TRUE MEANINGS

Directions:
The people on the island of Back o’ the Moon say things differently than we do. Try to figure out what each sentence means then rewrite the sentence replacing the strange words or phrases with ones more familiar to you. For an extra clue look back at the pages listed to help you.

1. “You’ll meet Amos. He’s a crousty rogue, but not bad once you get to know him.” Page 7
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2. “And what’s the idea of trippin’ me in town today with your clumsy spaug?” Page 19
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3. “Amos is a snapper – a skilled fisherman- even though he’s somewhat of a bullamarue.”
   Page 25 _____________________________________________________
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4. “It’s a puzzlement how the dog was out there in the sea with not another boat in sight.”
   Page 40 _____________________________________________________
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5. “We got to find out once and for all what’s ailin’ you, and why you’re heavin’ your stomach every day.” Page 54 ____________
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6. “I feel like a jinker. I’ve brought nothin’ but bad luck since I came.”
   Page 73 _____________________________________________________
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Just For Fun
Come up with your own new word. Write a definition for your word and use it in a sentence.
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