



*A ship can transport
all kinds of things.*

An airplane pilot flies people or stuff through the air. A truck driver transports things on highways. But most transportation is done by ship, over water. There are different kinds of ships. Some carry passengers, cars, sand, wood, or grain. Others transport containers filled with all kinds of things. Besides passenger ships and cargo ships, there are cruise ships, sailboats, fishing vessels, and many more. It's the **ship captain**, also called the **skipper**, and the crew who steer a boat. Will you join us to see what they do?





The skipper of an inland vessel does all kinds of chores outside on the deck of the boat. This is done safely with work clothes and also shoes with a steel tip.

At sea, there are often very large ships that transport people or things all over the world. We call this **maritime transport**. Many people work on a seagoing vessel. Everyone has their own task on the ship. The captain is the boss. There are also boats that sail into a country on canals and rivers. That's called **inland transport**. On those boats, the captain, or skipper, wears a uniform and a captain's hat. The skipper often wears comfortable clothes to steer the boat, or work clothes and work shoes. Together with the sailors, the skipper does all kinds of chores. Of course, there are also life vests on board for safety.



the life vest

comfortable clothes
and shoes



the ship captain's hat



the captain's uniform: pants and jacket with four gold stripes (one of which has a curl), indicating the captain's rank