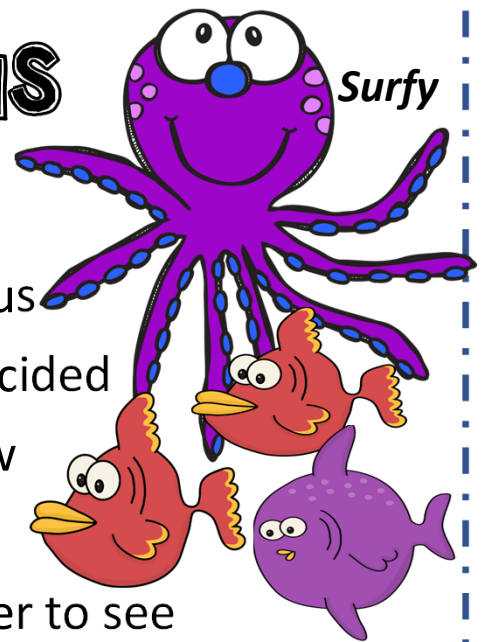


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# Surfy the Octopus



In the big sea there was a little purple octopus named Surfy. Surfy was a very fun loving octopus and loved to explore the sea. One day, Surfy decided to go on a swimming trip to find something new and fun to do. As Surfy was swimming around, he heard a strange noise nearby. He swam closer to see what it was. When Surfy got closer, he saw a school of fish which is a group of fish, swimming around in circles. The fish kept swimming around and round in circles. He thought they were playing a game, so he decided to join in. He swam around and around with the fish until he got dizzy. He was having so much fun that he forgot to keep swimming. Suddenly, he started to sink. He kept sinking lower and lower. Luckily, the school of fish noticed and quickly swam over to Surfy to help him. They pushed Surfy back up to the surface. Surfy was so grateful that he thanked the fish with a big smile. From then on, Surfy made sure to pay more attention to what he was doing when he set out to have new fun.

1. Read the passage about Surfy the Octopus
2. Underline each word that you could not read.
3. Circle each word that took you more than 1 try.
4. Answer the follow up questions.

# Surfy the Octopus

Answer according to the reading passage:

- 1. What did Surfy want to explore?**
  - a. the sea
  - b. the ocean
  - c. the pond
  
- 2. What did Surfy see?**
  - a. fish
  - b. a school
  - c. sharks
  
- 3. What were the fish doing?**
  - a. swimming away
  - b. playing with Surfy
  - c. swimming in circles
  
- 4. Why did Surfy get dizzy?**
  - a. from following the fish
  - b. from swimming in circles
  - c. watching the fish swim in circles
  
- 5. Who helped Surfy get back to the surface?**
  - a. his friends
  - b. the fish
  - c. the fisherman

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# **Surfy the Octopus**

## **Open Response Questions**

### **Open Response Questions for Thinking Skills:**

- 1. Inferring**
- 2. Making Connections**
- 3. Summarizing**
- 4. Visualizing**

- 1. Why do you think the octopus wanted to have fun?**
- 2. What did this story remind you of.**
- 3. In two sentences summarize what this story is all about.**
- 4. What images went through your mind as you read the story?**

- 1. How would you feel if you were Surfy and got so dizzy, you sunk in the water?**
- 2. What lesson do you think Surfy learned?**
- 3. Do you think Surfy is a good name for an Octopus? Why or why not?**