MATCHING GAME

After you've figured out how to catch, let's see if you can get these characters from the book to match! Cut out the character cards, mix them up, and place them all facedown. To play, match the cards to their characters only flipping two at a time. The player with the most matches at the end wins!
PAINT A MERMAID ROCK!

Prepare to mesmerize your little mermaids! And all you need is a few art supplies and you’re ready to go. This paint project is perfect for all ages.

SUPPLIES:
• River rocks (rocks can be bought at craft stores, just make sure they are relatively flat)
• Acrylic paint (shades of blue, green, and turquoise work best)
• Small paintbrushes
• Fine-tip paint pens or metallic Sharpies
• Mod Podge

DIRECTIONS:
Step 1: Clean and dry the rocks.

Step 2: Paint the rocks the desired color. We recommend you give each rock three coats of paint. Play with the paint and have fun! Make them two or three toned by painting each rock two or three different shades of blue and/or green.

Step 3: Let the rocks dry completely (overnight is best).

Step 4: Use paint pens (silver, gold, or rose gold work well) or Sharpies to draw scales on your rock.

Step 5: Once the paint or Sharpie scales are dry, cover your rock with a coat or two of Mod Podge so the paint won’t rub off.

Source: www.projectswithkids.com
Gems and jewelry aren’t the only hidden treasures under the sea! Decorate this starfish using bright colorful crayons, fun stickers, or glue on sequins or glitter to make your own underwater star of the show.
Mermaid popcorn is such a treat that kids (and adults) cannot wait to eat! Mix up a batch for kids to eat while working on their mermaid crafts and activities.

**INGREDIENTS:**
- 5 cups popcorn, popped and kernels removed
- 1 ½ cups blue candy melts
- 1 ½ teaspoons coconut oil
- Green Skittles, for topping
- Purple M&Ms, for topping
- Sugar sprinkles (green, blue, or purple)

Line a baking sheet with wax paper and spread the popped corn onto the sheet. Place the candy melts and coconut oil in a microwave-safe bowl. Microwave in 30-second intervals, stirring between each interval, until melted. Pour the melted candy over the popcorn. Use a spoon to mix everything together until all popcorn kernels are colored. Top with Skittles and M&Ms while candy coating is still warm so they stick. Add the sugar sprinkles as an added pop of color!

Source: https://rufflesandrainboots.com
Three cheers for our mermaid! We wish she could have stayed. But finding the words in this word search quest will make it feel like she never left.
MERMAID BOOKMARK

Making a bookmark is fun for all, and the best part yet: we think you may have caught a mermaid after all! Color and decorate this bookmark, then cut it out.