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Antonio and his friend Pietro (**A1**) ... on the beach when they (**A2**) ... somebody shouting. They jumped up and saw that there was a man in trouble in the sea. The man had caught his foot between two rocks. He (**A3**) ... to free himself for quite a long time, but without success. The friends realised that the man (**A4**) ... and that they needed to act quickly to save him. Without thinking, they jumped into the sea. When they reached the man, they dived underwater. They (**A5**) ... for several seconds before they managed to free the man. They swam back to the shore, and pulled the man between them. By the time they (**A6**) ... the beach, many people (**A7**) ... there, and everyone started to clap and cheer.

**A1.** 1) laid 2) were laying 3) were lying 4) lie

**A2.** 1) heard 2) was heard 3) hear 4) had heard

**A3.** 1) tries 2) had been trying 3) was tried 4) had been tried

**A4.** 1) had drowned 2) drown 3) was drowned 4) was drowning

**A5.** 1) were struggled 2) struggle 3) had struggled 4) had been struggled

**A6.** 1) reach 2) were reached 3) were reaching 4) reached

**A7.** 1) had gathered 2) were gathered 3) gather 4) have been gathered

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The news has been full of stories recently about vicious dogs attacking babies and children. Some dogs can be aggressive, it's true, but many more deserve to be called "man's best friend". Take the recent case of the stray dog that saved a baby in Sheffield. Police believe that the dog found the newborn baby in the woods, where the girl (A1) .... The dog then carried the baby to an empty house, where it (A2) ... its puppies. A passerby heard cries coming from the house. When he entered the house, he saw the baby girl that (A3) ... next to the puppies. The baby, who has been named Stella, (A4) ... to hospital, where she is in good health. The police (A5) ... for the mother of the baby. In the meantime, a number of people (A6) ... interest in the dog and her puppies, so hopefully a good home (A7) ... for them.

**A1.** 1) left 2) had been left 3) had left 4) was leaving

**A2.** 1) has sheltered 2) was sheltered 3) was sheltering 4) had been sheltered

**A3.** 1) had been lain 2) laid 3) was lain 4) was lying

**A4.** 1) will take 2) took 3) was taking 4) was taken

**A5.** 1) searched still 2) are still searched 3) are still searching 4) had still been searched

**A6.** 1) are shown 2) had shown 3) have shown 4) will show

**A7.** 1) will be found 2) will find 3) has found 4) is finding