

# sailing the boat /4/ shirt off or deal's off

**Rachel:** No, I did not see the bird! I did not see the fish! I did not see the piece of Styrofoam that was **shaped like** Mike Tyson, **either!** I did not, because I was trying to **teach** you **how to** sail a boat! **Which obviously is an impossible thing to do!**

**Joey:** All right, **that's it!** You're yelling and I don't **see you taking your shirt off!** I quit!

**Rachel:** **What do you mean** you quit?! You can't quit **just like that!** **You're not done** yet and I **won't have it!** Greens do not quit! ... Oh my God, did I just say Greens don't quit?! Oh God, I'm my father. **I've been trying so hard not to be** my mother I did not **see this coming.** Joey, I'm sorry. I just wanted you to learn.

**Joey:** I **did learn.** I know **what a mainsail is.** I know to **duck** when the big pole comes across. I know port is right.

**Rachel:** Left.

**Joey:** **Dammit!**

*Rachel flipped out when it turned out that Joey had not been paying attention the whole time she talked ... she was too busy teaching Joey how a boat works to notice a funny-shaped piece of Styrofoam floating by ... Joey threatened to quit unless Rachel took her shirt off ... it was becoming clear that Joey couldn't be taught ... Rachel was shocked to realize that she was turning into her father ... when in fact she was worried about turning into her mother ... her dad used to say things like that. when she was a kid he would take her out on the boat and didn't cut her any slack, in fact he was harder on her than he would have been on any other kid*