

## G 5.3 FISHING AND AQUACULTURE



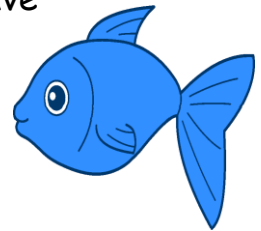
### G5.3.1

Fishing tools and boats used for fishing.

#### A. Fill in the blanks with the given words.

motor                      trolling                      decreased                      cliffs  
coasts                      sea                      hobby                      full-time

Malta and Gozo are islands surrounded by \_\_\_\_\_, for this reason fishing was always a means to earn a living for many Maltese and Gozitan people. We can say that today, due to a number of reasons, fishermen have \_\_\_\_\_ greatly. Nowadays, our country has around 400 \_\_\_\_\_ fishermen and around 500 more part-time.



However, at the same time, fishing as a \_\_\_\_\_ has increased a lot. At the end of the week you can see many small \_\_\_\_\_



boats that go fishing with traps, \_\_\_\_\_ or fishing rods. You can often see enthusiasts fishing with fishing rods along the \_\_\_\_\_ or hanging some traps from the \_\_\_\_\_.

Every full-time fisherman has an area of the sea where he can fish during the season.

B. Look at the pictures of the fishing boats and then work out the exercise given.



'Luzzu'



'Kajjikk'



'Skuna'

Fill in the blanks with the given words.

land	boats	equipment	dragging
illegal	<i>luzzu</i>	bad weather	<i>skuna</i>

The boats fishermen use to go fishing are called sea 'machines' or fishing \_\_\_\_\_ . Many different types of \_\_\_\_\_ are used to catch fish. The ones that are used the most are the \_\_\_\_\_ , the 'kajjikk' and the 'skuna'.

The 'luzzu' and the 'kajjikk' are used for fishing near \_\_\_\_\_ . When fishermen are going further away and staying longer at sea, they use the \_\_\_\_\_ . The 'skuna' is larger, has more space and withstands \_\_\_\_\_ better.



The 'skuna' is sometimes also called a trawler. These were used for \_\_\_\_\_ nets across the seabed and so catch a lot of fish. However, due to the damage that was being done to fish nests, this method is \_\_\_\_\_ nowadays, this means it is against the law, and so it cannot be used anymore.

**C. Mark the correct answer.**

1. When fishermen go fishing and spend a lot of days at sea, they use the (*skuna*, speedboat, yacht).
2. When fishing for Dorado (*lampuki*), they mostly use the (*luzzu*, trawler, yachts).
3. The Maltese village most famous for fishermen is (Mosta, Marsaxlokk, Bormla).
4. In (Marsaxlokk, Ċitadella, Fgura) fisherman have a sheltered inlet where they can bring in their *luzzijiet* and *kajjikki*.
5. When fishing near to the coast, fishermen use the (*kajjikk*, yacht, *skuna*).
6. Various enthusiasts go fishing using a (fishing rod, trap, hand net) for fishing close to shore.

**D. Answer these questions.**

1. What is the boat seen in the picture called?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Who uses this boat the most?

\_\_\_\_\_



3. How do the owners of this boat earn their living?

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4. Mention a village in Malta or Gozo where many boats like this can be seen.

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5. Why do think that with his work, the owner of this boat not only earns his living but also helps many other people?

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### E. Interviewing a Fisherman

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF THE INTERVIEW: \_\_\_\_\_



1. What is your job?

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2. For how long have you been doing this job?

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3. How did you start in this job?

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4. What tools do you use in your work?

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5. What fishing tools and machines do you use when you go fishing?

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6. What type of fish do you fish for the most?

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7. Since you work a lot at sea, I think you would be risking your life.  
Do you remember a time when you experienced a very bad storm?

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8. Do you think we still have many Maltese fishermen? Why do you think so?

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9. If you could start all-over, would you still choose to become a fisherman again? Why?

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**F. Match by filling the blanks with the given words.**

1. Both the prow and the stern are pointy. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The prow is pointy, whereas the stern is more flat. \_\_\_\_\_
3. A large boat is equipped with a lot of fishing facilities. \_\_\_\_\_
4. A sailing boat which is used for leisure purposes. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Used as a pleasure boat, it is very fast. \_\_\_\_\_

yacht

kajjikk

luzzu

skuna

speedboat