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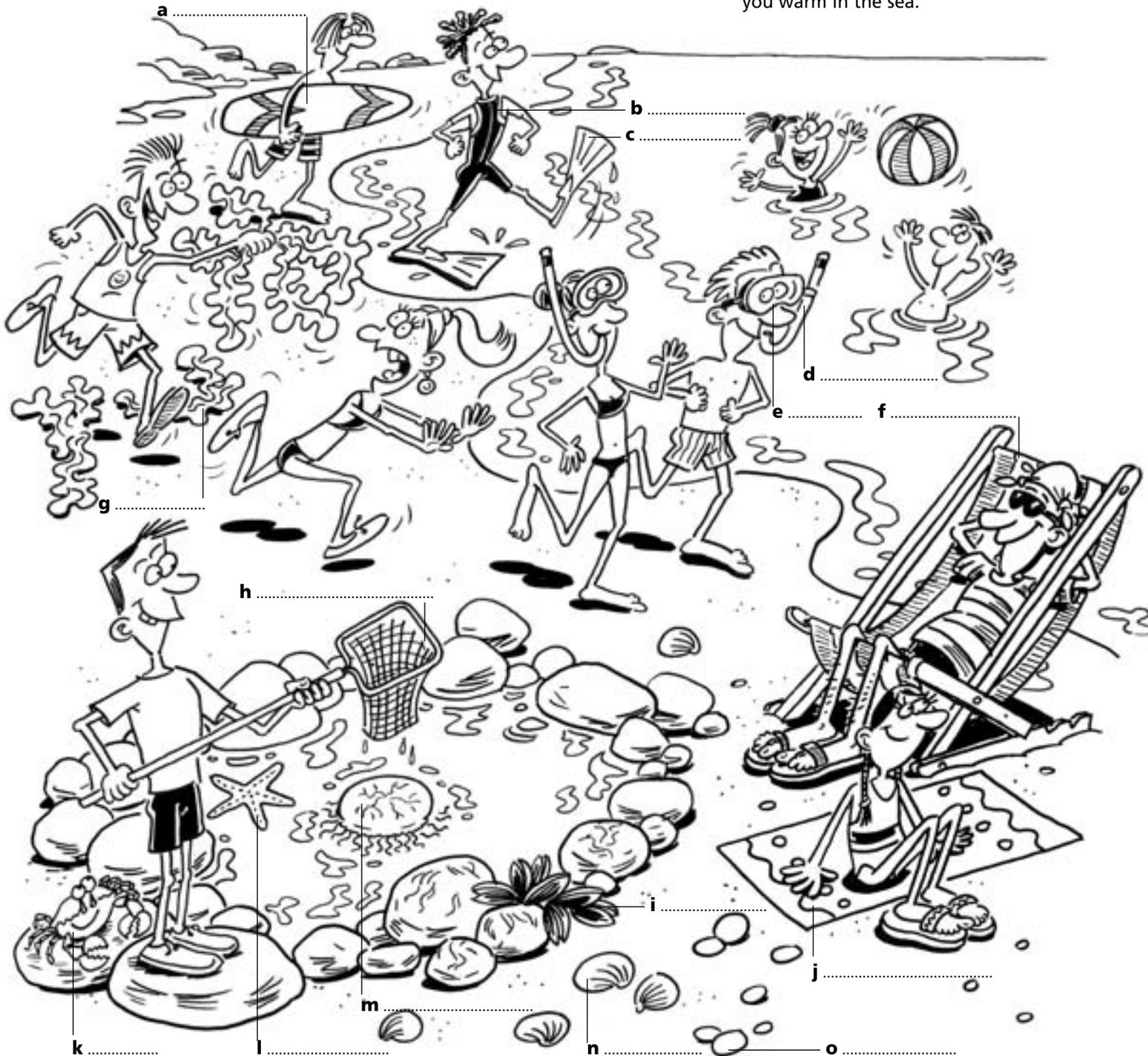
The seaside

British people love going to the seaside. There is so much to see and do even if the weather isn't great. Let's find out more about the seaside. Look at the clues and label the picture.

- 1 A **jellyfish** is a sea animal. It can be dangerous.
- 2 You wear **flippers** on your feet. They help you swim faster.
- 3 You catch fish with a **fishing net**.
- 4 You use a **surf board** to surf.
- 5 A **starfish** is a sea animal. It looks like a star.

- 6 You use a **beach towel** after you swim to dry yourself.
- 7 **Shells** are beautiful objects and the homes of shellfish.
- 8 A **crab** is a sea animal with 8 legs and two big arms. You can eat it.
- 9 You wear a **mask** on your face.
- 10 **Pebbles** are small round stones you find on the beach.

- 11 **Mussels** are small black shellfish. You can eat them.
- 12 You sit on a **deck chair** on the beach.
- 13 You put a **snorkel** in your mouth so you can breathe under water.
- 14 **Seaweed** is a sea plant – it grows in the sea.
- 15 You wear a **wetsuit** to keep you warm in the sea.



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Read the article and write the missing words.

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Beach life!

This week, we're talking to Steve Anderson, a life guard at Perranporth, Cornwall.

You've got a great job, Steve!

Yeah, it's fun. I meet lots of people. And I'm outside* all the time – so when it's a nice day, it's brilliant*.

But it isn't like *Baywatch*. We're in

a), not California!

What do you like about the job?

I meet lots of girls. I like that. And I really like talking to the surfers. I'm a b), too, and I love hearing their stories.

Are there any bad things?

Oh sure! It can be a bit c)

And people do some silly things. Sometimes they swim too far from the beach and they get into

d) I have to swim out to help them. Sometimes they float* a long way from the beach on air beds. I use jet skis to get to them quickly. And people drop rubbish on the e)

..... I tell them to pick it up.

It's important to keep the beach f)

Do the British love seaside holidays?

Oh yeah! They come down in the morning and they stay all day! They bring picnics, books, newspapers,

g) and beach umbrellas. They bring jumpers and jackets, too. It can get cold on the beach in an English summer!



What was your most frightening* moment this year?

Well, I saw a shark about a month ago. It was very close!

And the most exciting?

h) with dolphins! They were really beautiful.

What do you do in the winter?

Actually, I'm a i) I'm studying science at university. This is just a summer job.

Where are you studying?

At Sussex University in Brighton. I'm near the sea all year, so that's great!

Read the article again and put the pictures in order.

* What is it in your language? Find out!

