

Activity One – say these words

Ship	Slip	Sh**
Sheep	Sleep	Sheet

Investigate – see the 'front vowels' page on this excellent site!
http://www.uiowa.edu/~acadtech/phonetics/english/frameset.html

Activity Two – 'ship' words

There are many words ending in the suffix 'ship'. Have you ever wondered what this suffix means?

The suffix was common in Old English, and is ultimately a form of the ancestor of the Modern English verb **shape**, in the sense 'to create; form'. It is unrelated to the word **ship** meaning 'a vessel, especially a large seagoing vessel'.

-ship is a suffix used to form nouns of state or condition, chiefly added to nouns and especially personal nouns. In Old English it was widely used with adjectives and participles, but only two of these survive (**hardship** and **worship**, from an adjective meaning 'worthy').

The uses can be divided into ever-finer distinctions, but there are some basic categories. It can denote 'quality; condition' (**kinship; friendship** 'the condition of being a relative/friend'). It can denote 'skill; act; power' (**scholarship** 'the acts of a scholar'; **horsemanship** 'the skill of a horseman'). It can denote 'number' (**readership; listenership** 'number of readers/listeners'). It can denote 'profession; office; position' (**professorship** 'the profession of a professor'). It can denote rank or title (**ladyship; lordship**). ***Source : Random House***

Here are the most common 'ship' words in order of their frequency of use:

1. relationship
2. ship
3. membership
4. leadership
5. championship
6. partnership
7. ownership
8. friendship
9. worship
10. sponsorship
11. lordship
12. scholarship
13. citizenship
14. fellowship
15. hardship
16. kinship
17. apprenticeship
18. dictatorship
19. township
20. chairmanship
21. censorship
22. readership
23. companionship

Activity Three – Gap Fill

Using words from the above list fill the gaps in the text.

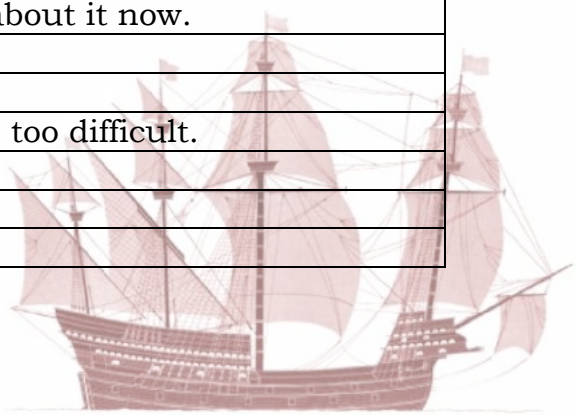
The best ..... are real ..... A mixture of a feeling of ....., shared experience and support even in times of ....., a real ....., working together to help each other through problems and sharing the good times as well.
I feel it's important to take responsibility in a ....., to take ..... of that ..... and that one is responsible for making it a successful ..... through good times and bad. I feel that one should cherish ones ..... and value all the time spent together. I friend is a precious ally and friends are the new family! You should not '.....'

your friends but they should be a big priority for you. You should be pleased for them when things go well, never jealous. Recently one of my friends obtained a ……. to one of the best Universities in America. Meanwhile my application for ……. has still not been answered. But I was pleased for him. We met while I was signing up for a new ……. at the local gym, he was competing in the local lightweight boxing championships and was working out a lot at the time. During my years of ……. of the ice hockey team I had learned a lot about training and I helped him to organize his daily routines. When he won the championship I really shared in his joy and satisfaction and this was the beginning of our real ……. A ……. based on sharing.

Activity Four - Connect the expressions to their definitions:

a. **To go down with the ship**
b. **Ship-Out**
c. **The Ship has sailed**
d. **Ship-shape**
e. **To desert a sinking ship**
f. **Ships that pass in the night.**

1
Individuals who are rarely in the same place at the same time. For example, Jan works the early shift and Paula the late shift—they're two ships that pass in the night. This metaphoric expression comes from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's poem “The Theologian's Tale” (published in Tales of a Wayside Inn, 1873).
2
Marked by meticulous order and neatness; tidy.
3
· Leave, especially for a distant place.
· Send, export, especially to a distant place.
· Quit a job or be fired.
4
It’s too late/The secret is out./Everybody knows about it now.
5
To leave a place or situation when things become too difficult.
6
To stay until the end even if things are difficult.



Activity Five – Gap Fill.

Dido – White Flag
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-fWDrZSiZs

I know you think that I ……
still love you,
Or tell you that.
But if I …… say it, well
…… still …… felt it
where's the sense in that?

I promise I'm not trying to make
your life harder
Or return to where we were

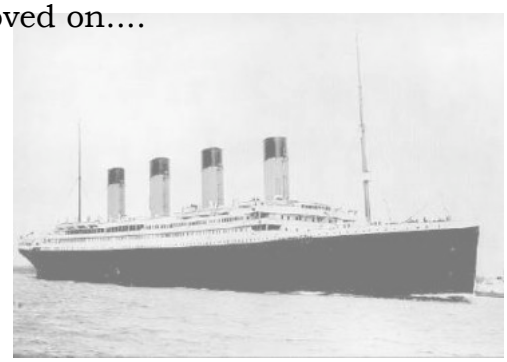
I will go down with this ship
And I won't put my hands up and
……
There will be no white flag above
my door
I'm in love and always will be

I know I left too much mess and
destruction to come back again
And I caused …… but trouble
I understand if you can't talk to me
again

And if you live by the rules of "it's
over"
then I'm sure that that makes
sense

I will go down with this ship
And I won't put my hands up and
surrender
There will be no white flag above
my door
I'm in love and always will be

And when we meet
Which I'm sure we will
All that was there
Will be there still
I'll let it pass
And …… my ……
And you will think
That I've moved on….
……



Activity Six - Video Ships

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDtVc3swF0U&feature=related

1)Small Talk On the Titanic (spoof)

1. What is the conversation about ?
2. What does Leonardo describe in detail ?
3. What does he promise he will do ?

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GD3QfJnn2-Y&feature=related

2)Titanic jjkmovies's – Watch the speedy movie and re-tell the story using as many 'ship' suffixes or ship expressions as possible !

