Learning Support

The Mermaid

- 1. What was the story about? **Retell** it in your own words.
- 2. Number the sentences in the correct order.

Joseph lifted her in his arms and carried her out to sea.

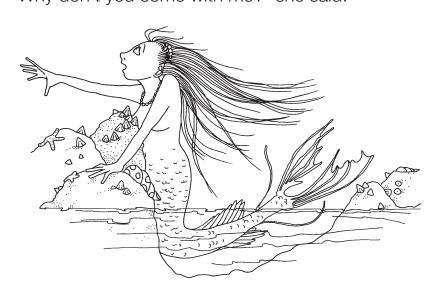
Joseph said no. He wanted to stay on dry land.

One day, Joseph heard a cry for help.

"Help me back to the sea, or I will surely die," she cried.

A beautiful mermaid was stranded in a rock pool.

"Why don't you come with me?" she said.



3. Join up the words with the opposite meaning

mermaid important false cried

pushing tiny pulling merman

unimportant true laughed huge

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4. Read these sentences and answer True or False.

The mermaid gave Joseph a pearl comb.	
She promised to come if he combed his hair with it.	
Joseph told no one about the mermaid.	
One night, a boat was wrecked in a storm.	
Joseph rowed his tiny boat out to sea.	
The villagers helped him rescue all the sailors.	
Then Joseph rowed back and dived into the sea.	

5. Here are two pictures from the story. Write about what is **happening** in each picture.

