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**GRADES 9-12**

# **The Old Man and the Sea**

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**READ, WRITE, THINK, DISCUSS AND CONNECT**

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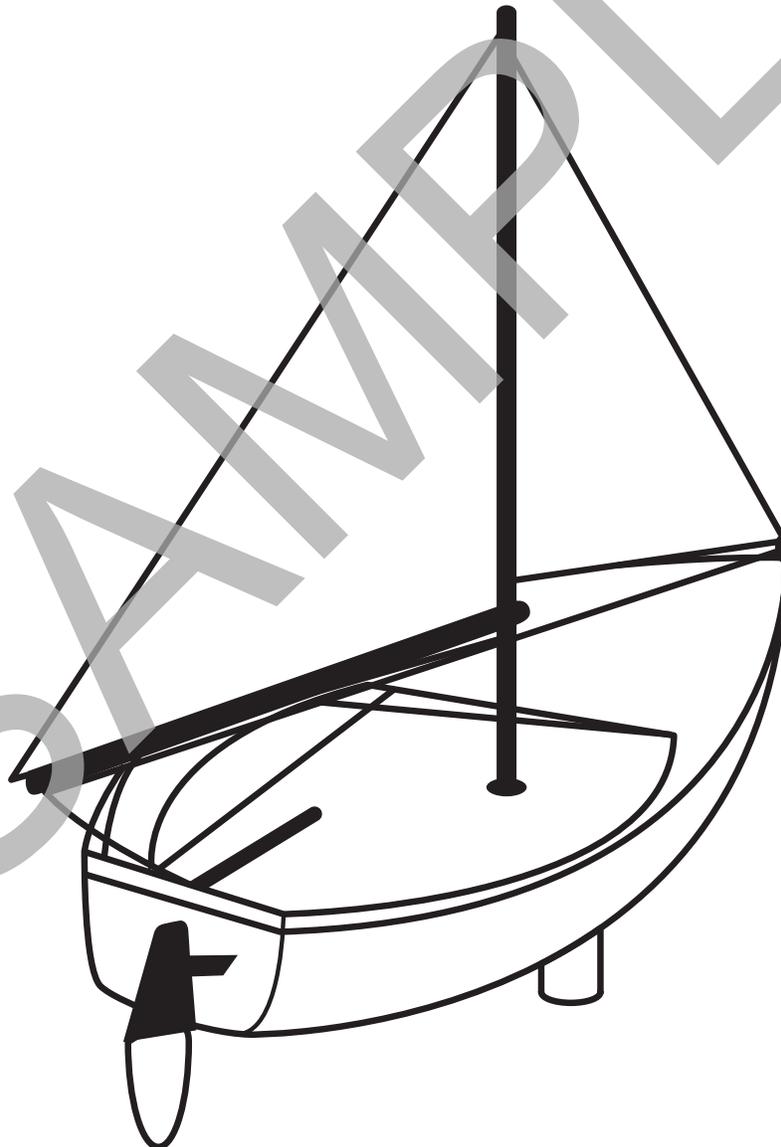
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*The Old Man and the Sea*  
Activity #3  
Sailboat Terms

In *The Old Man and the Sea*, you will encounter many terms having to do with Santiago's small sailboat. Use a reference book on boating to label the parts of the small sailboat below.

- Parts:**
- |           |           |             |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| mast      | bow       | stern       |
| ring bolt | jib       | boom        |
| tiller    | rudder    | centerboard |
| hull      | mainsheet |             |



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Activity #5  
Use After Reading

## Conflict

Conflict is central to all literature. Without conflict, there could be no story. There are four main types of conflict:

1. person against person
2. person against nature
3. person against society
4. person against self (inner conflict)

Think about the types of conflict in *The Old Man and the Sea* and give examples on the chart below.

Person Against Person	Person Against Nature
Person Against Society	Person Against Self

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Activity #11  
Study Guide: Pages 9-30

1. How long has the old man gone without catching a fish?
2. Why did the boy's parents tell him he couldn't fish with the old man any more?
3. What does the old man look like?
4. What is the old man's name?
5. What baseball team does Santiago like?
6. What player does Santiago admire most?
7. What does the old man dream about (page 24)?
8. What is the boy's name?
9. Why does Santiago like the flying fish?
10. What does Santiago think has a hard life? Why?
11. Why do some fishermen call the sea "El Mar"?
12. What was the old man's plan of the day (page 30)?