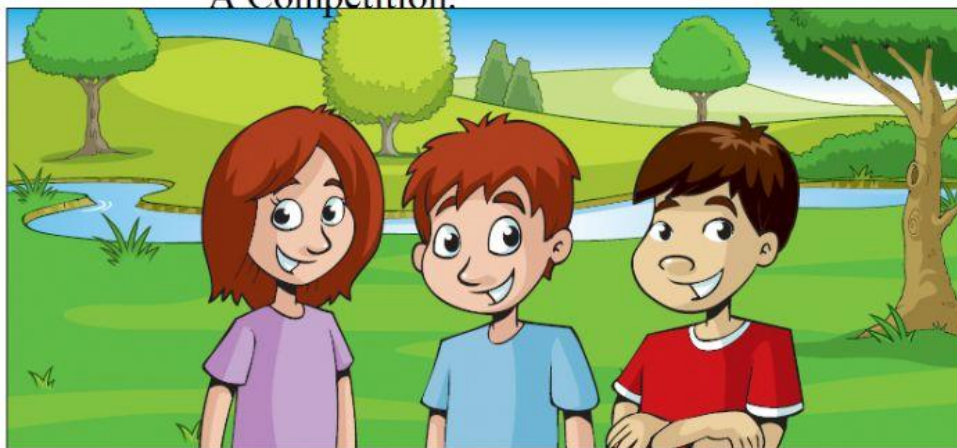


A Competition.



My name's Richard, and I live in a small village with my older sister and my parents. My sister's name is Katy. Our village is very near a big, blue lake, and we love to go swimming in it.

Last Tuesday, my friend William came to our house and we went swimming together. When we were in the water, we saw some silver fish. Katy said, 'Look, I can swim faster than the fish!' William said, 'So can I!'

Then Katy said, 'Let's see who can swim across the lake the fastest! Let's have a race!' William likes to have competitions, and so does Katy, but I don't because I am the youngest and so I never win. I was last again. I felt tired and unhappy.

William said, 'OK. Let's have one more competition. Let's see who can jump the highest out of the water. Richard, you go first.'

I jumped up, then Katy jumped, then William. I jumped the lowest, and William jumped the highest. William shouted, 'I am the best at jumping! I am the best!' But when he was shouting, a beautiful gold fish jumped out of the water, much higher than William.

I laughed and said, 'No, William, that beautiful fish is the best!'

- 1 Richard and his family live in a _____.
- 2 The name of Richard's _____ is Katy.
- 3 Richard and his sister go swimming in the _____.
- 4 Richard's friend is called _____.
- 5 There were _____ in the water with the children.
- 6 Richard doesn't win competitions because he is _____ in the family.
- 7 When Richard finished last in the race he was _____.
- 8 The second child who jumped out of the water was _____.
- 9 When William was shouting, a beautiful fish jumped _____ than him.