

Hannah stopped her bike on the side of the cliff road. She watched the sea. It looked like a surfer was in trouble.

A storm was coming. Hannah could feel the strong wind on her face. Waves crashed into the hard rocks. The sea covered the beach below. Waves reached up to the houses on the shore.

The surfer was holding onto his board, and he started trying to swim in. But the wind and the waves were dragging him farther out to sea.

Did the surfer know how far he had drifted out? thought Hannah. *Why would you even go surfing in a rough sea like that?*

Hannah made a call. "Emergency services!" she said. *It was lucky I was out bike riding or I wouldn't have seen him,* thought Hannah.

But now the coast guard was on the way.



A Read and choose.

- 1 In the story, what happens first?
 - a. Hannah stops to watch a surfer.
 - b. The surfer tries to swim.
 - c. Hannah calls the emergency services.
- 2 In the story, *dragging* means almost the same as ...
 - a. pulling.
 - b. not moving.
 - c. helping.
- 3 How do you think Hannah feels when she sees the surfer?
 - a. angry
 - b. worried
 - c. happy
- 4 How does Hannah get in touch with the emergency services?
 - a. She shouts.
 - b. She makes a phone call.
 - c. She texts.
- 5 Which of these titles best fits the story?
 - a. Emergency Services
 - b. Hannah and Her Bike
 - c. Surfer in Danger
- 6 In the story, which of these happens last?
 - a. The surfer holds onto his board.
 - b. Waves reached up to the houses.
 - c. The coast guard was coming.