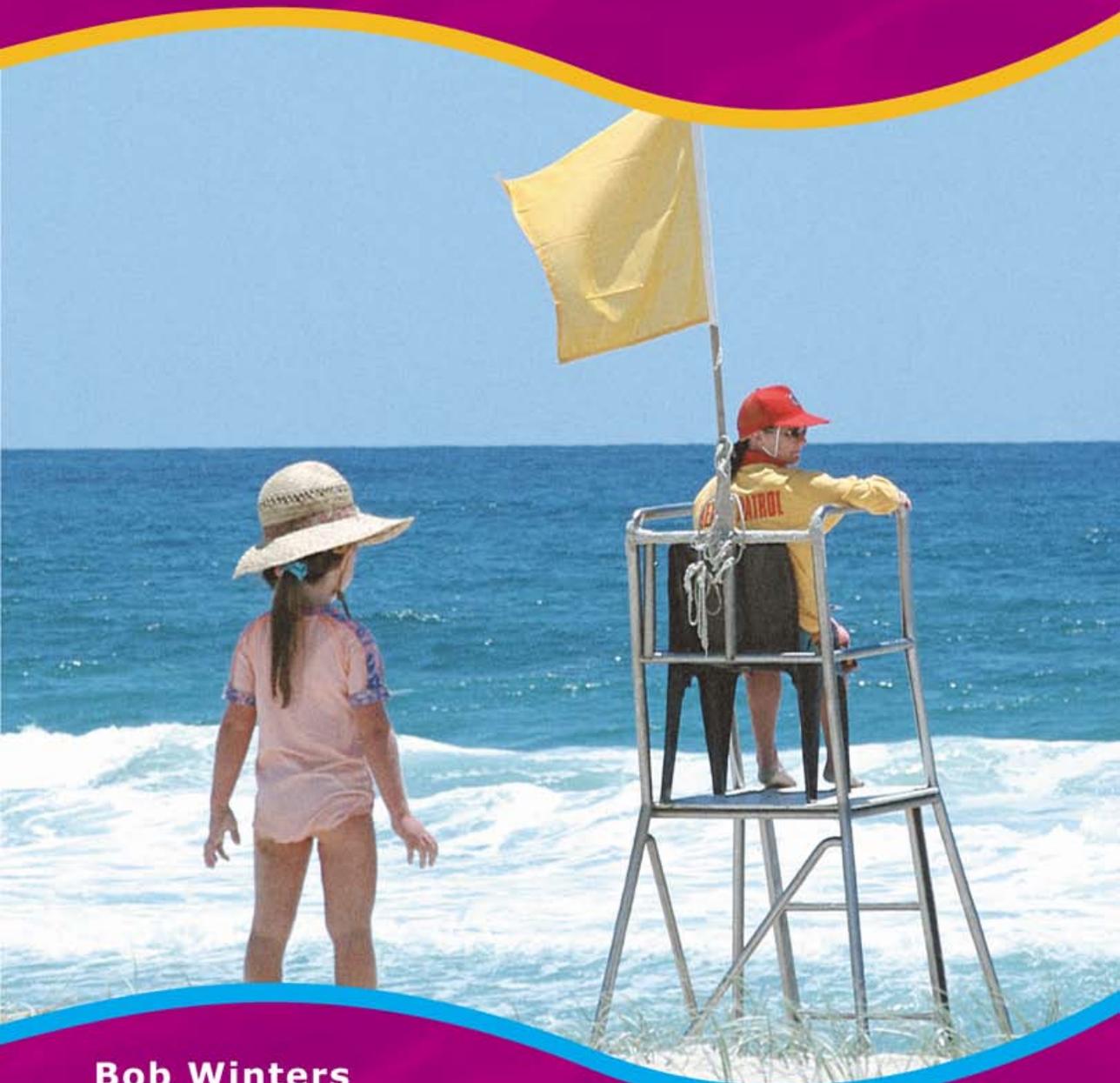




Marine Reader Series

Be Safe at the Beach



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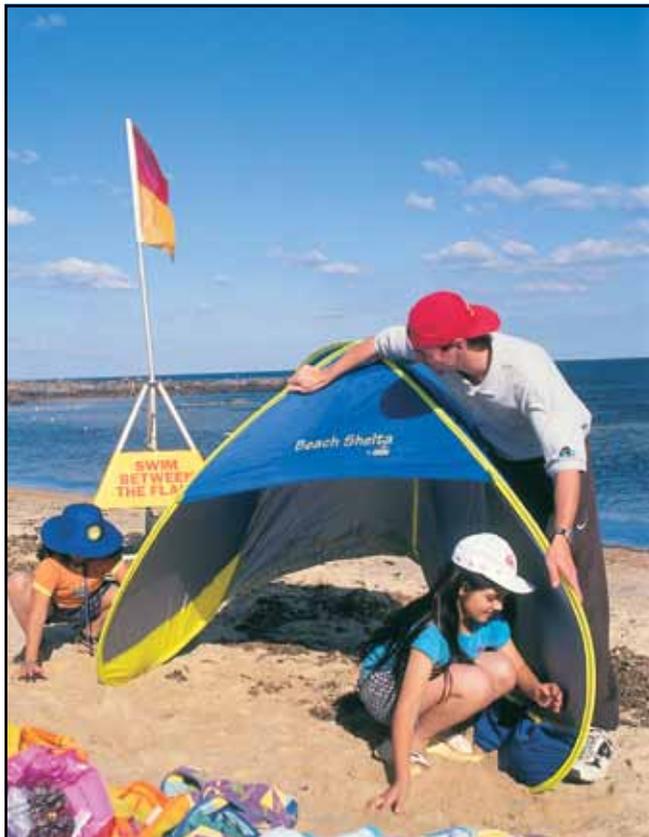
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A visit to the beach

Today we are going to the beach with Dad. He makes sure we wear our sandals. The hot stones may burn our feet.



Down the track

On the way down to the beach Dad looks for a safe place to swim. We wear our hats and carry our beach things.





Making shade

We always swim between the flags.

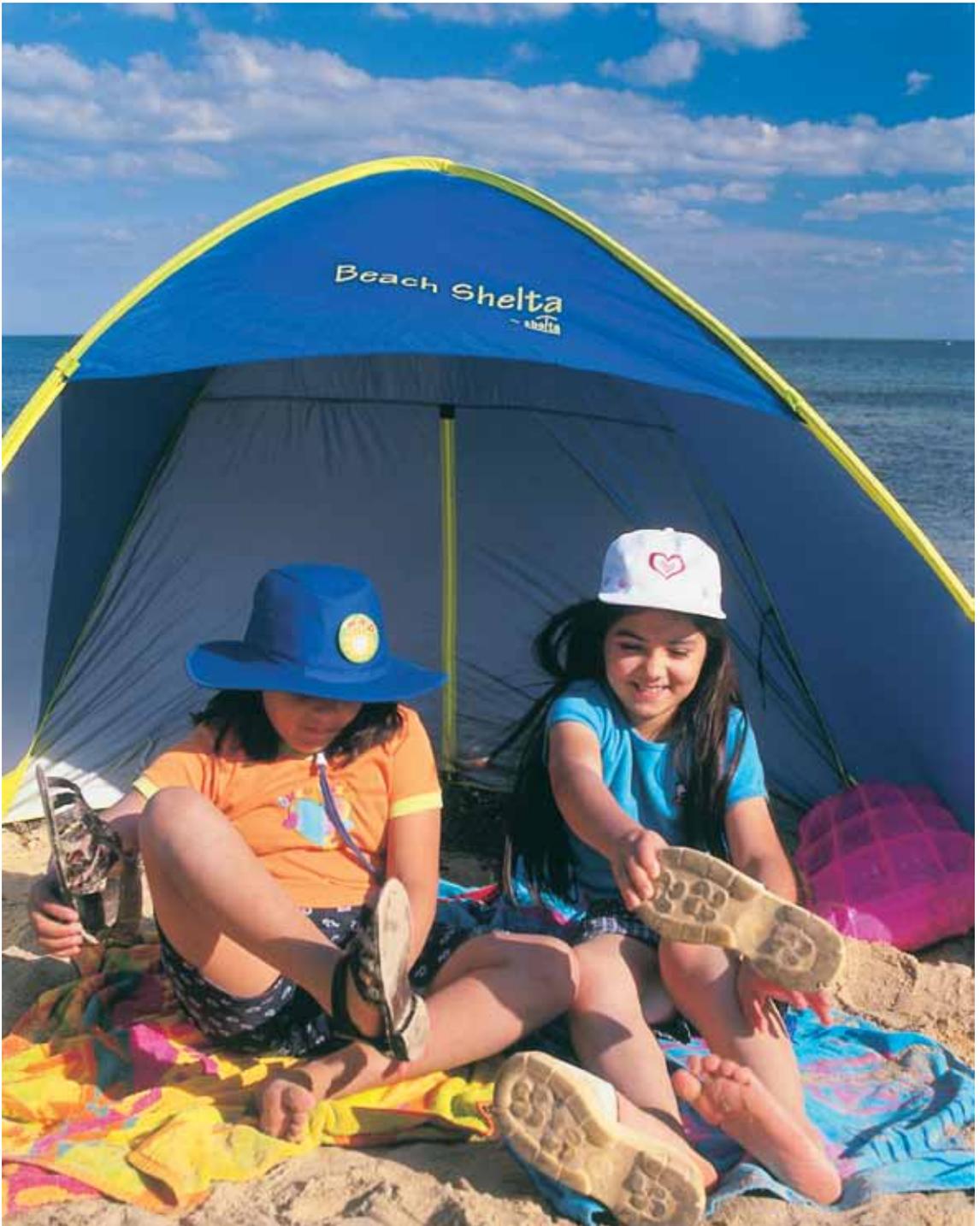
We put our towels on the sand and put up our shade tent. We make sure it can't blow away.

Sunscreen

Our hats and sunscreen protect us from the sun.

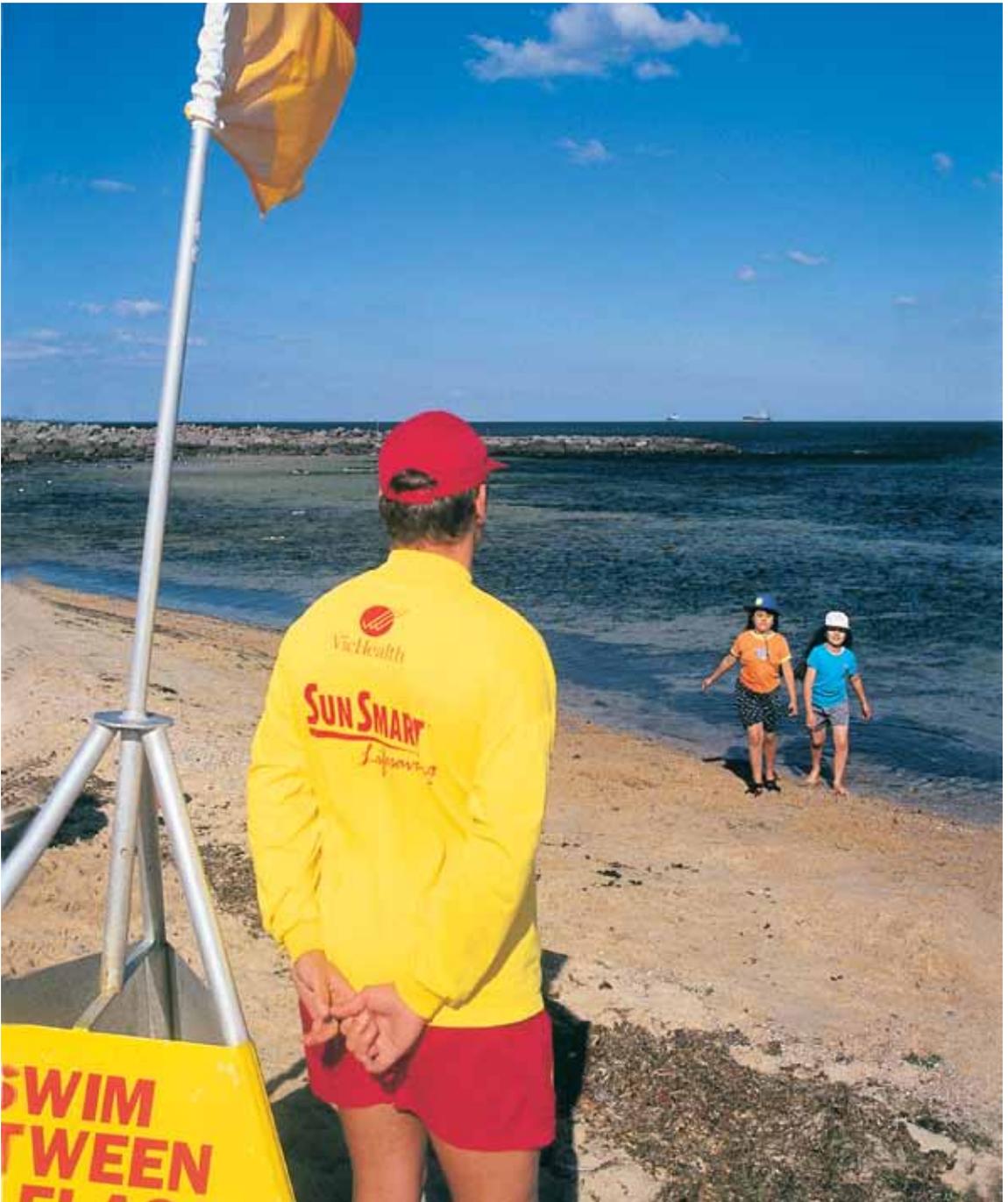
We are going to have a fun day!





Bare feet

Now we can take off our sandals! We want to get our feet wet. We want to look for fish in the water.

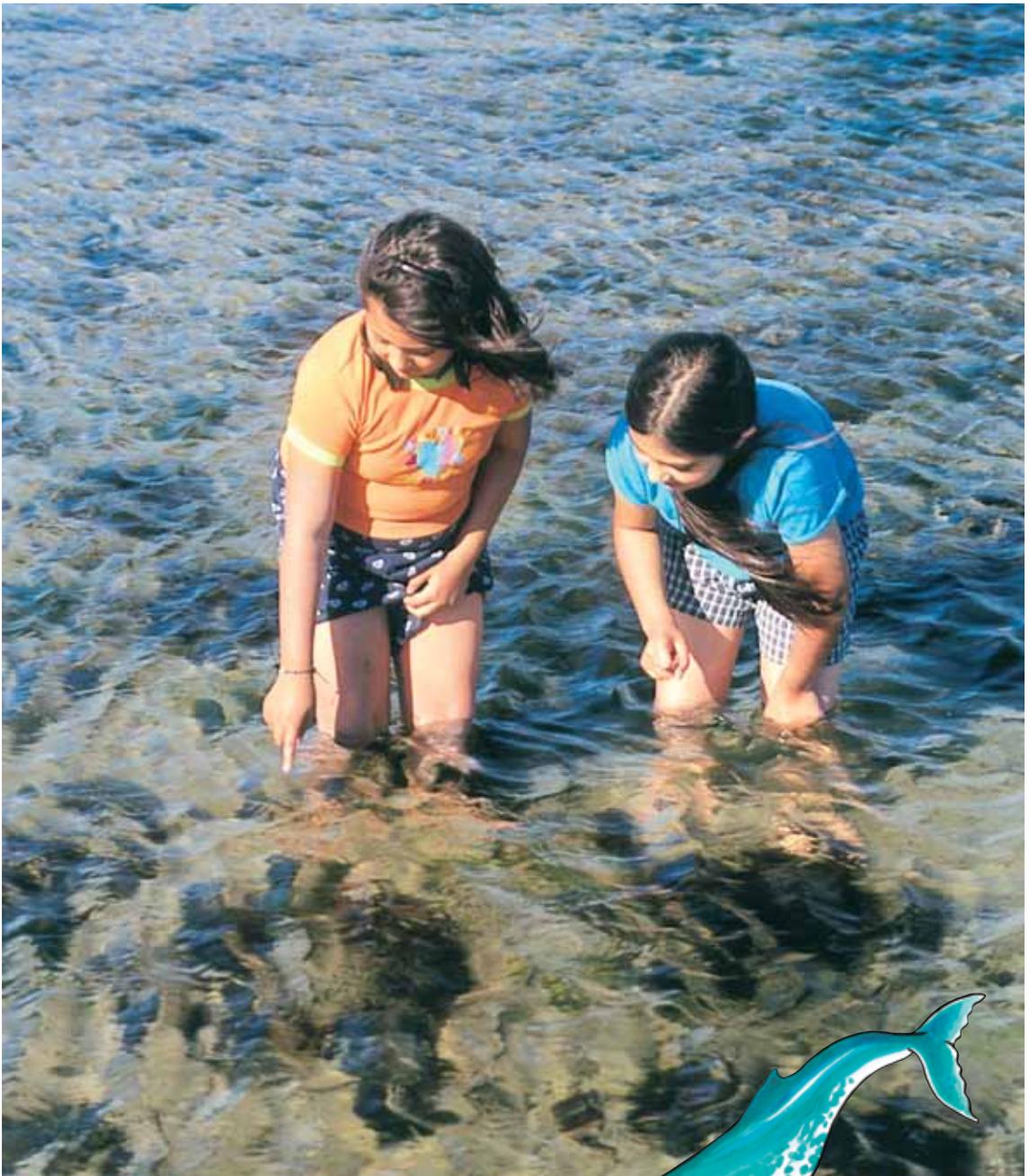


Flags

The lifesaver watches us as we walk along the beach. Lifesavers also make sure people swim between the flags. Can you swim?

Fish everywhere

Look down there. Is that a school of fish?



A school of fish is a group of fish swimming together.



Look there!

Hey, there's a dog on the beach. Let's go and have a look.

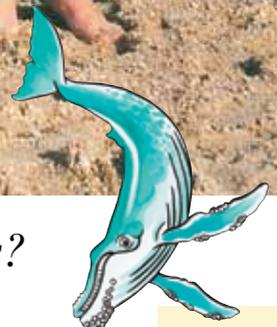
Dogs

We don't know the dog. We don't pat her because some dogs bite.

I can hear Dad calling. Let's go and get our hats and shoes back on.

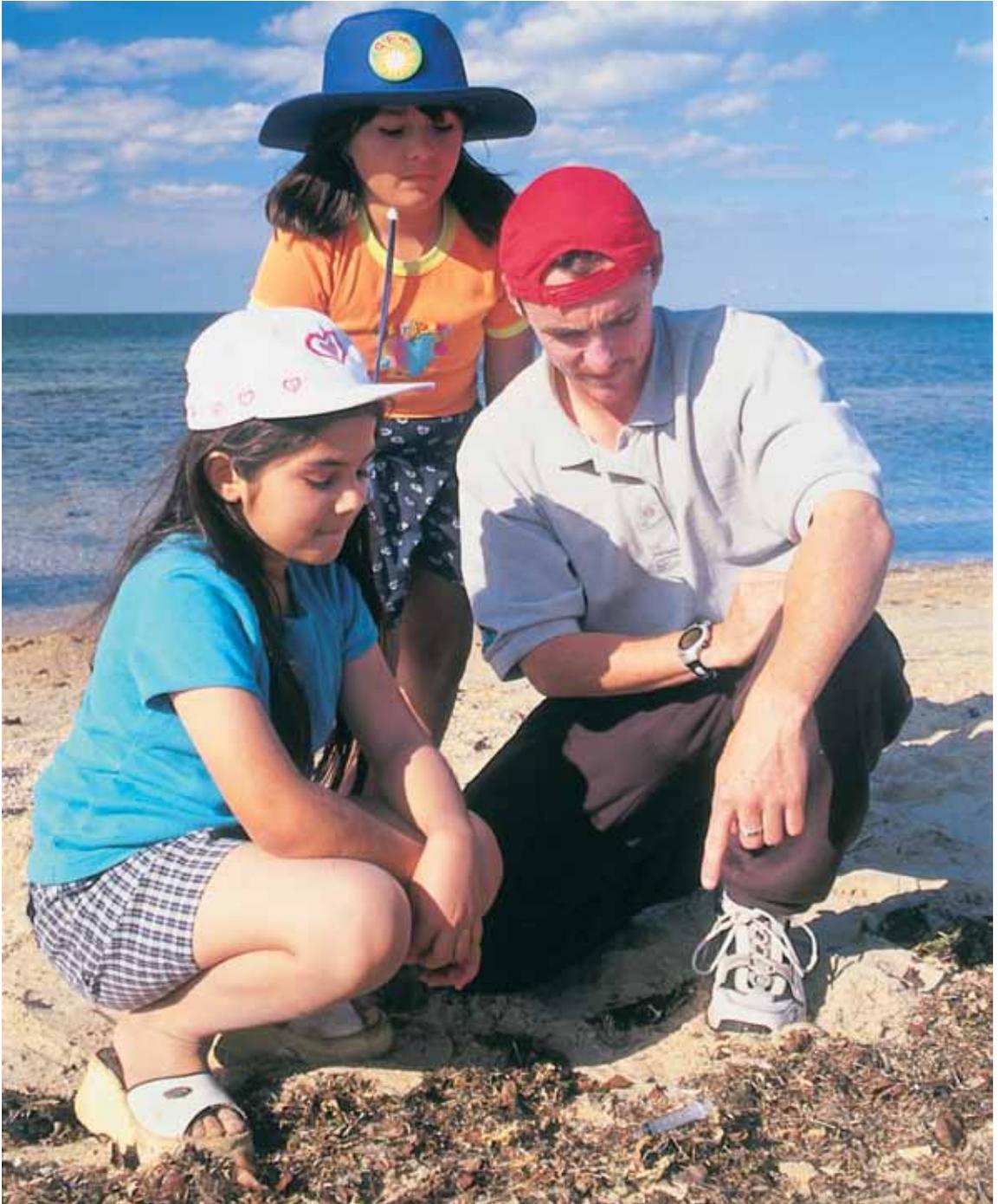


Why are dogs not allowed on some beaches?



Risks

Yuk! Dad has found a syringe in the seaweed. He calls us over. He tells us not to touch it and to be careful of other risks. What could these be?





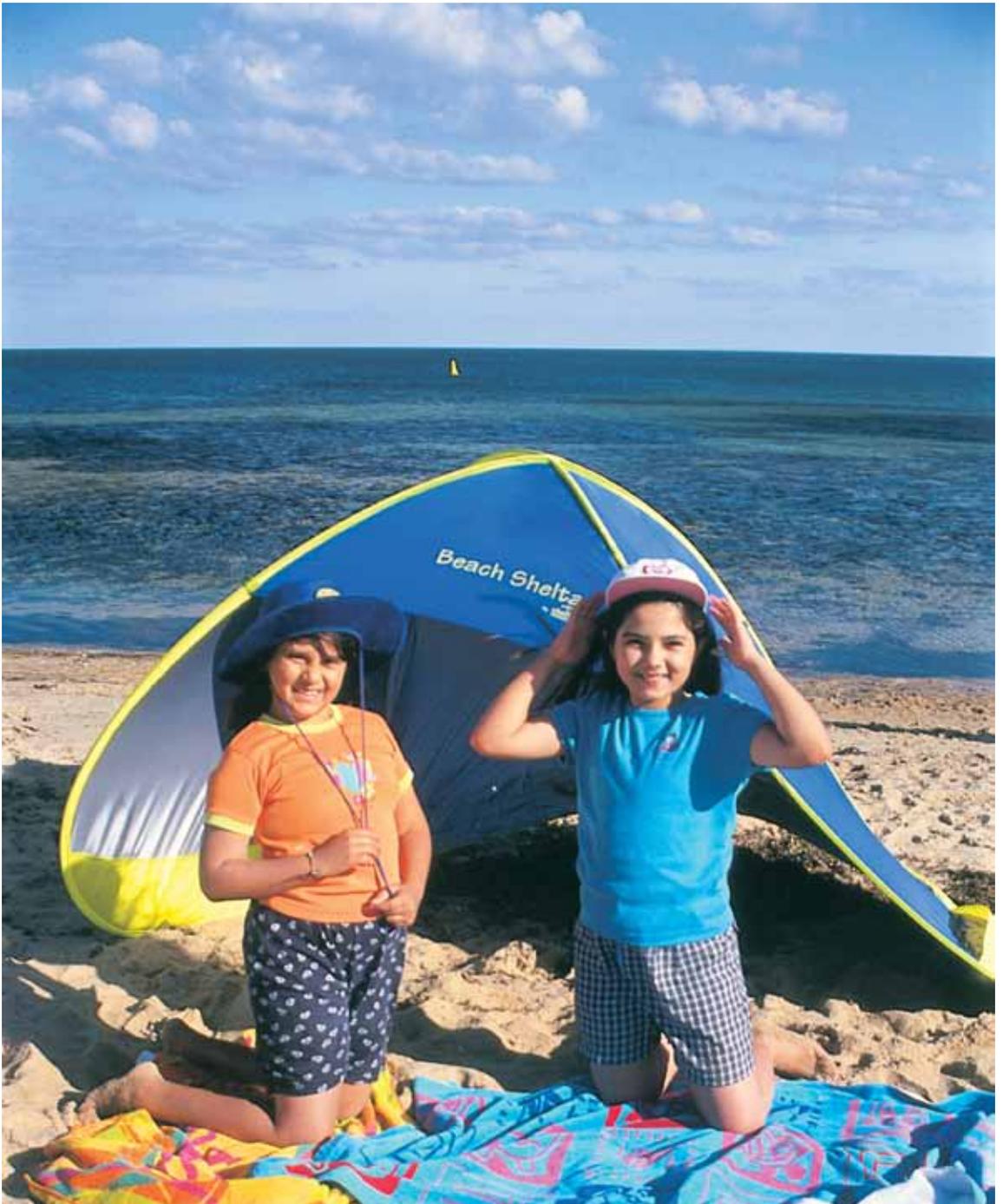
Rock pools

Now we want to see the rock pools. We try to walk on the wet rocks but they are very slippery. Next time we will wear trainers, not sandals.

Blue-ringed octopus

We see a small octopus. Dad told us that some small octopuses can be very dangerous. We do not touch jellyfish either.



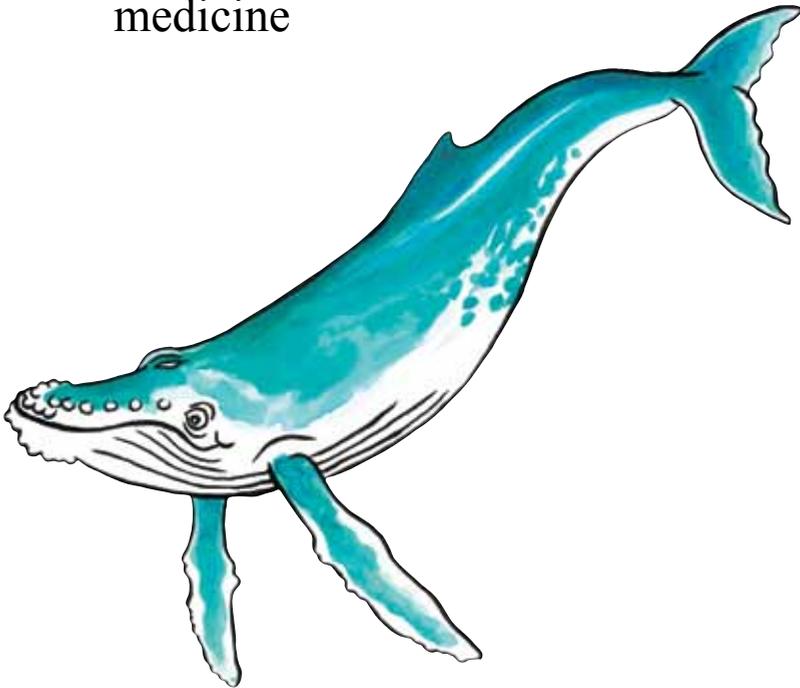


Packing up

We have had an exciting and safe day. Now we're ready to pack up. Goodbye beach!

Glossary

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|-----------|---|
| jellyfish | animal that looks like jelly with long stinging ribbons |
| lifesaver | person who looks after swimmers at the beach |
| octopus | animal with eight tentacles |
| rock pool | a pool of sea water in the rocks where many plants and animals live |
| school | group of fish or a place where children learn |
| slippery | smooth to slide on |
| sunscreen | a cream that protects skin from sunburn |
| syringe | used for injecting medicine |



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