

THE FISHING TRIP.



Peter and his three sons, Andrew, Oscar and Tom have got a fishing boat. Every day, they sail across the sea to go fishing, and they rent their boat to tourists who want to learn how to fish. Tom, the youngest brother sells tickets to tourists every afternoon for the next day's trip. The passengers are arriving now with their equipment. Some of them are carrying their own fishing rods and others are renting them from Gordon.

Usually, when everyone is aboard, Peter stands at the helm and makes a signal to Oscar to untie the boat. But today Oscar is daydreaming and Andrew is doing everything.

Today they are fishing in one of the Peter's favourite places. Peter is telling his favourite fish stories. Some of the passengers are eating their lunch, while others, who feel sick are trying not to look at the food or smell the bait. Tom and Andrew are helping some of the passengers, and Oscar is also trying to help them.

Poor Oscar!, he always tries to be useful, but he usually ends up causing some damage. He makes a mess with ropes, he falls over the anchor... Now, while his brothers are helping the passengers, Oscar is watching out of the boat to catch one of a passenger's fish with the net. The fish is jumping in all directions. Oh!, it seems the fish is winning, and finally Oscar went overboard. He never knows when to give up.



A. – Write down the meaning of these words. Use a dictionary if necessary.

Son: _____ to sail: _____ to rent: _____ fishing boat: _____
to sell: _____ passenger: _____ to carry: _____ fishing rod: _____
aboard: _____ helm: _____ to tie: _____ to untie: _____
to daydream: _____ while: _____ to feel sick: _____
bait: _____ also: _____ to be useful: _____ to make a mess: _____
ropes: _____ anchor: _____ to fall over: _____
net: _____ to seem: _____ to go overboard: _____

B. – Match these words with their definitions.

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| bait | ● | ● to pay for using something during a period of time. |
| to feel sick | ● | ● a person who travels on a plane, a boat, a bus... |
| to rent | ● | ● when a person goes to another place |
| anchor | ● | ● to transport something |
| passenger | ● | ● to feel like vomiting |
| trip | ● | ● a worm or a piece of meat used to fish |
| to give up | ● | ● something that holds a boat to the bottom of the sea. |
| net | ● | ● a device for catching fish, birds, or insects |
| to carry | ● | ● to stop doing something |

C. – Answer these sentences about the previous text.

1. – How many sons has Peter got?
2. – How often do they sail on their boat?
3. – What does Tom do in the afternoons?
4. – Who controls the helm of the boat?
5. – Is Oscar ready to sail today, or is he daydreaming?
6. – Where are they fishing today?
7. – What is Peter doing?
8. – What are Tom and Andrew doing at this moment?
9. – Is Oscar usually skilled at the boat?
10. – At the end of the story, did Oscar fall down into the water?