

## **Fun and Interesting facts (Boat)**

### **1. Which is the oldest unearthed boat?**

The earliest boat, named [Pesse canoe](#), was a [prehistoric](#) boat. For the fabrication of the boat at that time, a hollow [pine tree](#) trunk was utilized. It is a boat from [the Mesolithic period](#), between 8200 and 7600 BC. It is about a 10000-year-old boat. [Fossils](#) of a Pesse canoe boat were found at the time of the trenching of roads in the [Netherlands](#). Actually, in 1955, the road was trenched for the construction of a highway. Pesse canoe is retained at the [Drents Museum in Assen](#), Netherlands.

### **2. When was sailing introduced at the Olympic Games for the first time?**

[Sailing](#) was first contested in the [1900 Paris Olympic Games](#). From its inclusion in the Olympic Games, [sailing](#) has been a vital part except only in 1904, when it was excluded from the [St Louis](#) Olympic games. It is an open event where men and women compete together.

### **3. Do you know the name of the country that won the highest number of gold medals in sailing?**

The highest [gold medals in sailing](#) are won by Great Britain. [Great Britain](#) is indeed the most successful country in sailing at the Olympics, with 66 medals.(till 2024).

### **4. How to distinguish a boat from a ship?**

When compared to [boats](#), [ships](#) are bigger. Ships are fabricated for long distances while traveling along the [ocean](#). As compared to ships, boats are relatively small. Boats are utilized when there is short distance travel or in [coastal regions](#).

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