Maisie and the Dolphin

While reading
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1 Answer these questions.
   a How old is Maisie?
   b Where does she live?
   c Who lives with her?
   d What colour is her house?
   e Where is it?
   f Is it new?
   g Where does her mother work?
   h When does Maisie go out in her grandfather’s boat?
   i What does Maisie find in the sea one day?
   j What is the American’s name?
2 What are they thinking? Write their words. How are they feeling?

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3 Write their names.

4 Underline the right words.
   a (Where/When/Who) is Ben strong again?
      After three weeks.
   b (Where/Why/What) does she play with Ben?
      Games.
   c (What/Where/Who) is Maisie’s friend?
      Ben.
   d (What/When/Who) do they take Ben to sea?
      The following day.
   e (Where/Why/When) does Grandad stop his boat?
      At half past ten.

f (Where/When/Why) does Maisie put her hand?
   On Ben’s head.

g (When/Where/What) does Maisie find under the sea?
   A box with coins.

After reading
5 Artwork
   Find pictures for a new book cover. Write some words about the story too.
6 Write another name for the story.
7 Pair work
   Speak about one of the pictures in the book to another student. Don’t let the other student see the picture. Can your friend find the right picture?
8 Pair work
   Work with another student. Look at the pictures and talk about the story. Some things you say are wrong. Can your friend find what is wrong?
9 Write
   You’re new on the island and meet Maisie. Write a letter to a friend about Maisie.
10 Pair work and role play
   Work with another student.
   Student A: You’re Maisie’s friend. Ask her about Ben.
   Student B: You’re Maisie. Answer your friend’s questions.
11 Research and write
   Find pictures of girls, women and men. What pictures are OK for Maisie, her mother, her father, her grandfather and the American? Write a few words about them under the pictures. Show the pictures to your friends in class. Do they like them?
12 Write
   You are Maisie and you are happy. You are not losing your house. Write a letter to a friend. Tell your friend about your life with Ben.
13 Write some words about dolphins.
   What are they like? Where do they live? Why do people like them so much? With another student, make a picture about dolphins for the classroom.
14 Write
   What can we do to help dolphins? How can they help us? Find out and write about this.
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1 Complete these sentences with one word.
   a Maisie is ………… years old.
   b She likes ………… music.
   c Her father is a ………….
   d Her mother works at a ………….
   e The hospital is ………… to her house.
   f Her ………… is blue.
   g It's by the ………….
   h Maisie ………… her house.
   i Maisie's ………… lives with her.

2 Match.
   a Grandad …
   b Maisie …
   c Carl …
   d Maisie's mother …
   e Maisie's father …
   f Ben …
   g The Warm Wind …

   1 is swimming in the sea.
   2 is talking with the American.
   3 has got a small cheap boat.
   4 is Maisie's friend.
   5 has got an expensive boat.
   6 is a boat.
   7 is a doctor.

3 One word is not right. Can you find it?
   a grandfather – Grandad – fish – Dad
   b pool – fish – dolphin – help
   c wood – next to – under – near
   d hospital – piece – doctor – ill
   e Mother – Father – Carl – Grandad
   f key – coins – boat – box

4 What happens first? Number the sentences 1–11.
   a A big boat hits a dolphin.
   b Ben doesn't want to eat.
   c Maisie finds a piece of wood under the sea.
   d Maisie gives Ben a fish and Ben eats it.
   e She gives the name Ben to the dolphin.
   f Maisie swims back to the boat.
   g Maisie's mother is in the garden.
   h The American wants to buy Maisie's house and the hospital.
   i The boat drives away.
   j There's an American in Maisie's house.
   k They take the dolphin to the hospital.

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5 Complete with the right word. Use the words in the box. There are nine words, but you can only use seven.

   box coins follows jump jumps key sad sell well

   a Ben is ………… again.
   b Ben is leaving, and Maisie is ………….
   c Ben gives Maisie a ………….
   d Maisie goes under the sea and ………… back on the boat.
   e Maisie ………… Ben.
   f There's a …………. under the sea.
   g Maisie's father doesn't want to …………. the house.

6 Are the following right (✓) or wrong (✗)?
   a Ben is strong after three weeks.
   b Maisie's mother talks with her about Ben.
   c Maisie is losing Ben and her house.
   d Maisie and her father take Ben to the sea.
   e Ben has got an old key in his mouth.
   f Maisie goes under the sea with Ben.
   g Ben takes Maisie to a box.
   h Maisie can't open the box.
   i Maisie finds a lot of gold coins.
   j Maisie's father sells the house.
   k Ben goes back to the hospital.

7 Find the wrong word.
   a Ben has a short red line on his head.
   b Maisie and Ben are not good friends.
   c She doesn't play games with him.
   d Maisie's grandfather takes Ben to the cold sea.
   e Maisie sees a small key.
   f Ben is swimming between two black stones.
   g Maisie finds two gold coins in the box.
   h Maisie is not happy again.
   i Maisie and her Grandad laugh when they do see Ben again.

8 Write: What's your story?
   Maisie goes underwater but she cannot open the box with the key. What happens? What does Ben do?