

Nauti Phrase	Landlubber's Interpretation	Skipper's Meaning
Avast	Reference to size i.e. Avast behind	Stop! Cease! Desist! Don't do it!
Baggywrinkle	Skipper's attire early in the morning	Frayed rope in rigging to prevent wear to sails
Bear away	Escaped bear	Turn way from the wind
Belay	Assault someone	Tie an important piece of string to something
Bend	Bend and hope it does not break	Tie ropes together
Berth	Produce a baby	Bed or place to park the boat
Bitts	What will be left after crashing the boat	Sturdy posts for attaching ropes too.
Boom	Noise from cannon	Stick for holding out sails
Bow	Politely nod your head at the skipper	Pointy end at the front of the boat
Brail	Writing system for visually impaired	Tie up sails to masts
Broach	Skipper's adornment	Boat does a very nasty turn and might fall over. Not good.
Buoy	Sounds like boy? Diminutive and insulting way to address the crew	Floating object anchored in the water to provide a navigation mark
Cable	Hefty piece of string	The landlubber is correct! Or it might be a tenth of a sea mile
Capstan	The skipper's nickname	Device for exerting strong pull on ropes
Careening	Enjoying the company of the skipper's daughter	Hauling over the boat over so as to scrape muck off it.
Coaming	What the skipper used to do when he had hair	Raised edge of hatchway or side of boat
Derrick	Skipper's old friend	Boat mounted crane
Draft	Wind	Distance between sea surface and bottom of the boat
Floor	Platform at the bottom of the boat	Beams across the bottom of the boat
Freeboard	All food and accommodation costs paid for	Distance between waterline and top edge of the boat
Gaff	Skipper's place of residence	Stick attached to extend the top of another stick
Galley	Type of boat propelled by slaves – like the one I'm on now	Kitchen area
Halyard	Character in a Shakespearean play?	Rope for heaving up a sail.
Hawse	Skipper's voice after shouting instructions at crew	Heavy rope for anchoring or towing the boat
Heads	Senior people on the boat	Place where bottom business is conducted
Jib	Big rock off southern Spain	Sail at the front
Keel	Small town in Staffordshire	Plank along the bottom boat
Knot	Consequence of messing with string	Speed unit of measure. Even quicker than miles per hour.
Mizzen	Emotion resulting from Nauti-language confusion	Sail on the stick at the back
Painter	Skipper's occupation in winter months to smarten his boat	String to tie boat to the shore or another boat
Port	Kipper's tipple or a harbour	A harbour is OK...might also mean on the left-hand side of the boat looking forward.

Reef	Rocks below surface of the sea	The Landlubber is correct! But it might also mean reduce the amount of sail area, now, straightaway, immediately because otherwise something awful might happen.
Sheets	Large areas of cloth held up on sticks, everyone knows these should be called sails.	String attached to the lower corners for the sails, to control their shape
Shrouds	Sheet for wrapping bodies	Sturdy wire or string to keep the mast up
Stern	Skipper's demeanour toward Landlubbers	Back end of the boat, usually blunt, unless you own a SB Storm
Tiller	Tool for digging earth	Stick used to steer the boat
Whisker pole	Small frayed stick for stirring the skipper's G&T	Stick for holding sails out before light winds