

Maritime mysteries: Reading Tasks

- 1 Ask and answer these questions with another student.
- Have you been on board a boat? Where did you sail to?
 - Do you think a coastguard has a boring job?
 - Does the idea of being a crew member on a boat that's sailing around the world interest you?

- 2 Match the words in bold with their definitions below.

sail **cargo** **dinghy** **rope**

1. A small boat.
2. To travel somewhere by boat / A large piece of strong cloth fixed to a tall pole on a boat.
3. A type of very thick string that can be used for tying or pulling things.
4. Things that are sent by ship, plane, train or truck.

- 3 Read your article again and complete the table. There's no need to write full sentences, just make notes.

Name of the boat	
The people on board	
Where the boat left from	
Where the boat was sailing to	
When the boat was found	
Who found the boat	
What was missing from the boat	
The general condition of the boat	
The weather	
Any other interesting information	