Molly series

Molly and the Stormy Sea

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Front cover

Discussion
Look at the cover – what do you see?
Who could this be?
Discuss the author and the illustrator – what do they do?

Activities
Create a treasure hunt sandpit activity.

Inside spread

Discussion
What do you think these are? Shells
Can you count the red ones? How many are there?
Have you collected shells? Where?

Activities
Go on a beach visit or a virtual beach visit.

Pages 6 & 7

Discussion
What is Molly doing?
Discuss feelings.
Have you been worried or frightened? When?

Activities
Sort objects of different materials – wood/ plastic/ metal/ fabric.

Pages 8 & 9

Discussion
What did Molly collect?
I wonder why?
Where is she going?
What is she wearing?
Do you have those clothes?

**Activities**
Create 'my treasure box' as a home/school activity.

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**Pages 10 & 11**
**Discussion**
What time of day is it?
How do you know? What are the clues?
What do you see in the picture?
How many people are on the harbour?
Why are they there?

**Activities**
Create a small world of the island with a harbour, boats & lighthouse.

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**Pages 12 & 13**
**Discussion**
How many cowrie shells were there in the locket?
Let us count them.
How many on the left? How many on the right?

**Activities**
How many cowrie shells were there in the locket?
Let us count them.
How many on the left? How many on the right?
Order & sort different shells.
Use tweezers to sort shells to similar sets.

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**Pages 14 & 15**
**Discussion**
What is Molly doing now?
Why is she doing that?
Where is she standing? On/under/next to etc

**Activities**
Take a doll or teddy bear outdoors – ask the children where is teddy?
He's under the...

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**Pages 16 & 17**
**Discussion**
What did Molly throw into the sea next?
Is it stormy yet?
How do you know?

Activities
Paint pictures to place in the treasure box.

Pages 18 & 19
Discussion
Oh no, what is happening now?
Can you remember the doll’s name?

Activities
Experiment with floating & sinking.
Listen to Ein Alpine Sinfonie (section 18/19 – thunder & tempest)

Pages 20 & 21
Discussion
Can you see Molly’s possessions under the sea.
What else can you spot in the water?

Activities
Create a shoe box aquarium of under the sea.

Pages 22 & 23
Discussion
Can you see the horizon? Point out where it is.
It is a line at the very furthest point away.
What is beginning to peep through the clouds.

Activities
Look at paintings and photographs of seascapes.

Pages 24 & 25
Discussion
What is happening?
Why are the people pointing?
Who’s boat is that?

Activities
Create paper boats. Experiment how many blocs or small teddies can float before the boat sinks.
**Pages 26 & 27**

**Discussion**

Who’s in the boat?
Can you see Molly’s father?
How do you know it is Molly’s father?

**Pages 28 & 29**

**Discussion**

What has Molly’s father got with him?
How did he manage to find them?

**Activities**

Play a ‘what’s disappeared from the tray’ game.

**Pages 30 & 31**

**Discussion**

What is happening now?
How is everyone feeling?
Can you see the seagulls?
What would you do next?

**Activities**

Make thank you cards or a thank you tree.

**Pages 32**

**Discussion**

Information about the author & illustrator – share with the children.

**Back cover**

**Discussion**

What is on the back?
Look at the patterns – spotty/ stripey/ swirlly. Which is your favourite?

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