



Fort Rammekens, located by the entrance to the Western Scheldt, was built between 1547–1552. Fort Rammekens is the oldest Western European sea fortress that is still standing. The most important function of the fort, for much of its history, was to guard the shipping route to the harbors of Middelburg and Antwerp.

① Shipping terminology

What do the following shipping terms mean?

Choose from: the load of cannons and guns – front of the ship – raised back end of the ship – deadly illness due to lack of vitamins – ships kitchen – elaborately decorated back of the ship – side of the ship that is turned away from the wind – ship’s journal – heavy weights to keep the ship right side up – side the wind is coming from – closing the gaps – inexperienced sailors – right side of the ship – left side of the ship – large storage area

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| stern | | log book | |
| port | | leeward | |
| ballast | | ammunition | |
| prow | | hold | |
| caulking | | scurvy | |
| greenhorns | | transom | |
| galley | | starboard | |
| luff | | | |

② Chief steward's goods

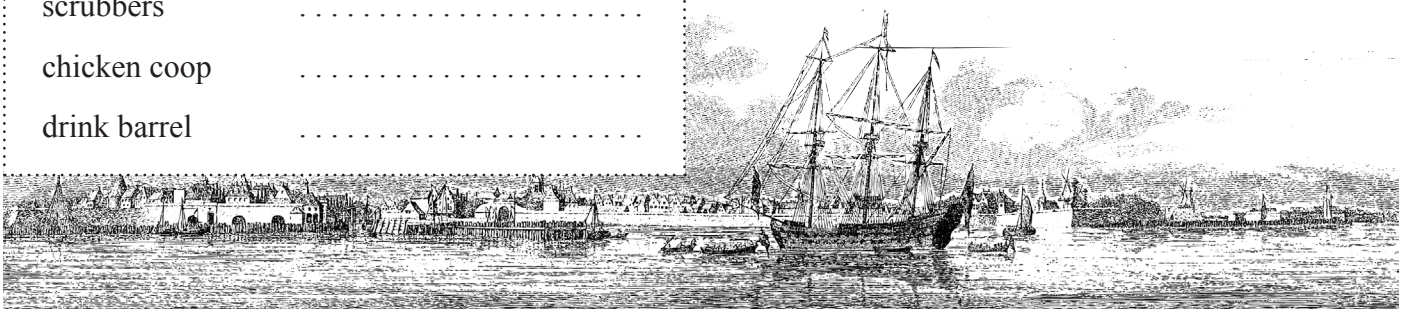
‘Chief steward’s goods’ were provisions: food, drink and objects relating to that. What was the purpose of the objects listed below?

- ballast baskets
- baptismal bowls
- sponges
- meat scale
- butter scale
- scrubbers
- chicken coop
- drink barrel

③ Two ways

In language some words have various meanings. Try to complete the sentence, choose from: back, teeth, lip, neck, nose, legs, arms, eye, foot

- The of a bottle.
- The of a table.
- The of a book.
- The of a needle.
- The of a mountain.



④ **Capitalization**

Read the sentences below and determine which words need to be capitalized. Write the words below each sentence.

1. in december and january it was very cold in the netherlands.

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2. there wasn't enough wind in zeeland for the unity to sail.

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3. after a few weeks the ship could be towed from the harbor of middelburg.

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4. the unity was pulled by horses through the channel of welzinge to fort rammekens.

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5. after three weeks there was enough wind and captain jan menkenveld gave the signal to depart.

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6. just like the captain, the surgeon petrus couperus, the first mate daniel pruijmelaar and the second mate johannes schutz are ready for departure.

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7. all crewmembers, including sailor roelof siebers and sailors mate herman laars have signed the article letter.

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⑤ **Word web**

Make a word web. Think of as many words as possible that are related to sailor.

Boat

SAILOR