

Surfing Summer

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Level 6 – Orange

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Helpful Hints for Reading at Home

The graphemes (written letters) and phonemes (units of sound) used throughout this series are aligned with Letters and Sounds. This offers a consistent approach to learning whether reading at home or in the classroom.

HERE IS A LIST OF PHONEMES FOR THIS PHASE OF LEARNING. AN EXAMPLE OF THE PRONUNCIATION CAN BE FOUND IN BRACKETS.

Phase 5			
ay (day)	ou (out)	ie (tie)	ea (eat)
oy (boy)	ir (girl)	ue (blue)	aw (saw)
wh (when)	ph (photo)	ew (new)	oe (toe)
au (Paul)	a_e (make)	e_e (these)	i_e (like)
o_e (home)	u_e (rule)		

Phase 5 Alternative Pronunciations of Graphemes			
a (hat, what)	e (bed, she)	i (fin, find)	o (hot, so, other)
u (but, unit)	c (cat, cent)	g (got, giant)	ow (cow, blow)
ie (tied, field)	ea (eat, bread)	er (farmer, herb)	ch (chin, school, chef)
y (yes, by, very)	ou (out, shoulder, could, you)		

HERE ARE SOME WORDS WHICH YOUR CHILD MAY FIND TRICKY.

Phase 5 Tricky Words			
oh	their	people	Mr
Mrs	looked	called	asked
could			

TOP TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR CHILD TO READ:

- Allow children time to break down unfamiliar words into units of sound and then encourage children to string these sounds together to create the word.
- Encourage your child to point out any focus phonics when they are used.
- Read through the book more than once to grow confidence.
- Ask simple questions about the text to assess understanding.
- Encourage children to use illustrations as prompts.

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Deep underwater, there was a mermaid called Jarva.



Jarva was clever. She cared about everybody, and people came to her for help. Jarva was good at making spells. She had a workshop in an underwater cave.



Jarva was hard at work making a spell, when Summer burst into the workshop.



“Jarva! I need your help,” said Summer, in a rush.

“What’s the matter, Summer?” said Jarva.



“I wish I was at the top! I wish to go up onto land and be like the people there,” said Summer.



“Have you ever seen a surfer? I wish I was a surfer, just like them! I wish I had my own surf gear,” said Summer.



“Summer, that will be a hard spell because you belong underwater, not out of water as a surfer!” said Jarva.



“You are so clever, and I’m so boring! Please help me?” Summer asked.

“Okay, I will check inside my spell book,” said Jarva.



Jarva went up a ladder in the workshop to get her spell book. Her spell book had spells to turn snails into fast swimmers and to make fish have hair.



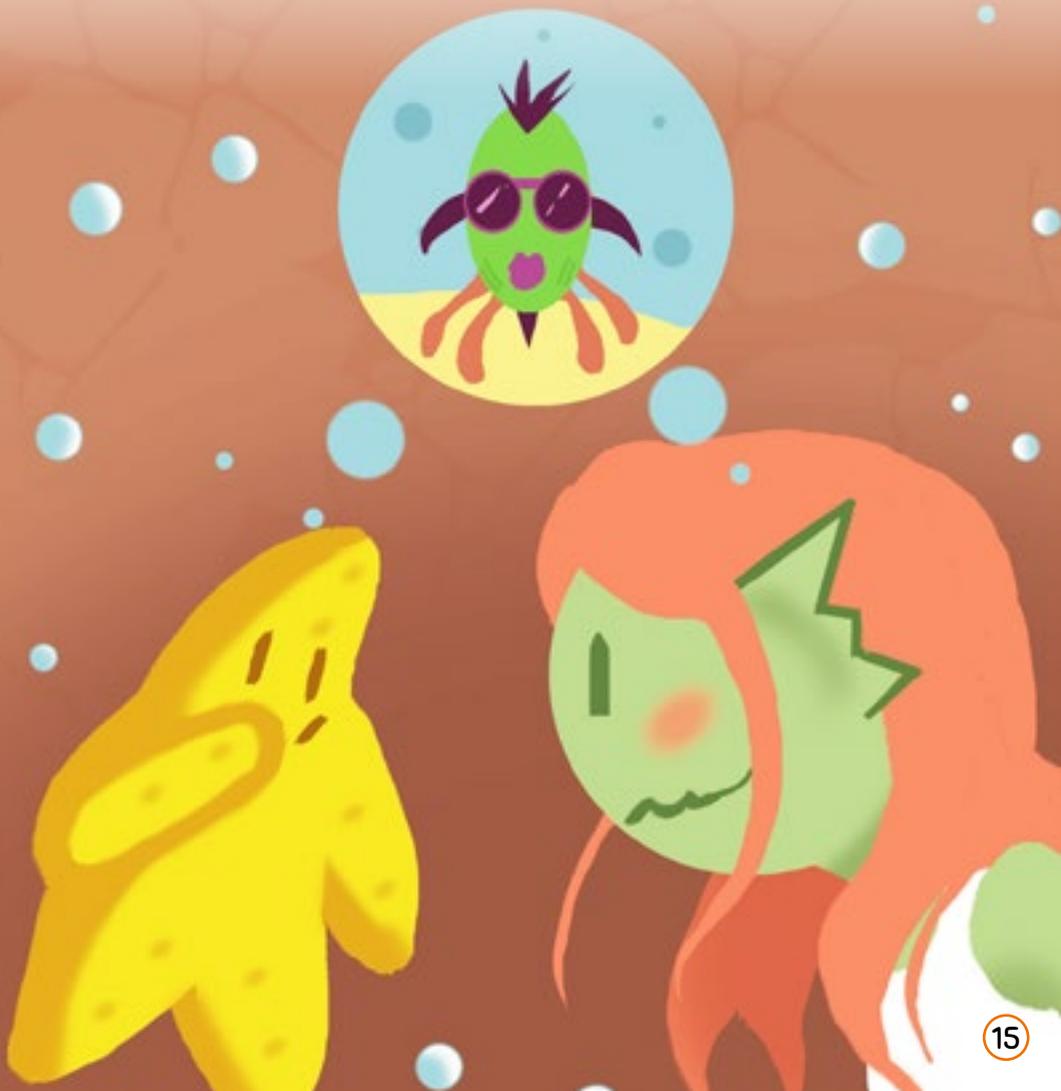
“Let’s have a look inside and see what can turn you into the coolest surfer ever,” said Jarva.



“To turn you into a surfer, we need things from the land. We need shells filled with sand and a ripe grape,” said Jarva, reading from the book.



“What is a ripe grape,” Summer asked.
“I have never seen a ripe grape,” admitted Jarva.



“I’m a fast swimmer as I have a big tail, but I’m a rubbish runner,” Jarva said. “I need my yellow hood so that people cannot see me on the sand.”



“Do not let people see you when you go to get the shells and the grape,” said Summer.



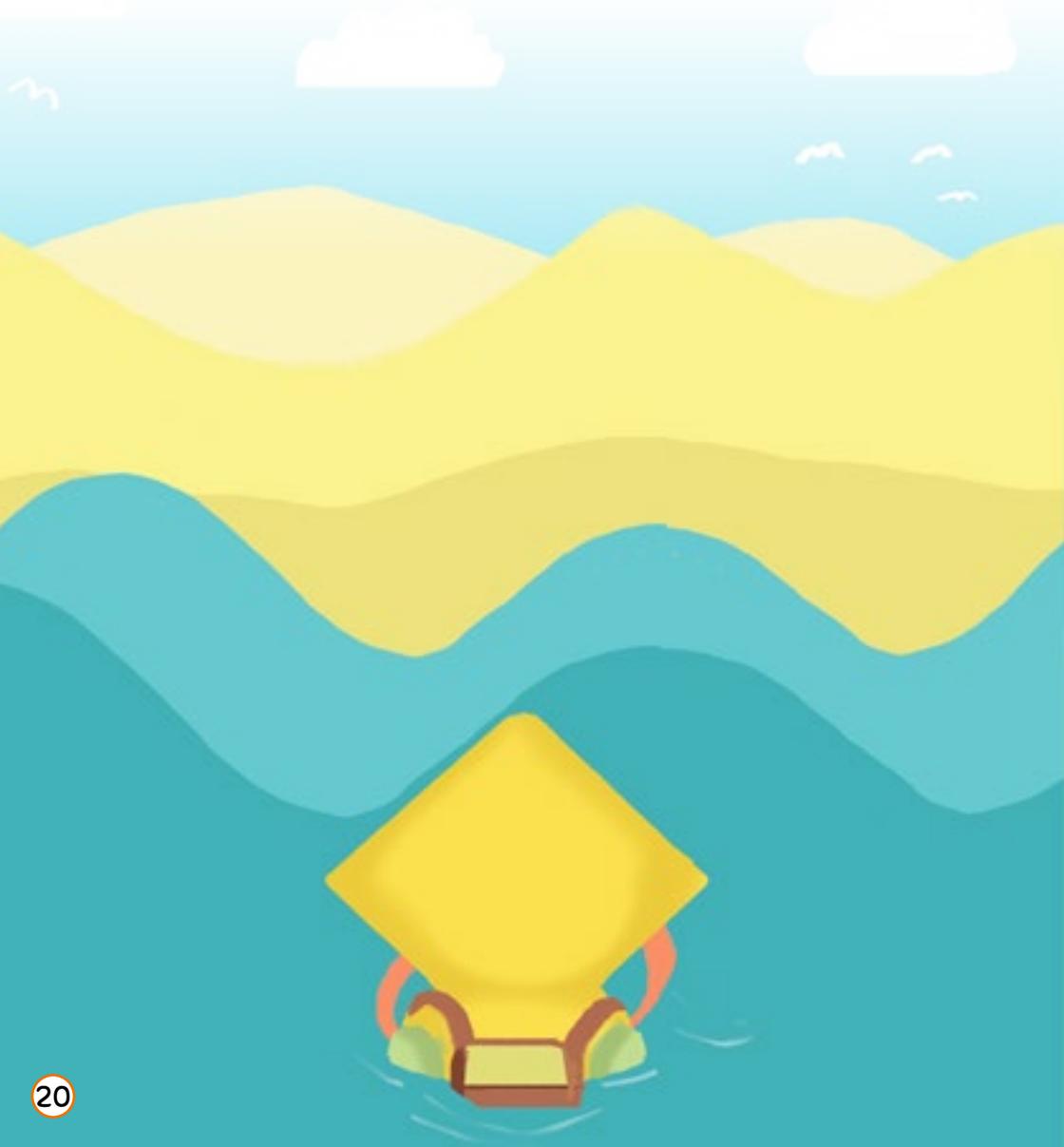
Jarva swam out of her workshop. She was a super-fast swimmer. She swam past lots of fish and she saw fish having lunch. She swam higher and higher and higher.



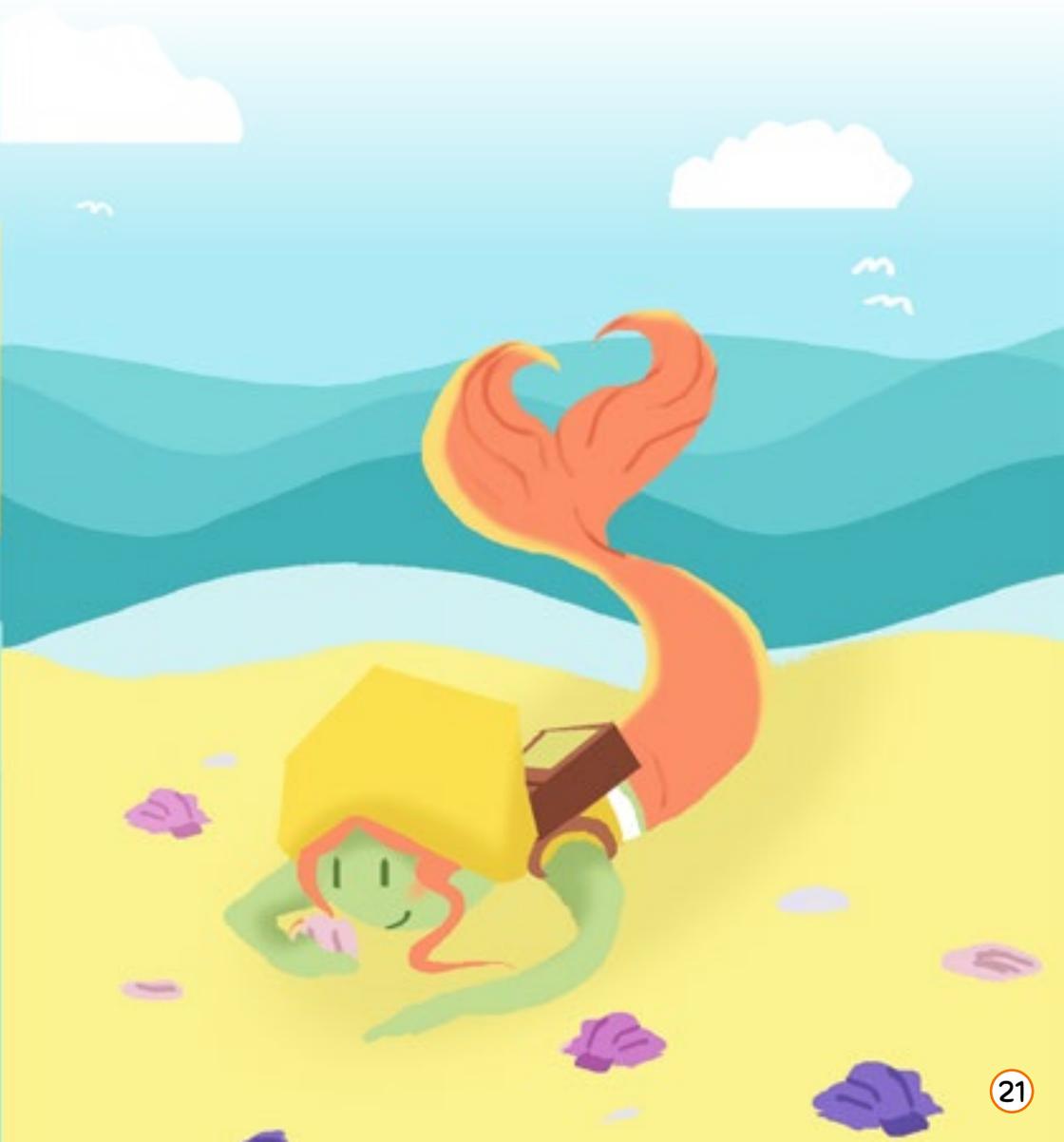
Soon the summer sunlight was in Jarva's sight.
Jarva had a peep on top of the water.



The surf of the water brushed her face. She saw lots of sand in front of her. There were no people on the sand. She wanted to get a look at a surfer.



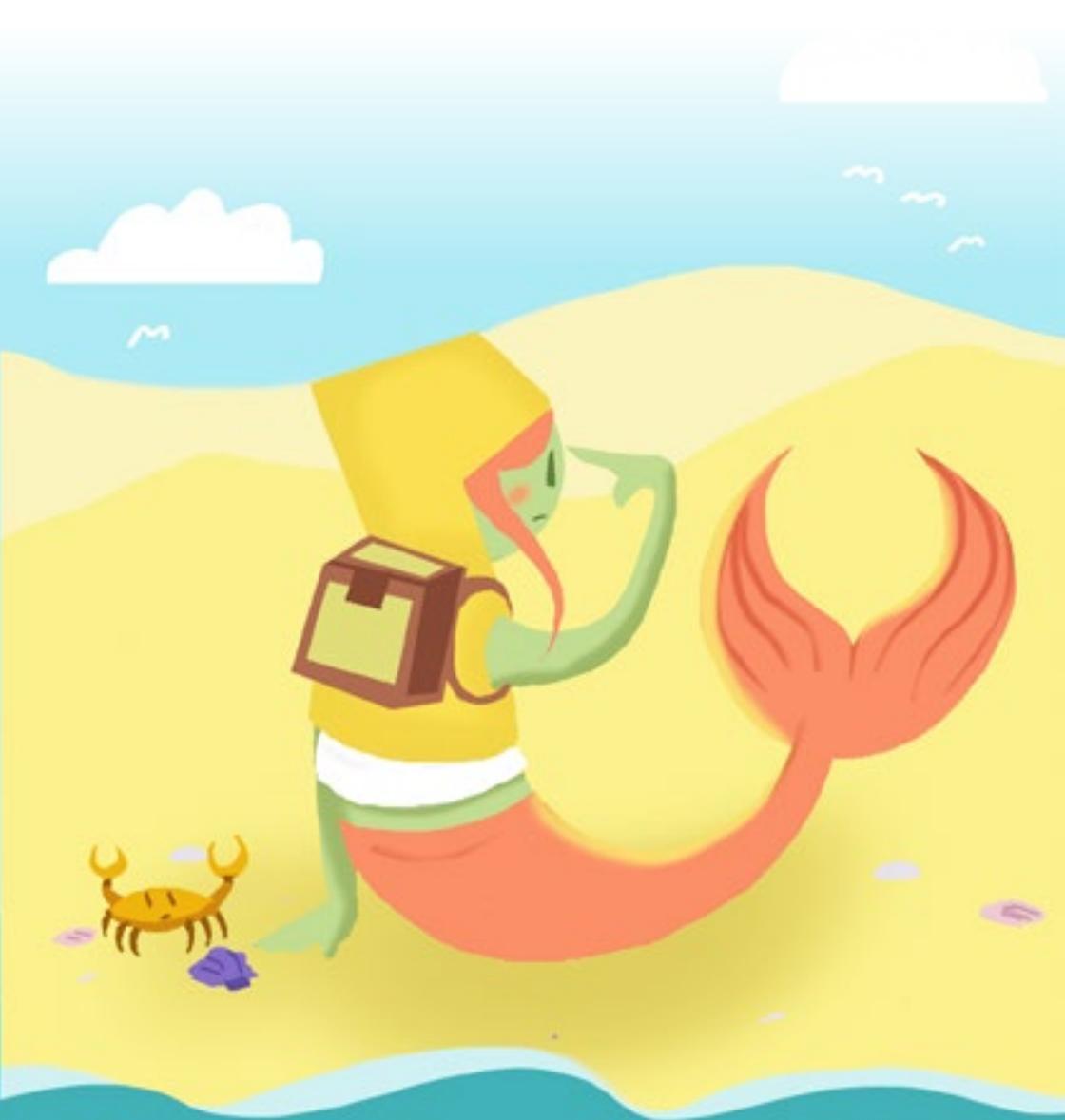
Jarva swam and curled her way through the water to the sand. She started looking for shells.



“This is perfect. There are lots of shells here. This is just what I need to turn Summer into a surfer,” thought Jarva.



“Next, I need to find the ripe grape.
But what is a ripe grape?”
Jarva wanted to ask somebody for help.



“A mermaid!” somebody called out.

“Oh no, I’ve been seen!”

Jarva rolled on the sand, struggling to hide.



A tall man walked up to Jarva. "What is a mermaid doing on the sand and not in the water?"

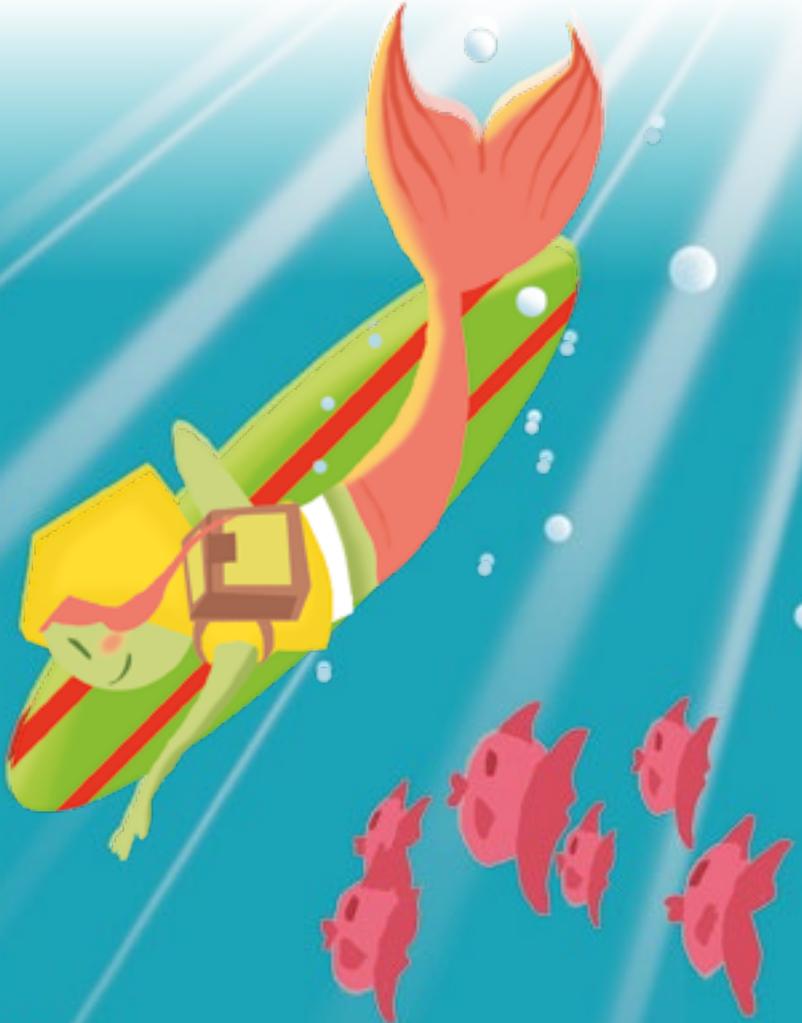


“I’m collecting things for a spell! My friend asked to be a surfer,” Jarva said.

“Spell? To be a surfer, all you need is my surf gear! Here, take this!” the surfer said.



“Thanks!” Jarva replied. She took the surf gear and dived into the water. She swam faster than ever to get to Summer.



“Summer, look! I met a surfer!” Jarva said as she entered the workshop. “This surf gear is for you. It keeps floating away though, so we have to keep it in the sand.”



“Wow! Thanks Jarva!” said Summer.

“You are an amazing swimmer, Summer! You can be the first underwater surfer!” said Jarva.



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1. Where was Jarva's workshop?
2. What did Jarva need from the land to turn Summer into a surfer?
 - (a) Shells and a ripe grape
 - (b) Leaves and a potato
 - (c) Sand and a cabbage
3. What did the man think when he saw Jarva on the sand?
4. Where did Jarva tell Summer to keep the surf gear?
5. How do you think Summer felt about Jarva bringing surf gear back? If you were Jarva, would you have gone to the land for Summer?

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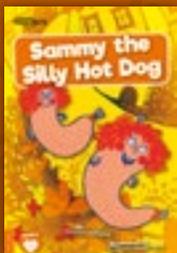
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