

# Grade 9 Answer

## Consequence Question

4  
Marks

### Question:

Explain one consequence of the work of Governor Spotswood. (4 marks)

### Answer:

One consequence of the work of Governor Spotswood was the suppression of piracy along the Virginia coast. Spotswood informed the British Board of Trade about the growing problem of piracy and took decisive action to combat it. He changed Virginia law to offer rewards for capturing pirates, prosecuted them vigorously, and even removed judges who were lenient in pirate trials. He also organized military attacks on pirate bases, leading to the death of the infamous pirate Blackbeard in 1718.

### Feedback:

This answer would get 4/4 marks because the pupil has identified a consequence (suppression of piracy), and has analysed the consequence using specific information, showing good understanding of the period.

