

Level 4. Silva the Seal

Alpha Readers

Silva the Seal



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A Write the correct word that goes with the description.

zoo

fishing net

seal

scar

vet

sick

1. not well; ill

^①
s i c k

2. a kind of cloth that is made of fine threads

^②
f i s h i n g n e t

3. a gray animal with short fur that lives in and near the sea

^③
s e a l

4. a doctor for animals

^④
v e t

5. A mark on the skin that is caused by a cut

^⑤
s c a r

6. A park where many kinds of wild animals are kept

^⑥ ^⑦ ^⑧
z o o

Hidden Word : S i l v a at the

^① ^② ^③ ^④ ^⑤
S i l v a

^⑥ ^⑦ ^⑧
z o o



B Read and write the antonym for the given word.

better

sick

young

wild

stay

1. When she was young she swam into some fishing net.
old

2. The net cut into her neck and made her sick.
well

3. Silva the seal was a wild animal.
tame

4. Silva had to stay at the zoo.
leave

5. Vets and keepers tried to help Silva to get better.
worse

C Write the correct word to complete the sentence.

1. The net got stuck around her neck and she couldn't **get** it off.
2. Silva got so sick that she couldn't **look** after herself.
3. They had to train Silva **so** that they could help her.
4. She could not **go** back **to** the ocean.
5. It took a long time for Silva to get better.
6. Silva was a wild animal and she **was frightened** of the keepers.

that
off
took
of
back
after

D Complete the sentences using *so...that* with the correct parts in the box.

Use *so...that* when you want to make the meaning of an adjective stronger.
Ex.) Silva got so sick that she couldn't look after herself.

1. The sofa was so heavy that I couldn't lift it.
2. I was so surprised that I didn't know what to say.
3. She was so tired that she fell asleep in the chair.
4. It was so expensive that I couldn't buy it.
5. It was so hot that I didn't want to go out.

she fell asleep in the chair
I couldn't buy it
I didn't know what to say

I couldn't lift it
I didn't want to go out

A Answer the following questions.

1. Why did Silva get sick?
 - a) because there was no food in the ocean
 - b) because the ocean was polluted
 - ☒ c) because the fishing net cut into her neck
2. Who tried to help Silva to get better at the zoo?
 - a) only the keepers
 - b) people who visit the zoo
 - ☒ c) the vets and the keepers
3. Why did Silva have to stay at the zoo?
 - ☒ a) She couldn't look after herself because it took a long time to get better.
 - b) She couldn't go back to the ocean because she didn't like it.
 - c) She had to stay at the zoo because the keepers wanted to keep her.
4. What can people see on Silva's body? (p16)

People can see the scar from the net that almost killed her.

B Read and circle "T" for true or "F" for false.

1. Silva always lived at the zoo. T / ☒ F
2. Some people found Silva and called the zoo. ☒ T / F
3. Silva couldn't look after herself anymore after she got better. ☒ T / F
4. Silva was not frightened of the keepers when she met them. T / ☒ F
5. Silva doesn't have the scar from the net any longer. T / ☒ F

C Complete the chart using the words in the box below.

Cause and Effect

A **cause** makes something happen. An **effect** is what happens.

Cause		Effect
The fishing net cut into Silva's <u>neck</u> .	→	It made her <u>very sick</u> .
People who found Silva <u>called</u> the zoo.	→	<u>Keepers</u> from the zoo took her to the zoo.
Silva was a <u>wild</u> seal.	→	She was <u>frightened</u> of the keepers.
It took <u>a long time</u> for Silva to get better.	→	She had to stay <u>at the zoo</u> .
wild, a long time, neck, called		keepers, very sick at the zoo, frightened,

D Imagine you visited the zoo and visit Silva. Write your own answers.

Visiting Silva the Seal

Who would you like to visit Silva with?

I would like to visit Silva with my friends.

Would you like to see Silva?

Yes/No, I would like to see Silva. I want to watch her swimming.

How would you feel if you see the scar from the net on Silva's body?

I would be very sad and sorry for her.