sea [si:] *n* 

# 1. 1) водная поверхность земного шара; море, океан

open sea - открытое море

closed /enclosed, inland/ sea - внутреннее /закрытое/ море

victory upon the seas - победа на море /в морском бою/

the Mediterranean [the Black] Sea - Средиземное [Чёрное] море

at sea - в море, далеко от берега, в плавании [ср. тж. ◊]

to be buried at sea - быть погребённым в море

bv sea - морем

by sea and land, by land and sea - морем и по суше

on land and sea - на суше и на море

by the sea - у моря, на морском берегу

on the sea - a) по морю; boats sail on the sea - лодки плывут по морю; б) на корабле; в плавании; those in peril on the sea - те, кому угрожает опасность в море; в) на море, на морском берегу

Brighton is on the sea - Брайтон расположен на море

a town on the sea - приморский город

beyond /across, over the sea(s) - a) за море, за границу; в чужие края; б) за морем, за границей, в чужих краях

countries beyond the sea - заморские страны

out at sea, on the high seas - в открытом море

the high seas - открытое море, море за пределами территориальных вод

an arm of the sea = sea-arm

at the bottom of the sea - на дне моря

to jump into the sea - прыгать в море

to go (down) to the sea - поехать к морю

to put (out) to sea - выйти в море (о судне), пуститься в плавание

to be mistress of the sea(s) - господствовать на море, быть владычицей морей (о державе)

the sea covers nearly three-fourths of the world's surface - вода покрывает около трёх четвертей поверхности земли

#### 2) (Sea в названиях некоторых озёр) море

the Aral Sea - Аральское море

the Dead Sea - Мёртвое море

the Sea of Galilee - Галилейское море

#### 3) морская вода

animals [plants] which live in the sea - морские животные [растения]

chemical constituents of the sea - химический состав морской воды

salmon return from the sea to fresh water to breed - на нерест лосось идёт из моря в пресные воды

# 4) морское дело; флот

to serve at sea - служить во флоте

to take up the sea as a career - стать профессиональным моряком (особ. офицером флота)

to go to sea to take /to follow/ the sea - быть или стать моряком

he went to sea at eighteen - в восемнадцать лет он пошёл во флот

# 2. 1) поверхность моря, морская гладь

the sea is like a looking-glass /like a sheet of glass/ - морская гладь подобна зеркалу

the sea was smooth [calm, rough, stormy] - море было тихое [спокойное, бурное, штормовое]

### 2) часто р/ волна, вал; волнение

heavy sea - бурное море

short [long] sea - короткая [длинная] волна

to run before the sea - уходить от волны

a sea struck us - нас захлестнула волна

to ship a sea - получить сильный удар волны, черпнуть воды

the seas went high - море разбушевалось

a furious gale stirred up the sea - жестокий шторм поднял волнение

fifteen-footseas battered against her hull - волны высотой в 15 футов бились о корпус судна

# 3. множество, масса, огромное количество, «море»

seas of blood [of faces] - море крови [лиц]

waving seas of people - бесчисленное множество людей, приветственно машущих руками

a sea of troubles (Shakespeare) - целое море бед

### 4. арх. прилив

at full sea - во время прилива

to be (all) at sea - быть в полном недоумении, не знать, что делать, что сказать и т. п., зайти в тупик [ср. тж. 1, 1)]

I am quite at sea - я совсем запутался /растерялся/

to have an opponent all at sea - сбить противника с толку

the four seas - четыре моря, омывающие Великобританию

between the four seas - в Великобритании

the seven seas - a) северная и южная части Тихого океана, Северный Ледовитый океан, моря Антарктики и Индийский океан; to go gallivanting on the seven seas - шутл. шляться по всему свету; б) мировой океан, все моря и океаны земного шара brazen /molten/ sea - библ. море, литое из меди (сосуд в храме Соломона)

to go by "long sea" - ехать пароходом

half seas over- «под мухой», под хмельком;  $\cong$  (ему) и море по колено when the sea gives up its dead - когда море вернёт всех погибших в нём (m. e. hukoeda) between the devil and the deep sea - nocn.  $\cong$  между двух огней there are as good fish in the sea as ever came out of it - всего много;  $\cong$  хоть пруд пруди

sea

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sea [sea seas] BrE [si] " NAmE [si] " noun

- **1.** (often the sea) uncountable (also literary seas plural) (especially BrE) the salt water that covers most of the earth's surface and surrounds its continents and islands
  - to travel by sea
  - a cottage by the sea
  - The waste was dumped in the sea .
  - The wreck is lying at the bottom of the sea.
  - We left port and headed for the open sea (= far away from land) .
  - the cold seas of the Arctic
  - · a sea voyage
  - · a hotel room with sea view

see also high seas, locean

- 2. countable (often Sea, especially as part of a name) a large area of salt water that is part of an ocean or surrounded by land
  - the North Sea
  - the Caspian Sea



- 3. countable (also seas plural) the movement of the waves of the sea
  - · It was a calm sea.
  - The sea was very rough.
- 4. singular ~ of sth a large amount of sth that stretches over a wide area
  - He looked down at the sea of smiling faces before him.

more at between the devil and the deep blue sea at \frac{1}{devil}, there are plenty more fish in the sea at \frac{1}{fish} \, n

Idioms: 1at sea = 1go to sea = 1out to sea = 1put to sea

Word Origin:

Old English sæ□, of Germanic origin; related to Dutch zee and German See.

### Thesaurus:

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# sea noun U, C

• He was in the navy so he spent much of his life at sea.

(the) ocean · · waters ·

Opp: land

by/on/across/beneath/under the sea/ocean

in the sea/the ocean/... waters

cross/sail the sea/ocean

**Sea or ocean?** In British English the usual word for the mass of salt water that covers most of the earth's surface is **sea**; in American English it is **ocean** 

- (BrE) a cottage by the sea
- (AmE) a house on the ocean

For particular places you can only use one word

- the Pacific Ocean
- the Mediterranean Sea

# British/American:

### sea / ocean

In *BrE*, the usual word for the mass of salt water that covers most of the earth's surface is the **sea**. In *NAmE*, the usual word is the **ocean**: • A swimmer drowned in the sea/ocean this morning.

The names of particular areas of seas, however, are fixed: ■ the Mediterranean Sea ♦ the Atlantic Ocean .

**Sea/ocean** are also used if you go to the coast on holiday/vacation: • We're spending a week by the sea/at the ocean in June . In NAME it is also common to say: • We're going to the beach for vacation.

note at ↑coast

# Example Bank:

· He has sailed the seven seas.

- I love swimming in the sea!
- In recent years the sea has risen by a couple of inches.
- · She scanned the vast sea of faces below her.
- · She stood on the cliff, staring out to sea.
- The camp is situated 6 755 feet above sea level.
- The fishing boats headed for the open sea.
- The island is sinking into the ocean due to rising sea levels.
- The sea has receded since the river was diverted
- The sea was too rough for sailing in small boats.
- The ship put to sea in deteriorating weather conditions.
- They live by the sea.
- They were lost at sea when their ship sank en route for Madeira.
- They were surrounded by a sea of boxes.
- Thousands of Haitians tried to cross the sea to Florida.
- We crossed the Mediterranean Sea on a cruise ship.
- · We sailed across the Black Sea in a yacht.
- · We sent our furniture by sea.
- · We spent three weeks at sea.
- We'll go down to the sea for a swim before dinner.
- a calm sea after the storm
- · a house overlooking the sea
- the rise of British sea power in the 17th and 18th centuries
- · three ships sailing on the sea
- · treacherous sea conditions around Greenland
- A boy drowned last night after being swept into rough seas by a large wave.
- Fish stocks in the North Sea are in danger of 'crashing' because of over-fishing
- Her husband was in the navy and spent a lot of time away at sea.
- · I asked for a room with a sea view.
- · I looked down at the sea of faces.
- · Now the wreck is lying at the bottom of the sea.
- · Our next guest has travelled across land and sea to be with us this evening
- · The goods were sent by sea.
- The plane passed over a sea of greenery.
- The sea was very calm.
- The taxi made its way through a sea of bicycles.
- The waste is dumped in the sea.
- They live in a cottage by the sea.
- They sailed the seven seas in search of adventure
- We left the port and headed for the open sea.
- the cold seas of the Antarctic

sea

sea S2 W1 /si BrE AmE noun

a S2 W1 /SI4 BrE AME nour [Language: Old English; Origin: sæ]

1. [uncountable and countable] *especially British English* the large area of salty water that covers much of the Earth's surface **SYN ocean**:

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- Jay stripped his clothes off and ran into the sea.
- Most exports went by sea.
- a little cottage by the sea
- He spent over 30 years at sea.
- They stood side by side looking out to sea.
- 2. [countable] a large area of salty water that is mostly enclosed by land:

the Mediterranean Sea

- 3. sea of something a very large number of people or things that all look similar:
  - He looked out at the sea of faces.
- 4. (all) at sea confused or not sure what to do:

Living in a foreign country can mean you're always at sea about what's going on.

**5. the seas** *literary* the sea – used especially when you are not talking about a particular ocean across the seas (=far away)

They came from lands across the seas.

6. [countable] one of the broad areas that seem flat on the moon and Mars

### **COLLOCATIONS**

## adjectives

- blue The sun shone brightly upon the clear blue sea.
- calm The sea was perfectly calm.
- rough (=with big waves) The sea was too rough to swim in.
- choppy (=with a lot of small waves) The wind was starting to pick up and the sea was becoming choppy. | The yachts bobbed around on the choppy sea.

- heavy seas (=a rough sea) The tanker split apart and sank in heavy seas.
- a stormy sea a picture of a battleship in a stormy sea
- the open sea (=the part of the sea that is far away from land) Rescuers are trying to drive the stranded whales back out into the open sea.
- the deep sea (=the water deep under the surface of the sea) The deep sea is the most unexplored area left on the planet.

#### verbs

- cross the sea Our ancestors crossed the sea in small boats.
- go to sea (=go to work on a ship) He went to sea when he was eighteen.
- put to sea (=sail a boat away from land) The refugees put to sea in rickety rafts.
- be lost at sea formal (=be drowned in the sea) His father had been lost at sea three months before.
- be swept out to sea (=be taken far away from land by the sea) They had to rescue three young canoeists who were swept out to sea.

#### sea + NOUN

- sea water Removing salt from sea water is an expensive process.
- a sea view All the bedrooms have a sea view.
- sea level Average sea levels are rising year on year.
- the sea air (=the air close to the sea) He breathed in the fresh sea air.
- the sea bed (also the sea floor) (=the land at the bottom of the sea) A lot of these small creatures feed on the sea bed.

# **THESAURUS**

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- the sea especially British English the large area of salty water that covers much of the Earth's surface: She lives by the sea. | The sea was very rough.
- the ocean *especially American English* the large area of salty water that covers much of the Earth's surface: a house by the ocean | The restaurant had a sweeping view of the ocean.
- waters a large area of water used about an area of water that belongs to a particular country, or when describing what the water is like: boats fishing in Canadian waters | British territorial waters | the calm waters of the harbour | dangerous waters | choppy waters (=with a lot of waves)
- bay an area of sea that is partly enclosed by a curve in the land: I swam across the bay. I the Bay of Biscay
- gulf a very large area of sea partly enclosed by land: the Gulf of Mexico | oil from the Gulf (=the area of water near Iran, Saudi Arabia etc)
- tide the regular rising and falling of the level of the sea: Is the tide going out or coming in ? | High tide (=when the sea is at its highest level) is at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. | low tide (=when the sea is at its lowest level) | The rocks are visible at low tide.
- wave a line of raised water that moves across the surface of the sea: The waves were crashing against the rocks.

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