

The Snail and the Whale

Simplified PowerPoint Story

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A simplified version, adapted from the popular book by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler.

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- ✓ Specially adapted for ESL/EFL learners
- ✓ Tell the story in a dynamic way
- ✓ Use in games, sequencing and storytelling.

This is the snail. The snail lives on a rock. It wants to see the world. "Look at the sea! The world is so big! I want to see the world!"



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The other snails don't understand.
"Why do you want to see the world?!"



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The snail has an idea. "I can write a message!"
The snail writes, "Help me see the world, please."



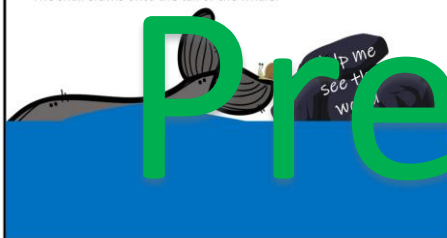
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This is the whale. He sees the snail.
"Hello little snail! What's the matter?"



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"I want to see the world. Can you help me?"
"Yes, of course! Come on my tail."
The snail crawls onto the tail of the whale.



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They travel to the arctic.
"Look little snail. This is the Arctic. There are icebergs."
"Oh yes! There are penguins on the icebergs. There's a seal!"



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They travel to an island.
 "And this is an island", says the whale.
 "Ooh! There are volcanoes and there's a jungle. Look at the turtle on the sand!"



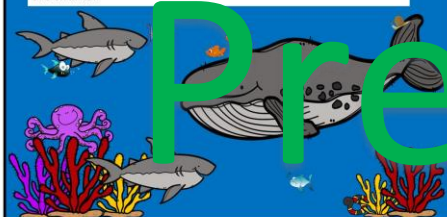
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They swim in the ocean.
 "Here are the waves," says the whale.
 "Wow! The waves are big! I'm scared Mr. Whale!"
 "Don't worry little snail."



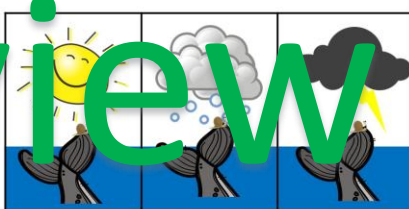
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They swim under the sea.
 "This is under the sea. Look at all the animals."
 "Amazing! There are fish. There's an octopus. Waaaah! There are sharks!"



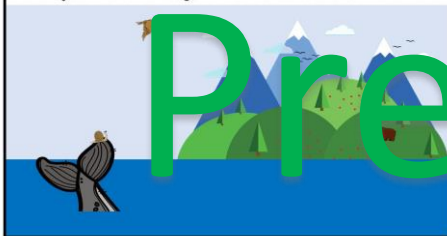
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They see lots of different weather. Sometimes it's sunny and warm. Sometimes it's snowy. Sometimes it's stormy with thunder and lightning.



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They travel to the mountains.
 "Here are the mountains and the forests."
 "Oh yes! There's an eagle. There's a bear! I love this!"



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Then one day, there is a problem.
 There are noisy boats and people. The whale can't hear. The whale gets lost.



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The whale swims too close to the shore.
 "Oh no! I'm stuck on the beach! I can't move!"
 "Don't worry Mr. Whale. I will help you. I have an idea."



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Here are the children and here is a teacher.
 Where is the snail?



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The snail writes a message on the board:
 SAVE THE WHALE.
 "Look, look!!", the children shout.



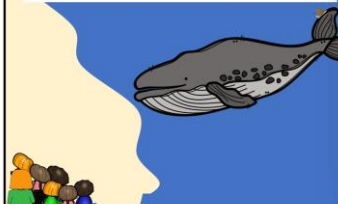
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The children run. The firefighters drive. All the people
 go to the beach to help the whale.



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Oh thank you little snail! Thank you children! Thank you
 people! The whale is free!



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They go back to the dock and back to the rock.
 "Look! Look! This is Mr. Whale."
 The other snails ask, "What happened? What
 happened?"
 The snail tells the story.



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Adapted to include
 more repetition to aid
 understanding and
 language acquisition.

"Can we come?" ask the snails.
 "Of course!"
 So, the snails travel the world on the tail of the whale.



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