Sally’s Beach Rescue

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Level: 9
Word count: 201

High-frequency words
New: if into looked people played where

Key vocabulary
beach flags help keep safe swim/swimming tell water waves

Curriculum link
• Health: Safety

Key concepts
• There are dangers at the beach.
• To stay safe when swimming, people need to follow safety procedures.

Reading strategy
• Cross-checking using meaning: Does that make sense?

Paired book
Keep Safe at the Beach

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Sally and Grandma went to the beach.

“These flags tell us where it is safe to swim,” said Grandma.

“Who is that?” said Sally.

“That’s Andy,” said Grandma. “He helps to keep people safe at the beach.”
“Let’s go swimming,” said Sally.

“Not yet,” said Grandma.

“The waves are too big.”

“You can go swimming when the waves are not so big,” said Andy.
Sally played in the sand.

She looked at the waves to see if they were still big.

She saw a boy in the water. He was waving at her!
“Look!” said Sally.

“Oh, no!” said Grandma.

“That boy needs help.”

“I will tell Andy,” said Sally.
Sally ran to Andy.

“Help!” said Sally.
“A boy in the water needs help.”

Andy ran along the beach.
Sally and Grandma ran with him.
Andy ran into the water.
He swam to the boy
and grabbed him.

Then he swam back to the beach.
The boy was safe.
“Thank you,” said the boy.
“The waves were too big for me.”

“You did the right thing,” said Grandma.
“You put your hand up when you needed help.”
“You did the right thing too, Sally,” said Andy. “You came and got me!”