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Sammy's Day in the Cayman Islands

by Anita N. Amin

It was Sammy's first day in the Cayman Islands. There was so much to do and see. What should he do first?

"Let's swim in the ocean!" Sammy told Mom and Dad. The ocean was as clear as the sunny sky. He jumped into the waves. Tiny fish darted away.

"Let's build a sandcastle!" Sammy said next. The sand was soft and tan. He dug and dug. He piled and piled. He made a tall tower with a big moat.



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fish, eels, turtles, coral, shipwrecks, divers, and a mermaid statue.

"Let's see the bay that lights up!" Sammy told Mom and Dad that night. They canoed to the bay. Sammy put his hand in the water. Tiny animals like glow worms, disco shrimp, and plankton lit up in the water.

"Let's—" Sammy started to say, back at the hotel.

"We're tired," Mom said. "Tomorrow, we'll do more. We'll swim with stingrays."

"But now it's bedtime." Dad yawned.

"That's what I was going to say," Sammy said. "Let's go to sleep!"

Sammy fell asleep right away, dreaming of what he would do tomorrow.

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1. Choose the word that best describes how Sammy feels about his day in the Cayman Islands.

- a. bored
- b. excited
- c. peaceful
- d. sleepy



2. What does Sammy want to do first in the Cayman Islands?

- a. swim in the ocean
- b. build a sandcastle
- c. see the roosters
- d. ride a submarine



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4. What is the last thing Sammy wants to do at the end of the day?

5. What does Sammy's family plan to do tomorrow?

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Fill in the missing letters to create words from the story.
Then write the full word on the line. Be sure to spell
each word correctly.

1. ___ u b ___ a ___ i ___

hint: a vessel that is designed to go underwater
for long periods of time

1. _____



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4. ___ ___ i n ___ r a ___ s

hint: flat, bottom-dwelling fish with a
poisonous spine at the end of their tail

4. _____

5. ___ o ___ ___ s

hint: place where boats are tied up

5. _____

6. ___ e r ___ a ___

hint: a make-believe creature that is
half-human and half-fish

6. _____

ANSWER KEY

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