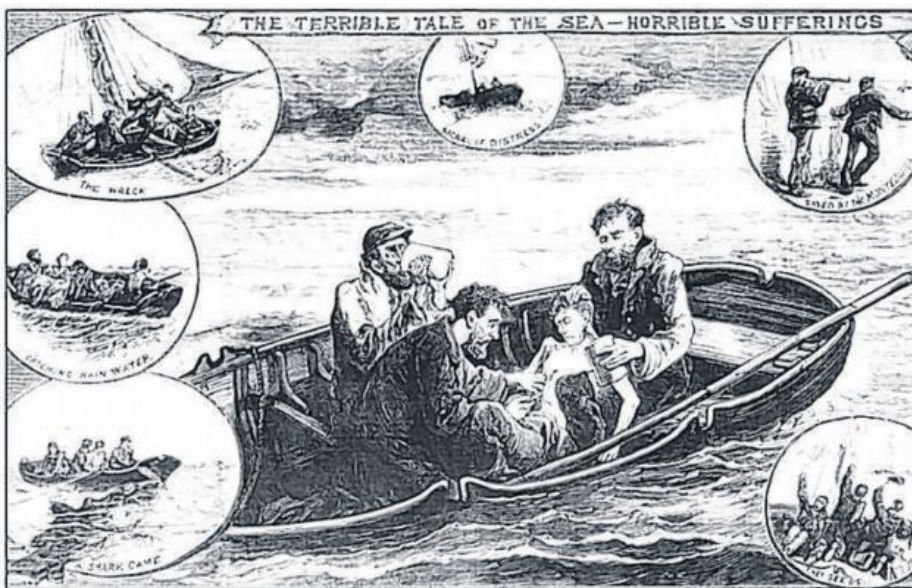


Law – New Student Day Activity

Law and Morality – Murder, cannibalism and the law of necessity!!

In English Law one of the most famous cases is the case of

Dudley v Stevens (1884)



Watch this video about the case of Dudley v Stevens

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GeZEvSMMRo0&list=PLH37By4v_fxl-VGRzq7R6yC4-uSihxAHK&t=7s

Read a summary of the case here

<http://www.e-lawresources.co.uk/cases/R-v-Dudley-and-Stephens.php>

Activity:

Summarise:

- The facts of the case (what happened)
- The decision of the court
- Your views on whether the court reached the right decision with reasons

Further Reading

The full details of the case (facts, legal principle and judgment) can be found in a law report.

Be a lawyer and read the original law report here:

<https://la.utexas.edu/users/jmciver/357L/QueenvDS.PDF>

Read the view of a Law Professor on this case:

<https://www.irishtimes.com/news/crime-and-law/necessity-is-no-defence-for-murder-1.519637>

Extension Activity

Has your opinion changed? Should it be lawful to kill another person when it is necessary to save your own life? Make notes on your answer with reasons.

