

As we begin our Expedition, there are a lot of words that may be new to you. Whether you are reading the stories and blog on the Bodacious Dream Expeditions website, working thru the Explorer Guides, or watching Captain Dave’s videos, we want you to understand the terms you are seeing and hearing. Let us know when something is unfamiliar and we will add the word or phrase to this Glossary. Curiosity is a good thing... if you have a question, you can be sure someone else does, too!

The Bodacious IV crew wants you to be word smart. Come onboard!

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Arid Desert	Very dry climate or desert area that gets very little rain.
Alternator	A piece of equipment that is attached to and run by the engine onboard the boat to generate electricity to recharge the batteries, which provide electricity for lights and navigation.
Amazon	The largest river in the world, which runs thru the heart of Brazil and empties into the Atlantic Ocean.

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Baja Peninsula	A finger of land that extends southward from near the California and Mexico border and separates the Gulf of California or Sea of Cortez from the Pacific Ocean.
Boat Lines	Refers to the design of a boat and the shape of the hull. For instance, someone might say, “The boat has very nice lines.” Meaning it has a very pleasing look to her design.
Breeding Grounds	A particular area in the wilderness where animals have their babies.

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Cactus and Brush	Types of plants you would find in an arid desert environment. These are plants that do not require much water to stay alive.
Captain	The person in charge of a sailing ship, just as you hear someone referred to as the Captain of an airplane, sports team, or police department. These are the leaders of an effort or organization.
Class 40 Racing Sailboat	A specific design of a racing sailboat such as Bodacious Dream. The boat is 40-foot-long, has certain restrictions to its width, height, weight and sail area.
Coffee Grinder	A particular type of winch on a boat to handle heavy loads on lines. It looks like bicycle pedals you operate with your hands and arms.
Competitor	A member of a team or an individual person who is playing in a game or sport. “Tom is a competitor in the sail boat race.”

Continent

A large mass of land you would see on a globe or map of the world. North America, South America, Africa, Europe, Asia, Australia, and Antarctica are all continents.

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Dehydrated

Something that has less water in it than is intended. A person can be dehydrated because they have not drunk enough water. Dehydrated food, like dried fruit or beef jerky, is dried on purpose to preserve it.

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Environment

The world around us. Environment is a word used to describe the area and space in which we live or function.

Expedition

A trip that involves some exploration and investigation of interesting areas.

Exploration

To look carefully at and discover new and interesting things.

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Fahrenheit

A measure of temperature. Celsius is the metric measurement.

Freeze Dried

Term used to describe food that has been dried out (dehydrated) for preservation. It does not weigh as much and does not need to be refrigerated, so it is perfect to take onboard the sailboat. We rehydrate it by adding water, which turns it back into edible food.

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Galley

The kitchen of a boat.

Gargantuan

Really big!

Geology

The makeup of rocks, mountains and earth.

Great Lakes

There are five major lakes in the north central part of the United States that are tied together. These are considered the Great Lakes: Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Lake Huron, Lake Erie, and Lake Ontario.

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Head

The bathroom on a boat.

History

The documentation or record of what happened in the past.

Hobie Cat

The name for a type of sailing boat. It has two long, narrow hulls and sails very fast.

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Lake Michigan

One of the Great Lakes and the lake Dave Rearick learned to sail on.

Lines

On a boat, lines refer to the ropes on the boat. Sometimes, a boat's lines refers to her design.

Loads/Forces

When something is hard to pull or push. The power of a hard pull is called the load. The power of a hard push is called the force.

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Maritime

Refers to things that deal with boats and water.

Migration

The seasonal movement of animals in the winter from cold weather to warmer weather, or in summer from warmth to cooler climates.

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Navigation

The work involved in finding your way where you want to go. When you get off the bus and walk down the road to your house, you are navigating the road to your house.

— P —

Peninsula

A strip of land that is bordered by water on three sides. Baja California is a peninsula and Florida is, too. They can be big or small.

Population

The people who live in a particular area.

Pulling Boat

A boat that was used for catching whales in the 1800s. It is open and uses oars to move it.

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Route

This would be the same as a path, or road, or sidewalk. "He took the route past the store to get home."

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**Satellite
Communication:**

Talking on a phone that sends a signal up to a satellite and back down to earth.

Schooner

A type of boat used a long time ago to move lumber and coal across the water.

Siblings

Brothers and sisters.

Sol Fish

A very interesting and odd fish. It looks like a round saucer with two fins to help it move. It is often seen laying on the surface of the water soaking up the sun.

Single Handed Sailing

Sailing a boat by yourself.

Spine

The main, center support of your back. Sometimes the word is used to refer to a line of mountains that run down the center of a peninsula.

Sunfish

A small boat that sails with just one or two kids. It has a triangular sail.

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Winches

A piece of equipment we use to pull in lines that have heavy loads. You put a handle in the center of the winch to turn it. It uses gears to make the winch turn and pull in the line.

Parts of a Sailboat

<http://gulfportyachtclub.webs.com/PartsoftheBoat.jpg>

