



Marine Reader Series

Fun by the Sea



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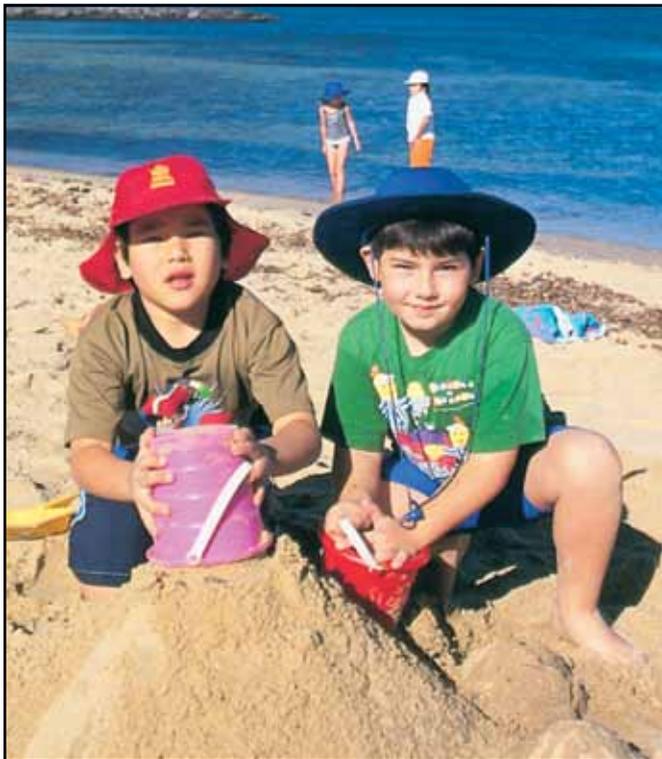
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Fun by the sea

Look at us.

We are having so much fun.

We can paddle, row, dive, snorkel and swim.

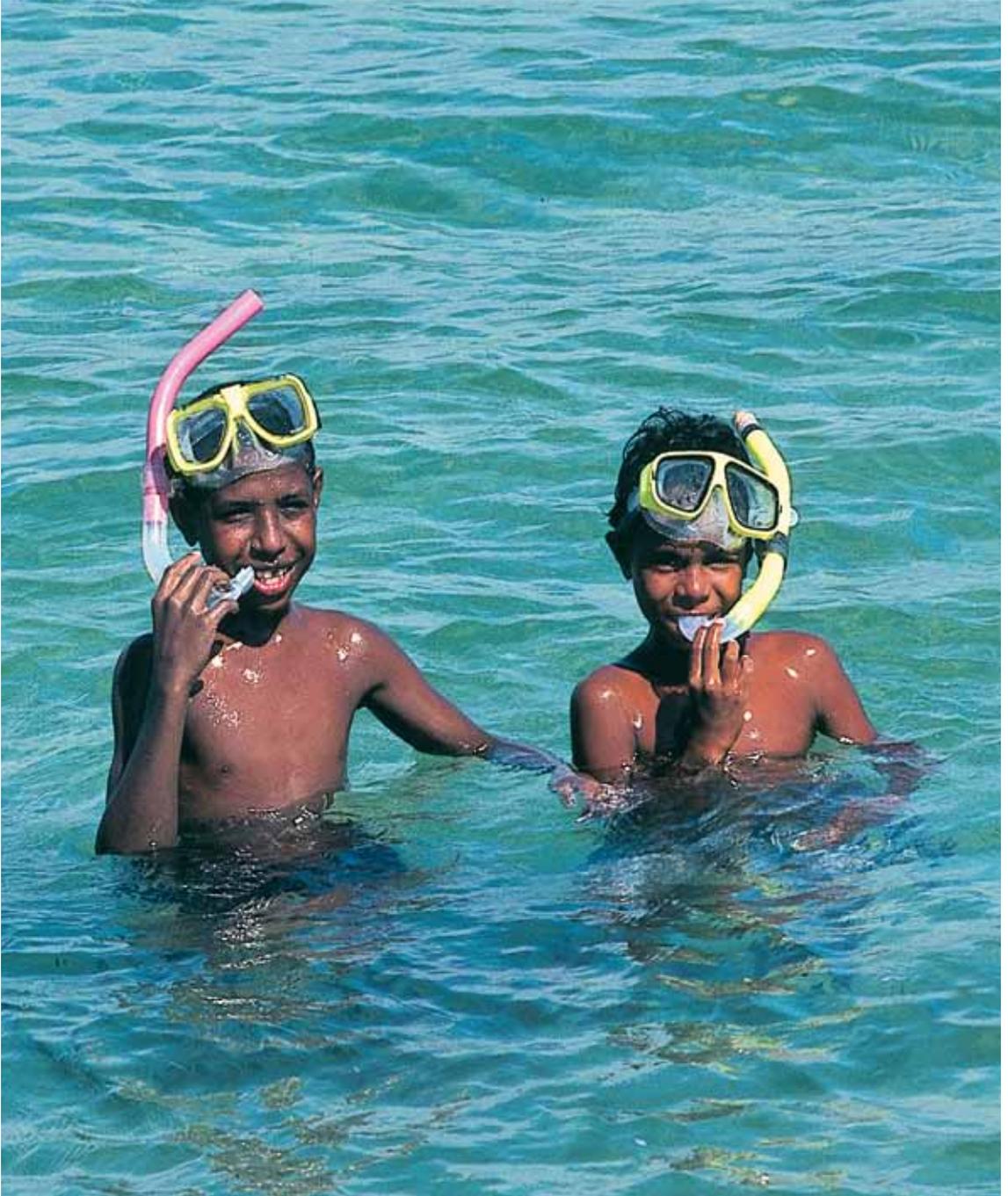
Do you have fun by the sea?



Going snorkelling

Snorkelling is a great way to see fish. My snorkel helps me to breathe under the water. I feel like a fish.

What can you see underwater?





We use our flippers to help us swim. Our feet don't touch the seabed.

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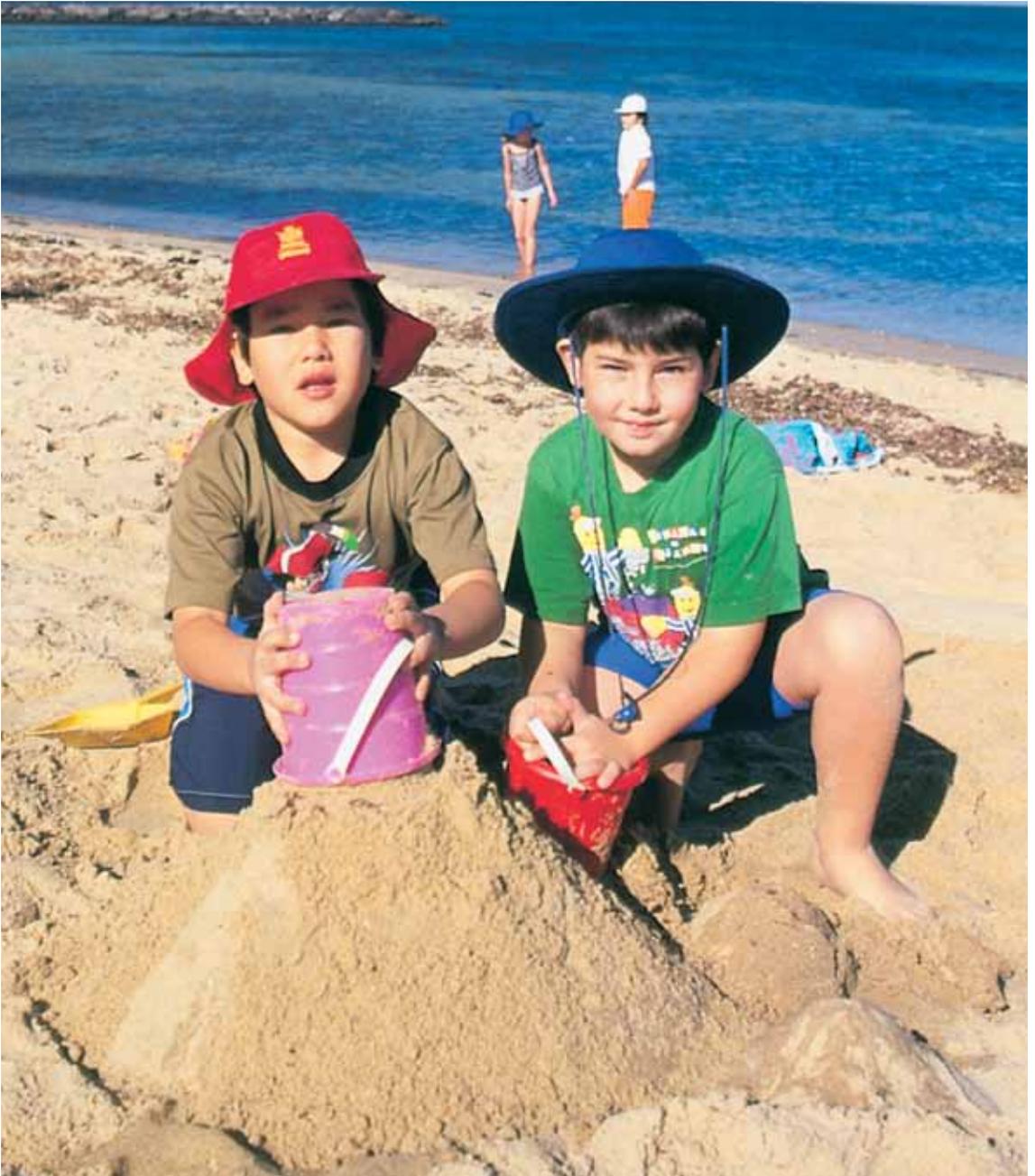
Look under here, what an exciting world!

We build a sandcastle

We use our buckets to build a sandcastle.

I hope the tide doesn't come in too soon.

A sandcastle is easier to make with wet sand than dry sand. Why is that?





Playing cricket

My family likes to play cricket at the beach.

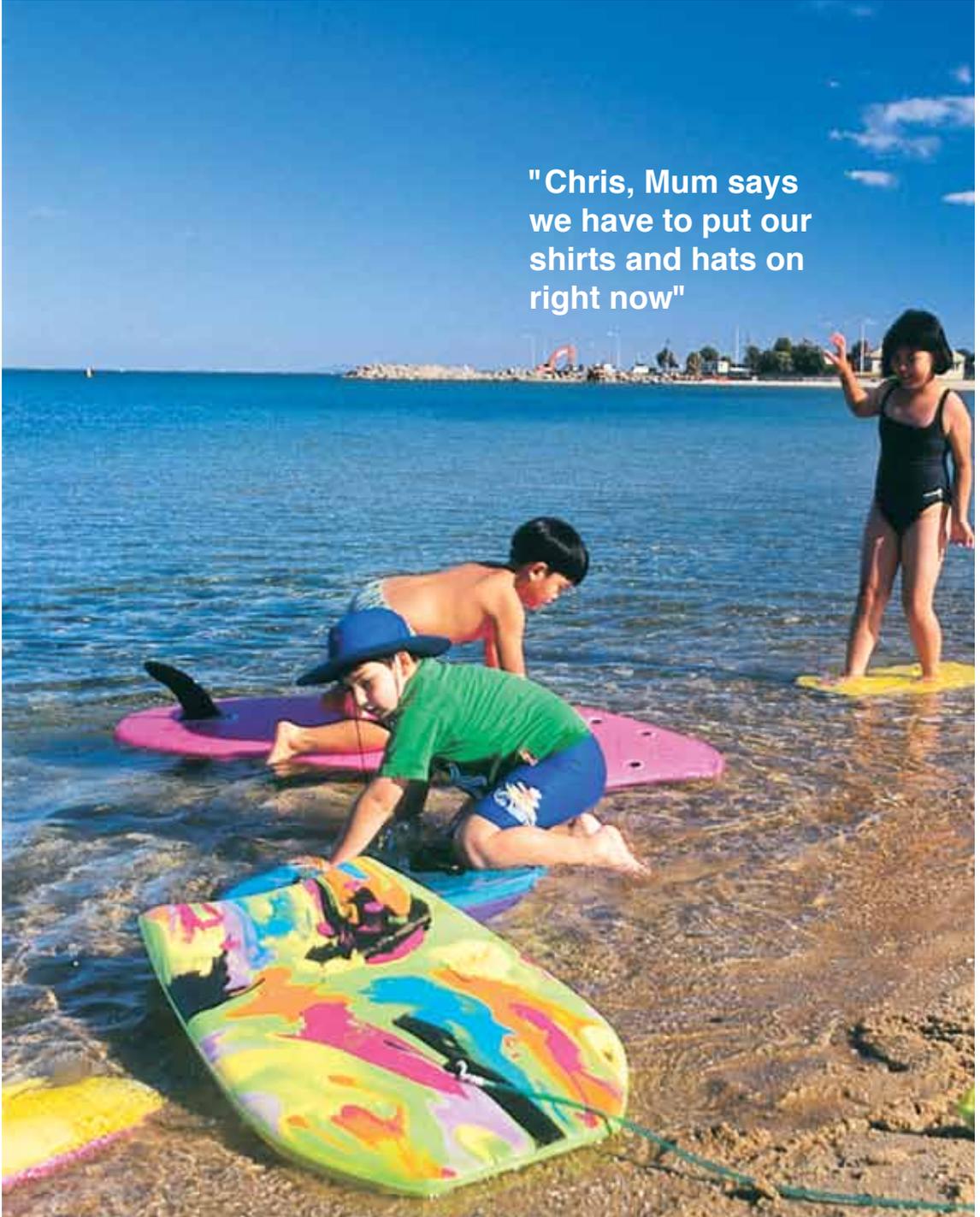
It is fun trying to hit the ball into the water.

Watch out for the ball! What else can we play on the beach?

My bodyboard

I have a bodyboard that helps me to float in the water. I practise balancing in the shallow water.

"Chris, Mum says we have to put our shirts and hats on right now"





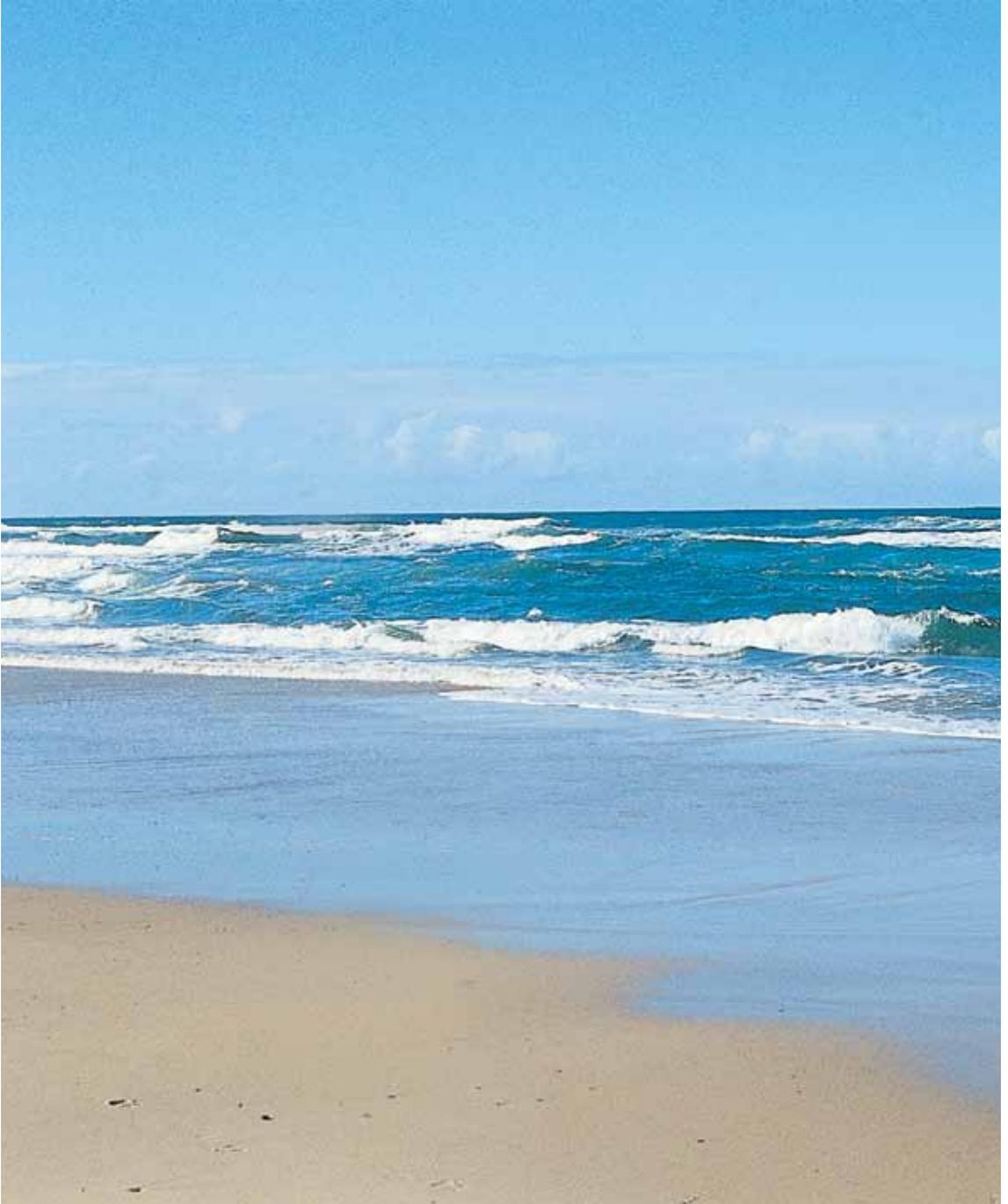
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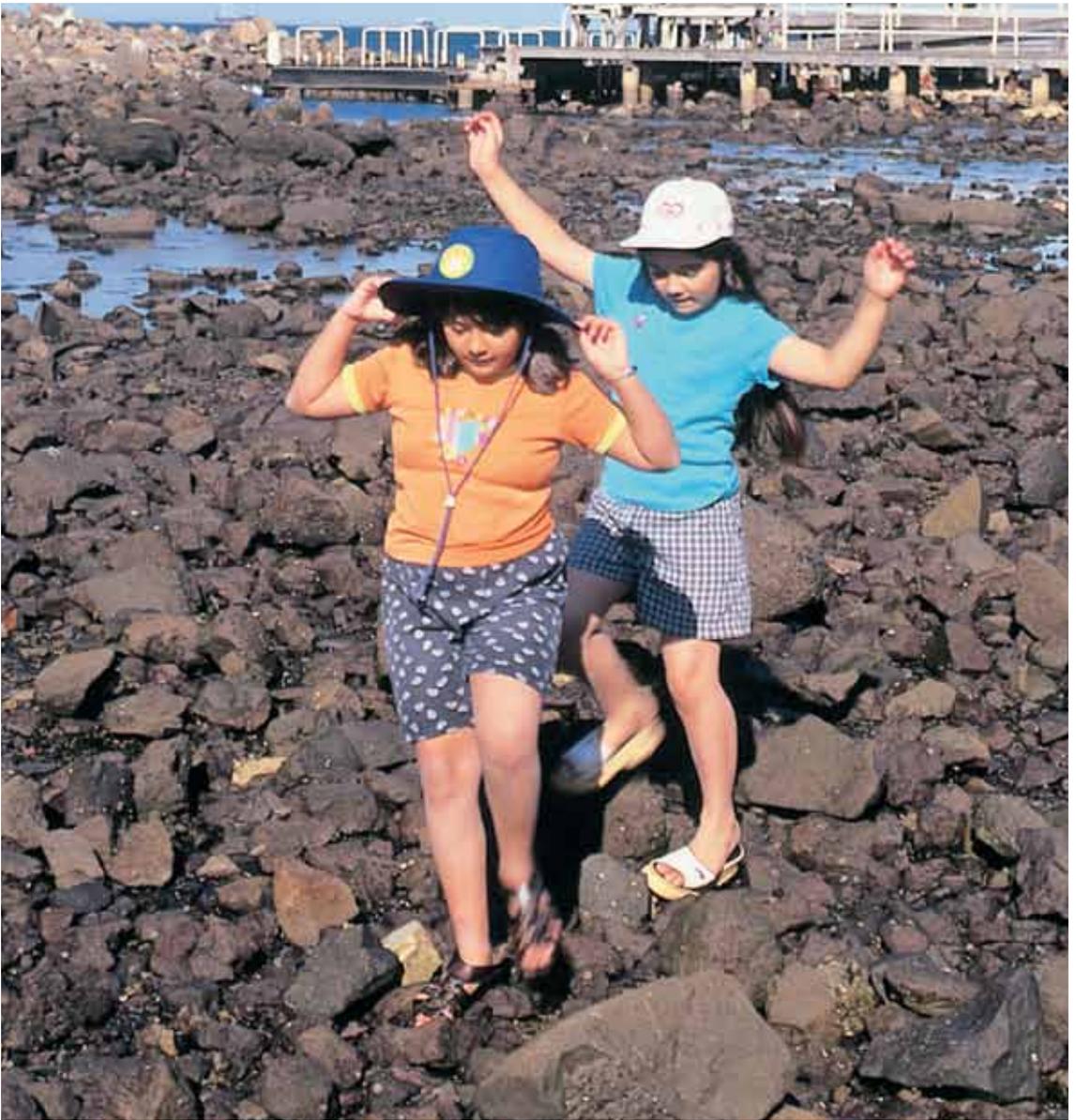
When I get older I would like to ride the waves on a surfboard. I will need a wetsuit to stay warm.

Beach safety

Some beaches have no lifesavers on patrol.

Some surf has big rips which are dangerous. Can you see a rip in this picture? Would you swim here?

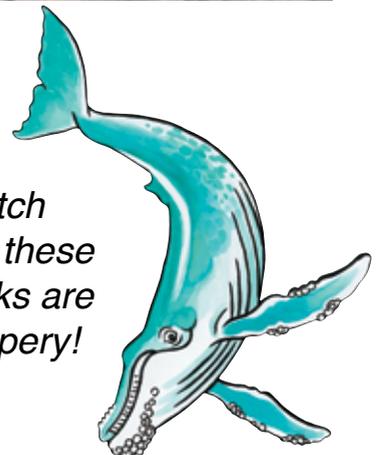




Climbing over the rocks

Some beaches have lots of rocks. We are very careful as we explore the rock pools. Why are the rocks slippery?

Watch out these rocks are slippery!



Exploring the rock pools

Lots of wonderful animals live in rock pools. We are very careful to turn back the rocks after we have looked.

Rock pool animals live under rocks in cool water. What happens to them when they are left in the open air?





Listening to seashells

Pick up a seashell. Listen.

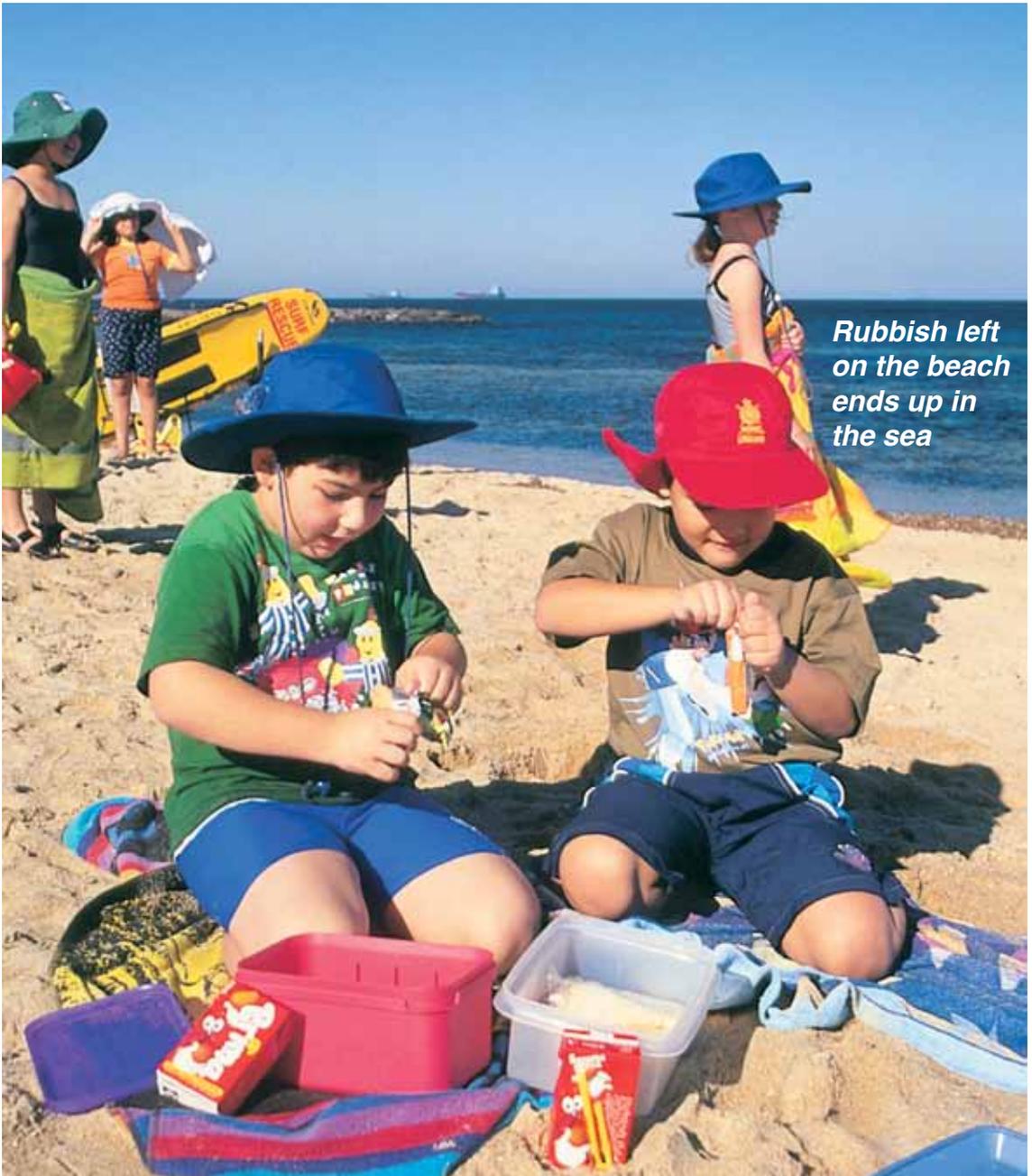
Can you hear the sea?

Shells are homes for animals on the beach. Leave the shells there.

Watching seagulls

Seagulls swoop and screech loudly at the beach.
We don't feed them. They can find their own food.
What do seagulls eat?





*Rubbish left
on the beach
ends up in
the sea*

Having a picnic

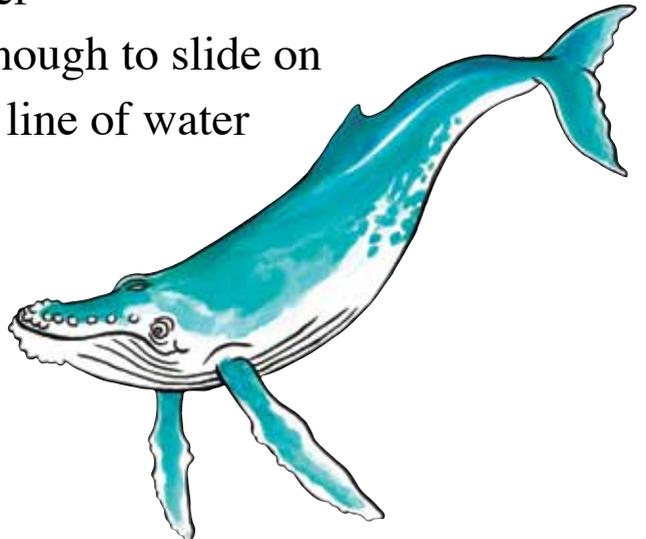
It's fun to take a picnic to the beach.

We take cold drinks to the beach. We take all our rubbish home.

Why don't we take plastic bags to the beach?

Glossary

dive	jump into and under the water
balance	stay upright without falling over
bodyboard	small board to travel on waves
bury	cover in sand or soil
flipper	long rubber flaps worn on feet to help you swim faster
paddle	walk in shallow water
rock pool	pool of sea water among rocks at low tide
row	use an oar to make a boat move
rubbish	things that are no longer needed
screech	loud sound made by animals or other things
shell	hard outside part of an animal that helps to protect it
snorkel	a special tube you put in your mouth to breathe through when your face is underwater
slippery	smooth enough to slide on
wave	a moving line of water in the sea



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