

Five sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, choose the correct answer. There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

### **Saved by dolphins**

I've always loved the sea, and I started surfing when I was five years old. I live near the beach in California, so I try to get out on the waves every day.

(1)..... It was a warm, windy day with some good waves. I was resting on my board and watching a group of bottlenose dolphins playing in the surf a short distance away, when suddenly a great white shark appeared. It was huge, but it moved so fast that I didn't see it coming.

The shark tried to bite me, but it couldn't get its teeth around me and the board. It tore a big chunk out of the board, but I wasn't hurt that time. Then the shark came at me again. (2)..... I stayed calm even though I knew the next bite was probably seconds away. (3)..... I looked up and saw the bottlenose dolphins swimming around me. They formed a circle around me and my surfboard, so the shark couldn't get near me. I was amazed. It was like something out of a film.

I knew a lot of stories about dolphins helping humans, but I never really believed them until it happened to me. Dolphins are very intelligent and they knew what to do to help me stay safe. They

stayed close to me until I managed to get back on my board and catch a wave back to the shore, where I collapsed with relief. Someone who was at the beach called an ambulance, and I was taken to hospital.

(4)..... I won't give up my favourite activity. I'm not angry with the shark. (5)..... I'll always be grateful to the dolphins. They saved my life.

- A I've stayed out of the sea ever since.
- B But the next bite never came.
- C Six weeks later, I was back on my surfboard.
- D Two months ago, I went surfing alone.
- E I've always loved dolphins.
- F I know I was in his home, and he was protecting it.
- G I knew that I would survive the attack.
- H This time it bit my leg and pulled me off my surfboard.