

# Jackspeak for Kids

**Jackspeak** is the special language sailors use. It's not a **totally new** language because all the words are in English. It might sound funny to you, though, because its different to the English you speak. It's different than what I speak too, woof woof! Let's look at some examples.

<b>adrift</b>	late. Jack doesn't want to be adrift when his ship sails!
<b>buzz</b>	rumour
<b>cow juice</b>	milk
<b>drink</b>	the sea
<b>I could eat a cow between two bread vans</b>	Jack says this when he's really hungry
<b>electric ears</b>	headphones
<b>Fill yer boots!</b>	"Get stuck in!"; "Help yourself!"
<b>gash</b>	rubbish, trash
<b>housewife</b>	sewing kit
<b>limers</b>	soft drink
<b>mystery parcel</b>	meat pie
<b>nutty</b>	something sweet, e.g. candy or chocolate bar
<b>oggie</b>	the sea
<b>paraffin parrot</b>	helicopter
<b>pit</b>	bed, bunk or hammock. You're a pit rat if you love to spend time in the pit!
<b>rig</b>	uniform or clothes
<b>roger</b>	"okay." Jack says this when he's agreeing to something.
<b>scran</b>	food
<b>shipshape</b>	neat and tidy, like a sailor's uniform
<b>shrapnel</b>	coins, particularly foreign coins
<b>sprogs</b>	children
<b>tiddly</b>	when something is "tiddly" its cleaned and ready for inspection