Number the Events

Captain Finnigan was a pirate – a very bad pirate. He was always on the lookout for treasure to steal. One day, through his telescope, he spotted a ship on the horizon. Could it be carrying treasure? There was only one way to find out. He ordered his crew to man the rigging and they set off in pursuit. In no time at all, they were bearing down upon their prey. Captain Finnigan ordered the men to hoist the Jolly Roger as a sign that they were about to attack. The pirates drew alongside the ship and Captain Finnigan shouted across, "Give up ye treasure and I might let ya live!" There was no answer. In fact, there was no one there. Captain Finnigan smiled. Taking treasure from this boat would be a piece of cake.

 Number the following events from 1 to 4 to show the order that they happened in the text.

In no time at all, they were bearing down on their prey.

The ship looked abandoned.

He was always on the lookout for treasure to steal.

There was no answer.

He used a rope to swing across to the empty vessel. His sword was in his hand, as always, in readiness to fight. However, no one was there. The captain was puzzled. Who was sailing the ship? Where were the crew? An uneasy feeling crept over him. He decided to go below deck to investigate further. He walked cautiously down the steps and into the darkness below. The captain could just make out a soft yellow glow in front of him. Treasure! Greedily, he rushed towards it, only to be scooped quite unexpectedly into the air. He was now tangled in a net that was being suspended from the ceiling. He couldn't move – he was trapped!

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