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The Hunt for Gold

by Anita Amin

"Let's hunt for gold!" Mia told her brother Alex.
They were playing in the sand on the beach.

Alex agreed. "Maybe we'll find a chest full of gold coins!"

So they picked up their pails and headed down the beach.

After a few steps, they found some seashells.

Mia put some small pink shells in her pail. She shoveled some sand into her pail too. "I'm going to draw a picture of the beach," she said. "I'll glue the shells and sand to my picture."



They kept walking. Soon, they found some seaweed.

Alex put some in his pail. "I'm going to make a lasso with this seaweed."

Mia put some seaweed in her pail too. "I'm going to make a jump rope."

They kept looking for gold.

After a while, Alex frowned. "We didn't find any gold."

"No, but I see a whole dollar!" Mia cried, racing ahead.

"Really?" Alex cried.

Mia showed Alex her dollar.

Alex laughed. "You found a sand dollar!"

Mia put the sand dollar in her pail.

Then Mia and Alex went home with their riches.

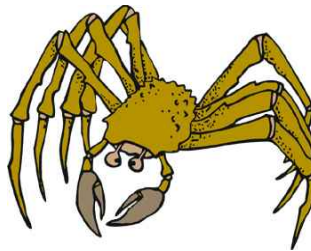
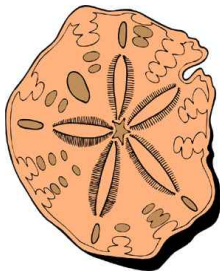
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2. Circle the things Mia and Alex found.
Draw an "X" on things they did not find.



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- a. She wanted to keep them in her pail.
 - b. She wanted to make a picture with them.
 - c. She wanted to take them to school.
 - d. She wanted to put them in her sand box.
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- a. make a lasso
 - b. hang it in her bedroom
 - c. throw it in the water
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Then write the full word on the line. Be sure you spell each word correctly.

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clue: large box

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2. g _ _ l d
clue: metal that is worth a lot of money

2. _____

3. d _ _ l l _ _ r
clue: 100 cents

3. _____

4. s _ _ _ w _ _ _ d
clue: plant that grows under the water

4. _____

5. p _ _ _ l
clue: bucket

5. _____

6. b _ _ _ c h
clue: sandy place by the water

6. _____

7. l _ _ s s _ _
clue: rope used to catch things

7. _____

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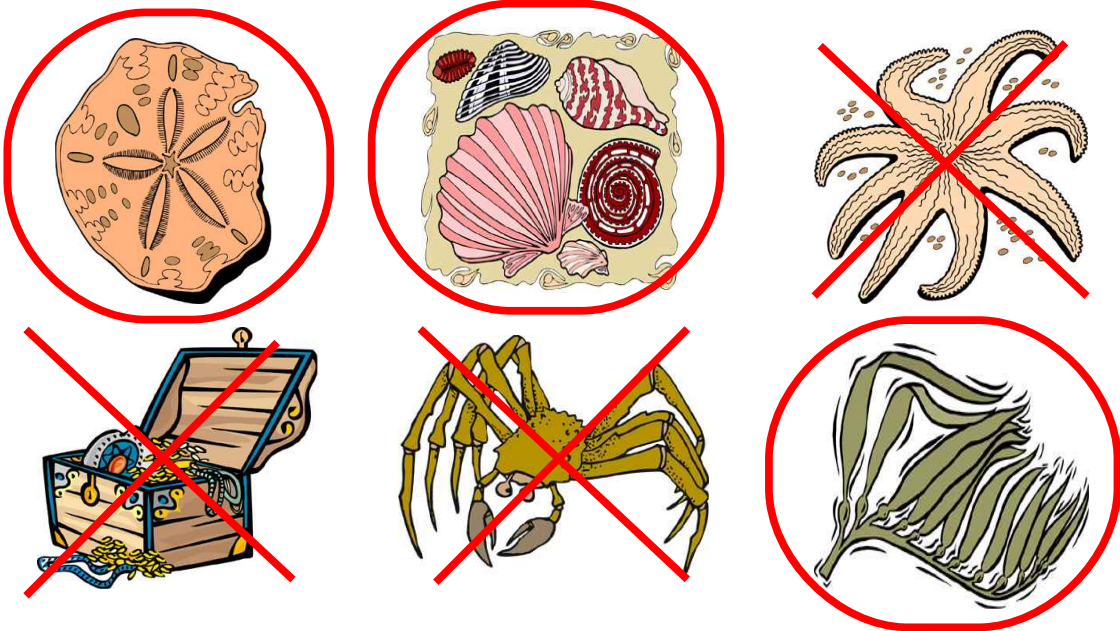
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3. d o l l a r
clue: 100 cents

3. dollar

4. s e a w e e d
clue: plant that grows under the water

4. seaweed

5. p a i l
clue: bucket

5. pail

6. b e a c h
clue: sandy place by the water

6. beach

7. l a s s o
clue: rope used to catch things

7. lasso