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## **Story**

In the year 1836, the Beagle, an English sailing boat on an expedition in the Pacific Ocean lays anchor to one of the Galapagos Islands. Charles Darwin, the young scientist is also on board, and immediately embarks upon studying the island's flora and fauna. In the meantime the two ship's boys Sniff and Jack survey two dodgy sailors who explore the island with the help of a map: they are obviously on a treasure hunt! Sniff and Jack discover that the two sailors are in fact former pirates and an adventurous chase ensues...

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## **Michael Rothballer**

Michael Rothballer's favourite pastime during his childhood was the discovery of new and strange worlds. Accordingly, he became a scientist. He studied biology and today works at a science laboratory. In his spare

time he writes science mysteries and thrillers. This is his second most favourite pastime and his stories are another way of discovering new worlds.

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