



Reading

1 Read and circle the best heading for the text.

a. Volunteering in India

b. The World's Biggest Beach Cleanup

c. An Indian Environmentalist



In 2015, people couldn't enjoy themselves on Versova Beach in Mumbai, India. They didn't sit on the beach, or even walk on it, because it was covered in trash: plastic containers, glass bottles, clothes and other kinds of waste. It was impossible to see any sand at all! The sea turtles that used to lay their eggs on the beach had not been there for more than 25 years.

In October 2015, a man called Afroz Shah, who was passionate about the environment, decided to make a difference. He started to clean up the beach with his neighbor. The first three months were hard because no one wanted to help. It seemed like an impossible task, but he did not complain, and he did not stop! Slowly, volunteers from all over the world, including celebrities, joined him in the cleanup. It took three years, but 100,000 people helped to clean up the beach, including 60,000 schoolchildren. In total, they collected 20 million bags of trash.

On March 22, 2018, at 6:30 in the morning, Mr. Shah received a phone call from one of his volunteers telling him to come to the beach. He arrived in time to see 102 baby sea turtles walking to the ocean.

Today, many people enjoy the beautiful beaches of Mumbai, but Mr. Shah's work continues.

• Read the text again and write what the numbers refer to.

1. 25

2. 100,000

3. 60,000

4. 20,000,000

5. 102