

# "Bear Swims



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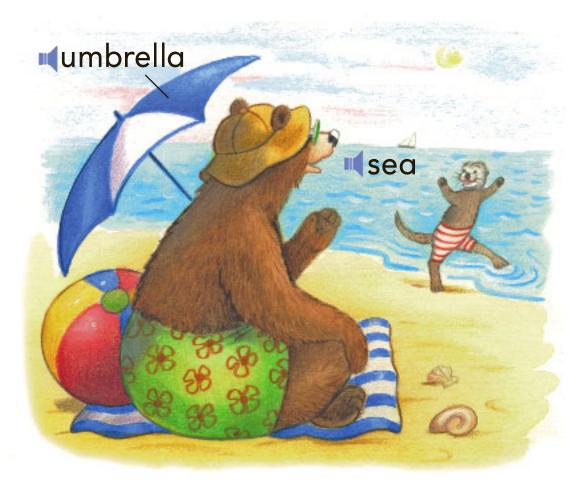
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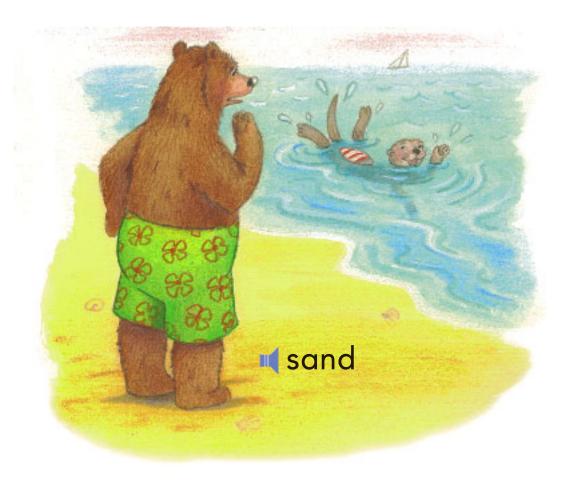
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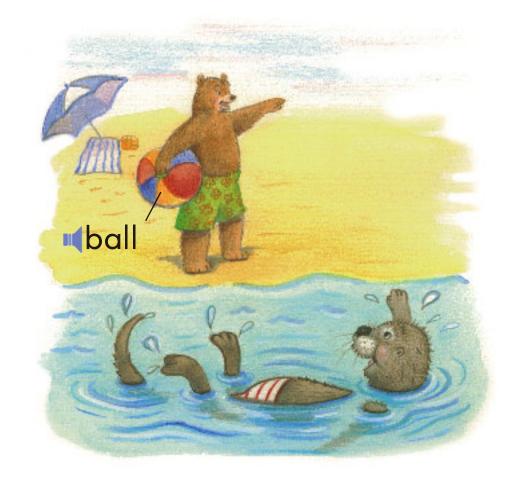
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"What can we do?" said Bear.
"We can swim," said Otter.



"No. Let's play in the sand," said Bear.
"But it is fun to swim!" said Otter.

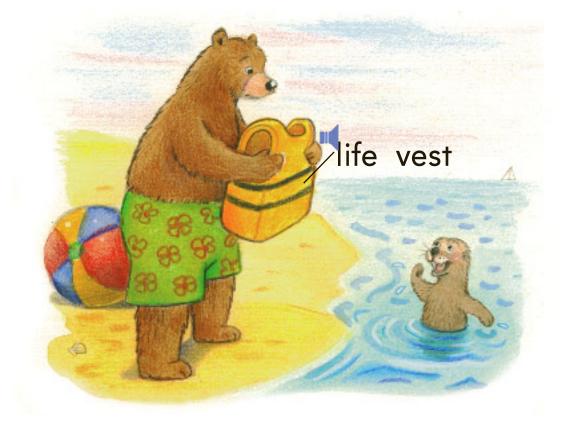


"No. Let's play ball," said Bear.

"We can play ball in the water," said Otter.



"But I don't know how to swim," said Bear.
"I can teach you!" said Otter.



"I am scared to swim,"
Bear said.

"Put on your life vest," said Otter.

"The water is nice."



"Yes, the water is nice!"
Bear said.
"You can help me,"
Bear said.
"Then I will swim."



"You swim well in the sea," said Bear. Otter said, "You can swim, too.
Look at me."



"Move your arms.

Kick with your
legs," said Otter.

"Swimming is fun!"
said Bear.

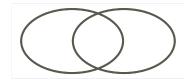


"Thank you for helping me," said Bear.
"Now I can swim!"
"I am glad to help you," said Otter.

## Responding

#### TARGET SKILL Compare and

Contrast How are Bear and Otter the same? How are they different? Make a diagram.



#### Talk About It

**Text to Self** Who helped you do something? How did he or she help you?

### WORDS TO KNOW

about don't

by maybe

car sure

could there

- TARGET SKILL Compare and

  Contrast Tell how two things are alike or not.
- TARGET STRATEGY Visualize Picture what is happening as you read.
- **GENRE** A **fantasy** is a story that could not happen in real life.

Level: E

**DRA:** 8

**Genre:** 

Fantasy

**Strategy:** Visualize

**Skill:** 

**Compare and Contrast** 

Word Count: 151



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