

## Practice text: Skip and the Shark

You can read the smaller writing aloud to give the children instructions. Encourage them to read other parts of the questions independently.

## Cracking the questions

Question	Answer	Focus	Strategy
1. Jen and Raj were Skip was a Sam was a _____.	Jen and Raj – children Skip – dog Sam – sailor	1b	To answer questions like this, you have to join the beginning and end of the sentences. Start with the first name. Remember the name while you read the text until you find out what the right answer is. Then do the same with the next name.
2. Jen and Raj went to look for _____.	sharks	1b	In this question, you have to work out which word will go on the line. Read the question carefully. Think about which part of the text you need to read again. You don't have to read all the way to the end. Remember the question while you read the text again. Copy the word you found.
3. Tick all the fish there were. _____.	Starfish ✓ Clownfish ✓	1b	To answer questions like this, you have to look for more than one answer. Find the part of the text that tells you what kind of fish they saw. Remember the question while you read the text again. Once you have ticked the boxes, check that you were right by reading the text again.
4. The shark's fin had a sharp _____.	point	1b	In this question, you have to work out which word will go on the line. Read the question carefully. Think about which part of the text you need to read again. Remember the question while you read. Copy the word you found.
5. Skip had to swim to a _____.	ring	1b	Read the sentence beginning. How do you think this sentence should end? Where in the text should you look for the answer to this question? Remember the question while you read the text again. Copy the word you found.
6. Did the shark get Skip? Tick a box. No		1b	Read the question. What do you think the answer is? Where in the text should you look for the answer to this question? Remember the question while you read the text again.