'the real Robinson Crusoe'; the survivors of the wreck of the *Batavia*, terrorised by their psychopathic leader; James Riley and his fellow Americans, wrecked on the coast of North Africa and sold into slavery by their Arab 'rescuers'; Daniel Foss, who dined on a fellow shipwreck survivor who had volunteered to be killed and eaten; and William Mariner, who became an honorary Tongan chief during his time stranded in the Pacific.

'Now would I give a thousand furlongs of sea for an acre of barren ground.' -William Shakespeare, *The Tempest*

Cast Away is the second title in the *Lost and Found in History* Series. The first, *Lost Explorers* by Ed Wright is available now.

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