

## To the bottom of the ocean – Glossary

**being** noun [countable]

a person

*We are social beings as well as individuals.*

**blackness** noun [uncountable]

the quality of being completely black or completely dark

*She disappeared into the blackness of the night.*

**depth** noun [countable/uncountable]

the distance from the top to the bottom of something, for example the sea, a river or a hole  
*The pool ranges from one to four metres in depth.*

**director** noun [countable]

THEATRE, CINEMA someone who is in charge of making a film or programme, or getting a play ready for performance, especially by telling the actors and technical staff what to do

**discover** verb [transitive]

to find someone or something that was missing or hidden

*Police discovered his body on wasteland yesterday.*

**distance** noun [countable/uncountable]

the amount of space between two people or things  
*They started to walk the short distance to the camp.*

**documentary** noun [countable]

CINEMA a film or television programme that deals with real people and events

*She made a two-part documentary about the war in Kosovo.*

**film** noun [countable]

a series of moving pictures with sound that you can watch at the cinema or at home

*Have you seen the new James Bond film?*

**great** adjective

bigger or more than is usual

**human (being)** noun [countable]

a person

*The disease can be fatal in humans.*

**in comparison with** phrase

used for talking about the ways in which two people or things are different

*In comparison with the male, the female is stronger and more energetic.*

**made of/from** preposition

to consist of particular parts or things

*Her hat is made of cotton.*

**ocean floor** noun [usually singular]

the ground at the bottom of the sea

**one-man** adjective

designed for just one person

*a one-man tent*

**sink** verb [intransitive]

to disappear below the surface of the water

*Do you think the cork will float or sink?*

**steel** noun [uncountable]

a strong metal made from a mixture of iron and carbon

*The works produced a million tons of steel a year.*

**submarine** noun [countable]

a ship that can travel both on the surface of the water and under water

*a nuclear submarine*

**sunlight** noun [uncountable]

the light from the sun

*The contents of this bottle should not be exposed to direct sunlight.*

**surface** noun [countable]

the top layer of water or land

*We saw fish swimming just under the surface of the water.*

**wreck** noun [countable]

a ship that has sunk