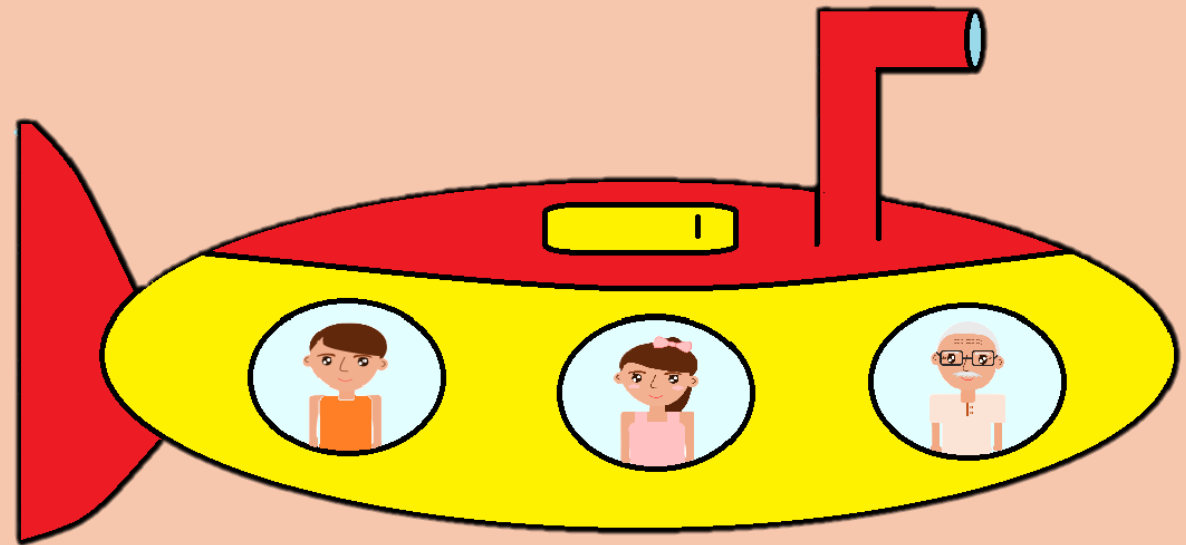
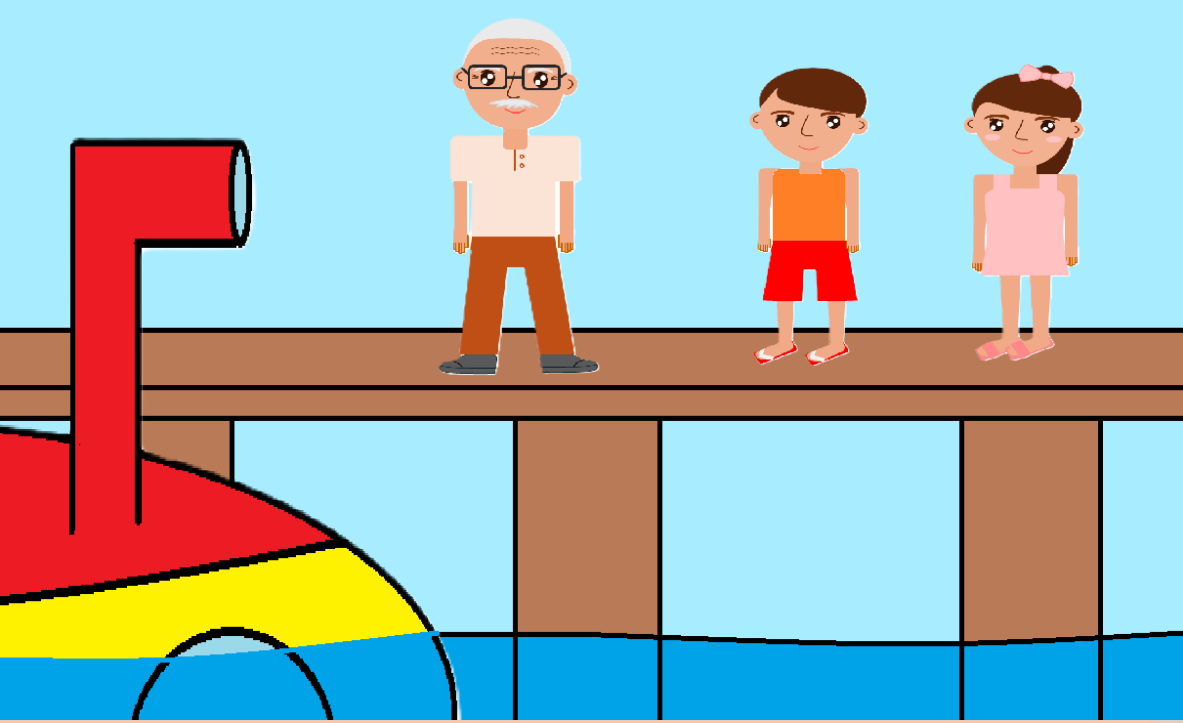


The Submarine



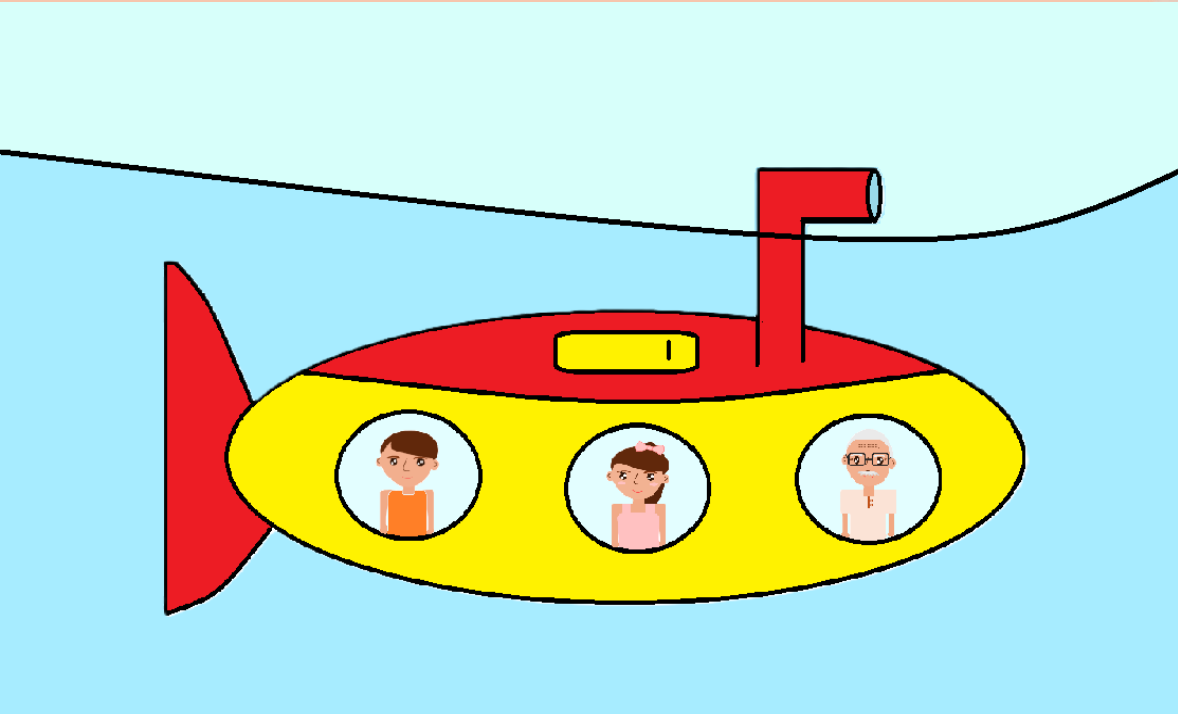
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Grandpa loved the sea, and he used to work on a large ship. Nowadays he liked to explore what was going on below the waves.

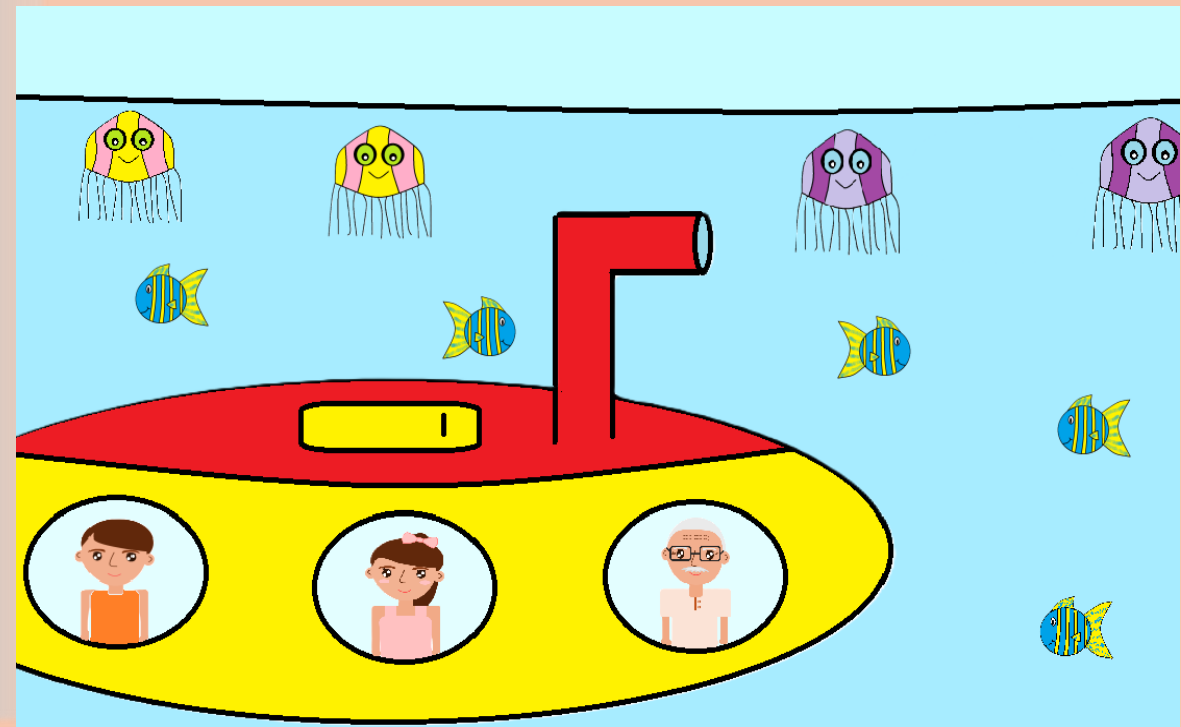
Lek and Luca were looking forward to an exciting day. They were going to take a trip with Grandpa in his submarine.

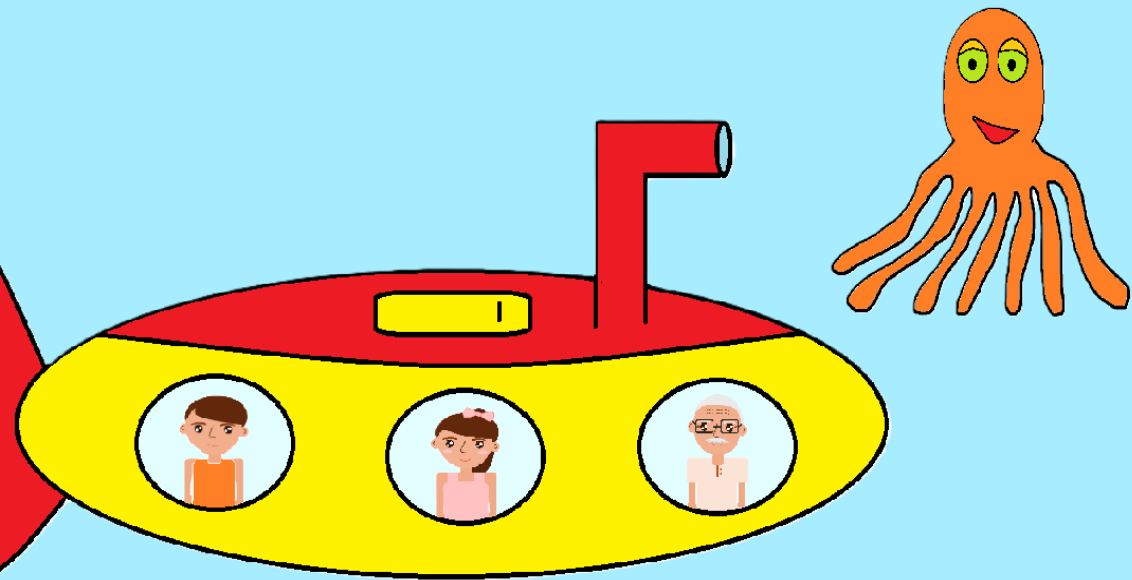




At first the water was quite bright, and Lek and Luca could see jellyfish bobbing on the surface, and fish swimming around happily.

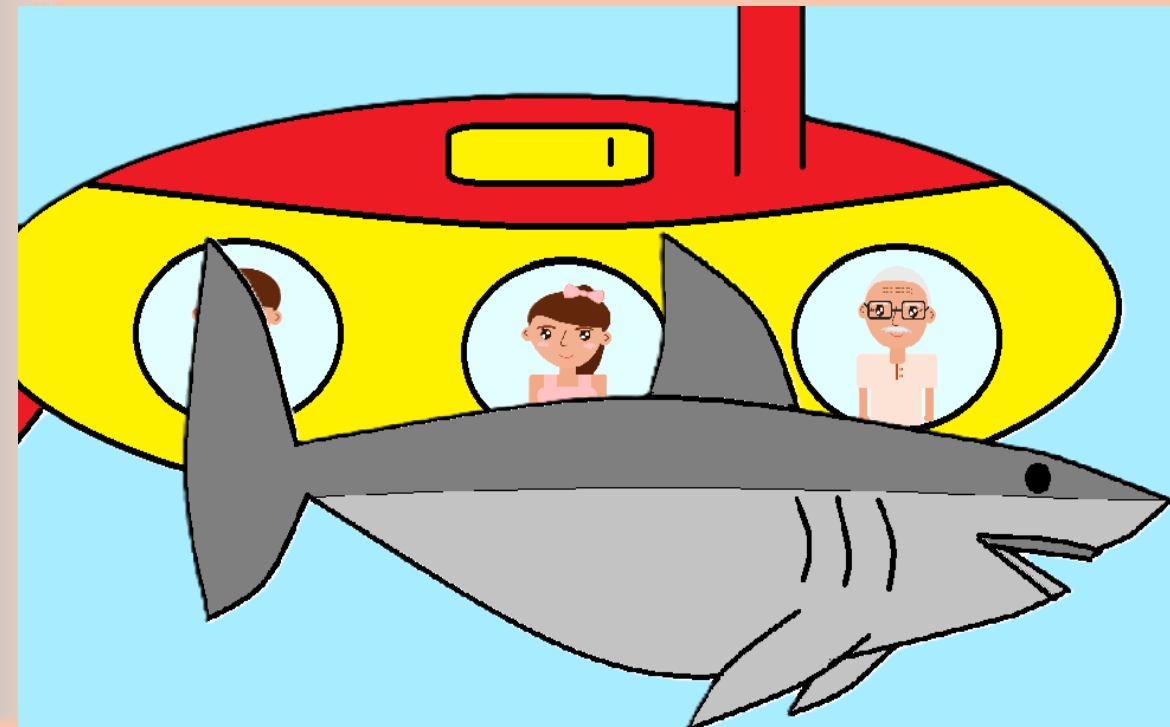
Lek and Luca strapped themselves in, and the submarine sank down into the sea.

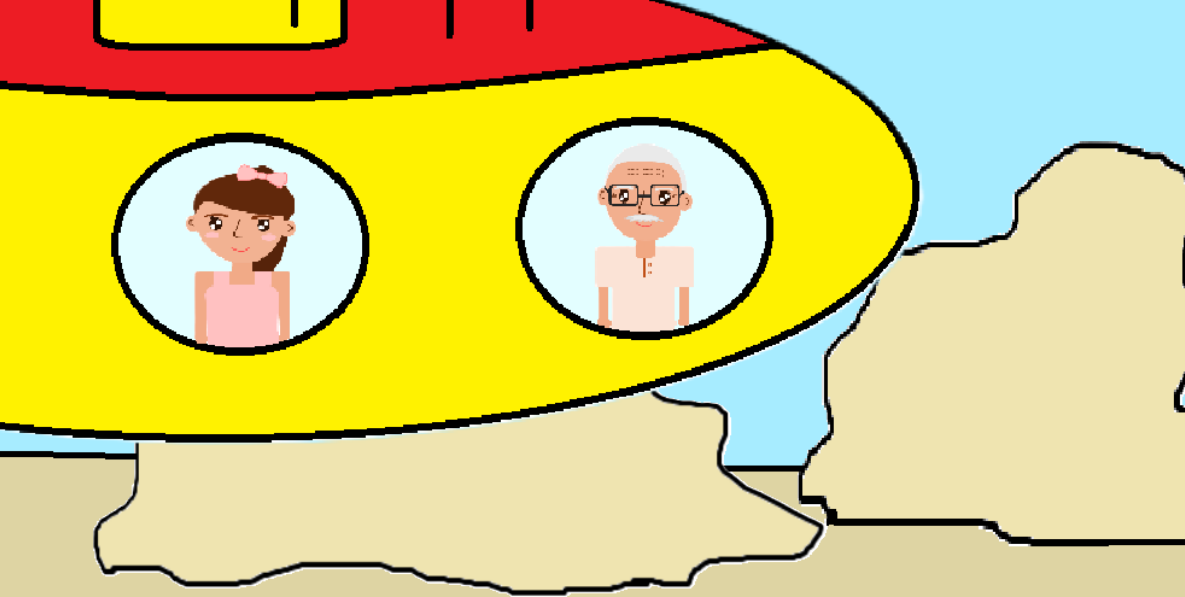




Suddenly, a big shark swam past the submarine and Lek pressed her nose into the glass window. She loved sharks and one day hoped she could swim with one.

As the submarine went down deeper, they could see larger sea animals including a beautiful octopus.



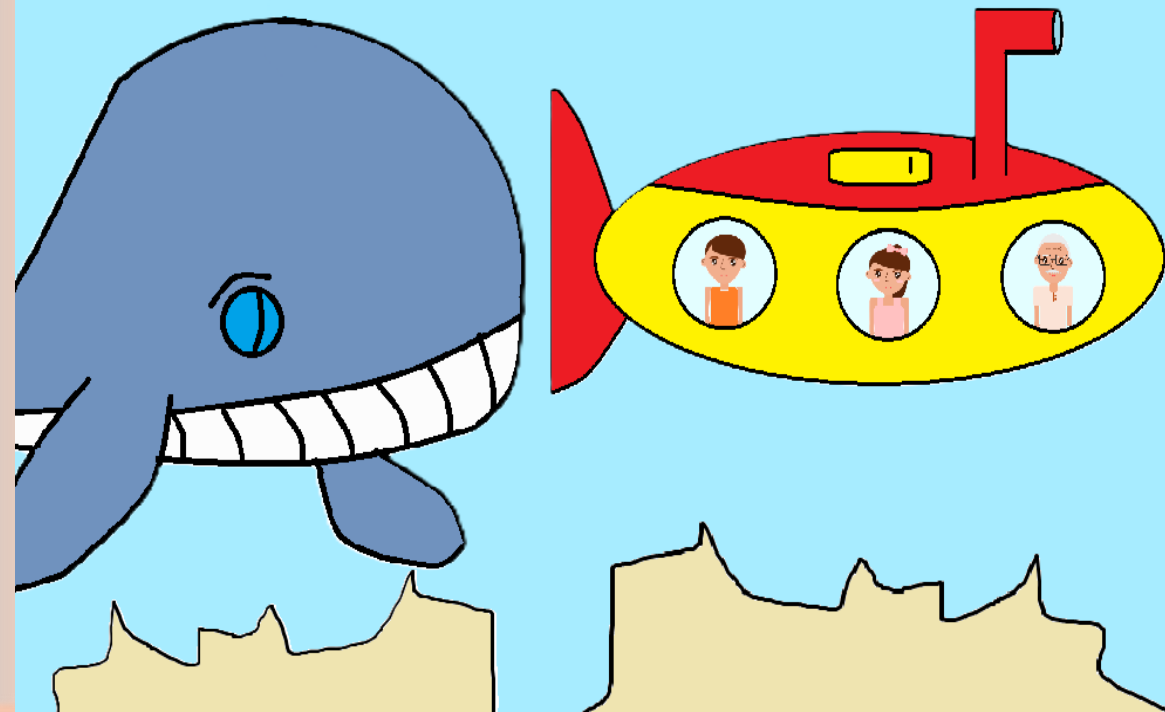


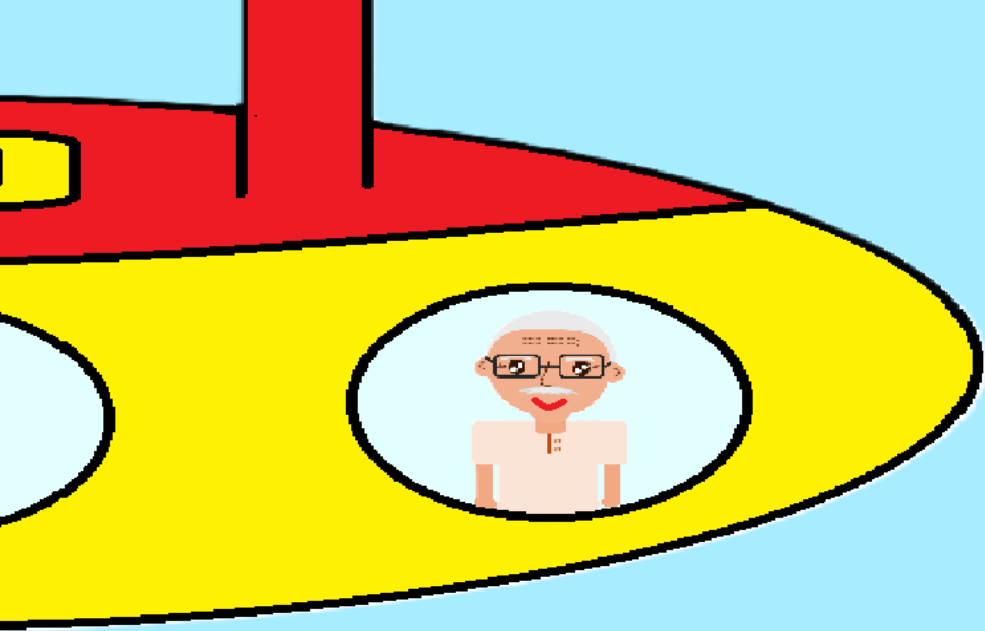
The submarine got even lower, and they felt a bump. The submarine had knocked into a rock.

"Oh no," said Grandpa. "I think we might be stuck."

"Look, what's that?" asked Luca. "It's Imelda the whale, I'm sure she can help." replied Grandpa.

He flashed the submarine lights and Imelda gently nudged the submarine free.





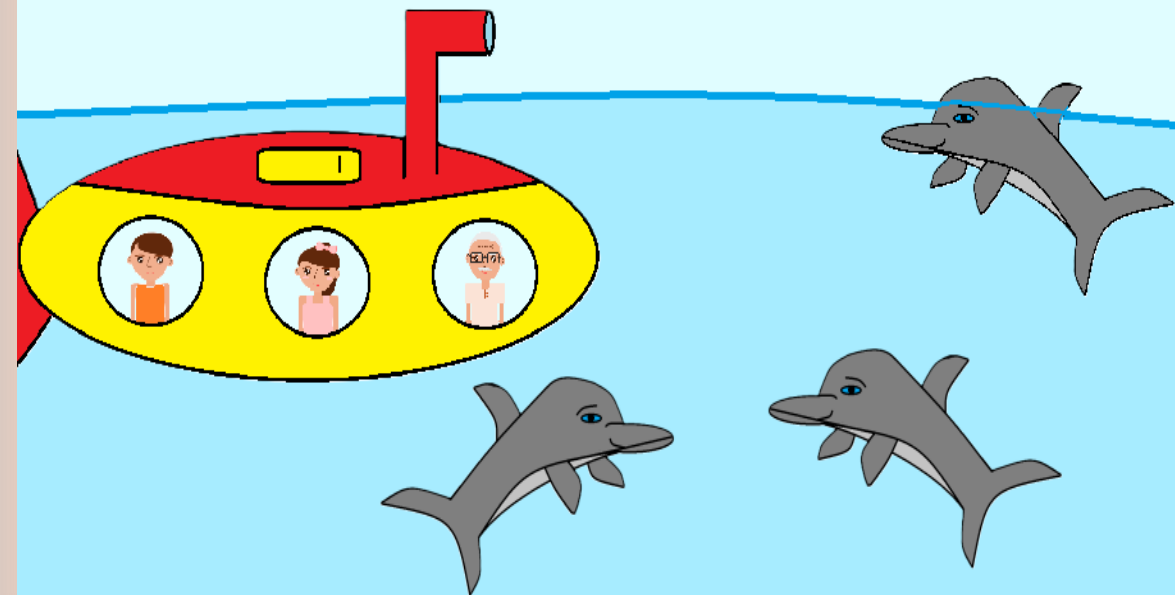
The submarine reached the surface, and there was one more surprise. A pod of dolphins were jumping, playing and having fun.

"That was the best trip ever," said Luca.

"Thanks Grandpa."

Grandpa breathed a sigh of relief and quickly set a course for the surface.

"It's lucky I have a lot of friends down here," he said.



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