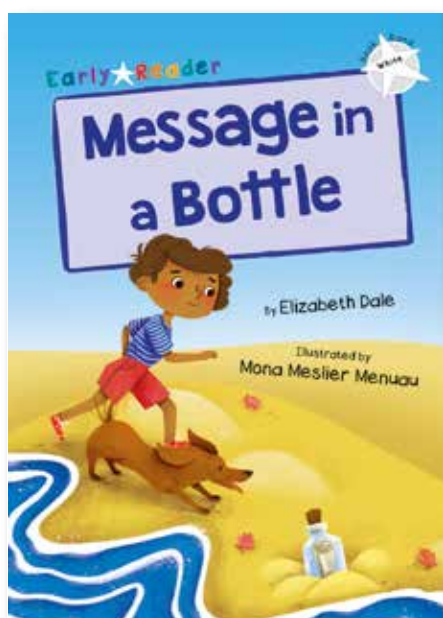


Maverick Activity Pack

What is a Maverick Activity Pack?

This activity pack is for teachers and parents to help build comprehension and engagement when guiding their students and children in their reading journey. There are many activities in this pack that can be used alongside our Early Reader stories to encourage children to get stuck in after enjoying the story.

This Activity Pack is for:



Message in a Bottle Early Reader
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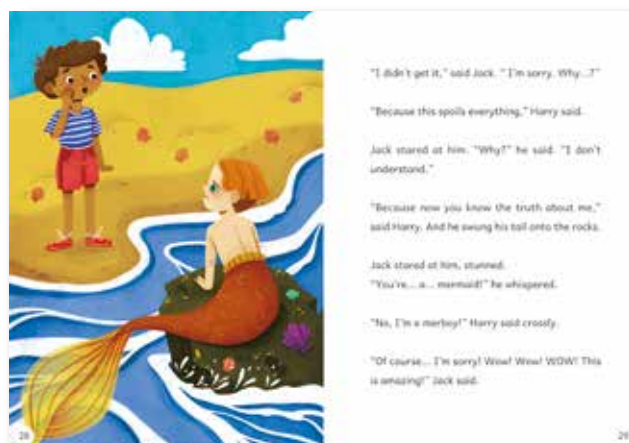
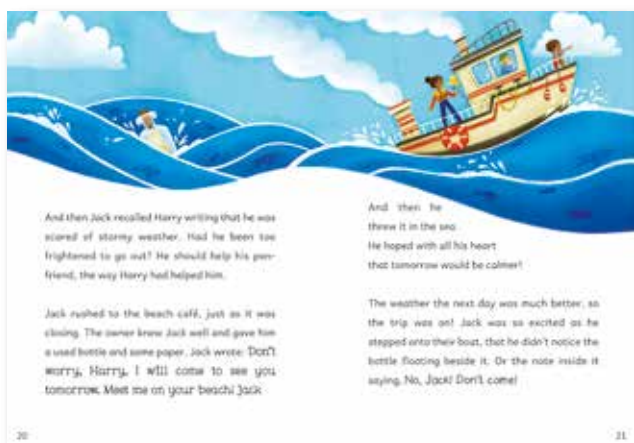
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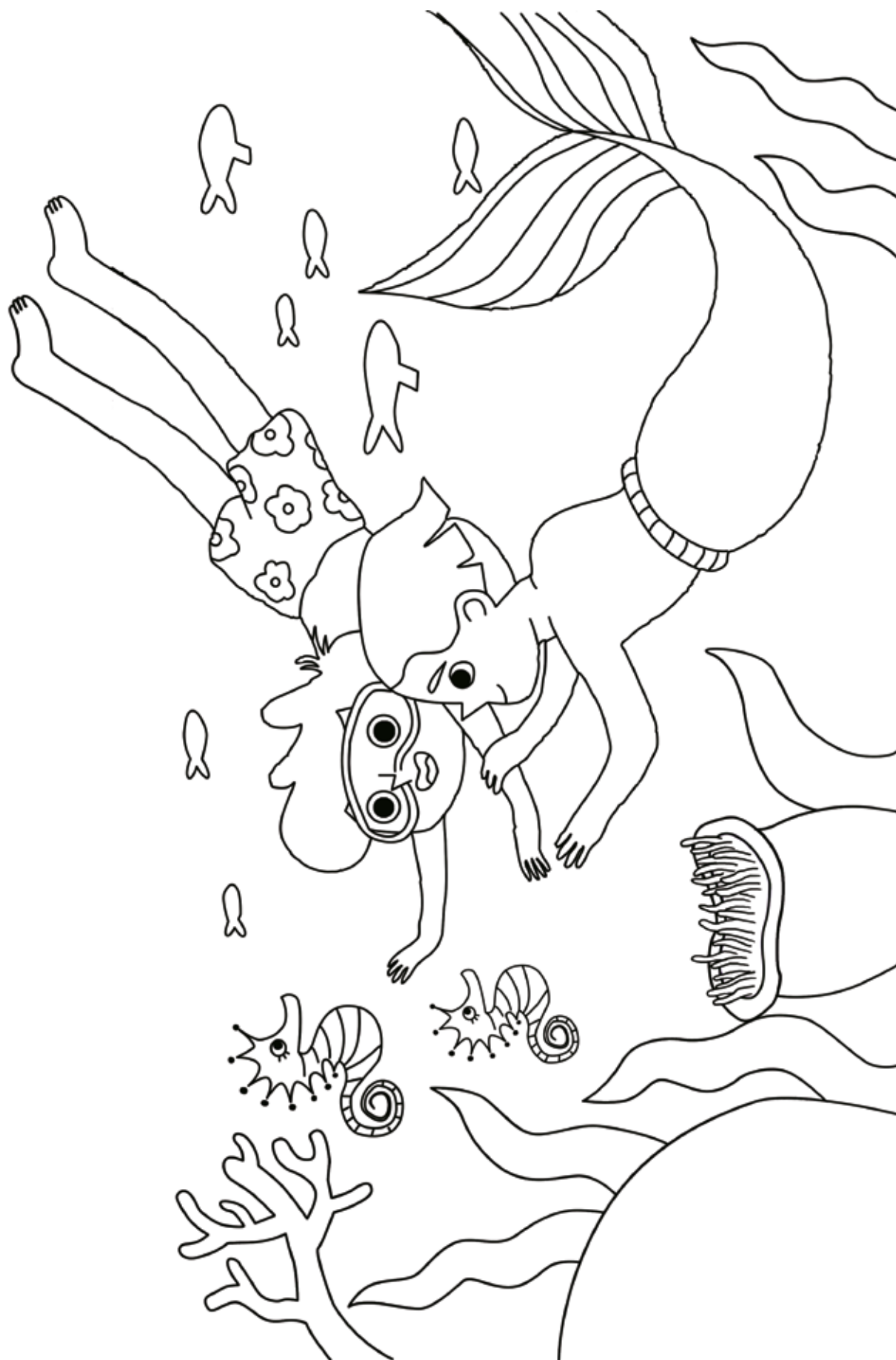
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Jack and Harry send messages in bottles to each other, across the sea. They are best friends, and share all their worries and jokes with one another. Only, one day, Harry's bottles stop coming. Jack decides to go visit him but he may end up having quite a shock!



Colour Me In!



Fill in the Gaps

Can you remember the words from the story?

1. A _____ was lying next to Toby on the _____.

bottle / sand rock / sand bottle / rocks

2. Harry wouldn't want to be his _____ anymore! Not after reading what a _____ he was.

rival / star friend / coward friend / meanie

3. He was asked to play the part of someone who was _____ of _____.

frightened / dogs scared / auditions terrified / ghosts

4. And then one day, he had a _____.

brilliant idea fantastic plan confusing thought

5. Maybe the bottle had smashed on a _____ in the _____?

rock / gale cliff / sea cliff / storm

6. "No, I'm a _____," _____ said crossly.

fish / Harry mermaid / Jack merboy / Harry

Quiz

1. How do Jack and Harry write to one another?

- a) By putting their letters in a bottle
- b) By post
- c) By email

2. What is Jack scared of doing at first?

- a) Doing a triple summersault
- b) Auditioning for the school play
- c) Taking a test

3. Where does Harry live?

- a) Shell Island
- b) Fish Tail Cove
- c) Pearl Cliff

4. What does Harry's lost message say?

- a) Let's go fishing!
- b) See you soon, Jack!
- c) No, Jack! Don't come!

5. What does Jack find out about Harry in the end?

- a) That they go to the same school
- b) That he lives in a cave
- c) That he's a merboy

Word Search

o	i	t	m	s	w	i	m	m	i	n	g	k	j	m
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Words:

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| <input type="radio"/> auditions | <input type="radio"/> friend | <input type="radio"/> shell |
| <input type="radio"/> beach | <input type="radio"/> merboy | <input type="radio"/> stormy |
| <input type="radio"/> boat | <input type="radio"/> message | <input type="radio"/> swimming |
| <input type="radio"/> bottle | <input type="radio"/> seahorse | <input type="radio"/> uninhabited |

Write Your Own Story

Write your own story using the characters in the book.

[illegible]

Answers

Fill in the gaps:

1. bottle / sand
2. friend / coward
3. terrified / ghosts
4. brilliant idea
5. rock / gale
6. merboy / Harry

Quiz:

1. a
2. b
3. a
4. c
5. c

Wordsearch:

o	i	t	m	s	w	i	m	m	i	n	g	k	j	m
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