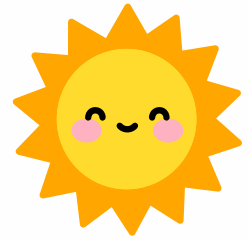


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Building a Sandcastle

Emily and her friend Max love to play at the beach. They enjoy building sandcastles near the water. They use shovels and buckets to shape their sandy towers and walls. Every time they visit, they try to make their castle bigger and more elaborate. One sunny afternoon, while they were building, a wave washed away one side of their castle. Emily and Max were a little upset, but they didn't give up. Instead, they decided to rebuild it farther from the waves. As they were moving, they noticed a little boy watching them. He seemed shy but interested. Emily waved him over and asked if he wanted to help. The boy's name was Leo. Together, the three of them built the biggest sandcastle yet. Max showed Leo how to dig a deep moat, while Emily taught him to make tall towers. By the end of the day, they had not only built a great castle but also made a new friend. Emily and Max were happy that Leo would be there to build more castles throughout the summer.



Short Story and Reading Comprehension



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Write your thoughts

If you were at the beach with Emily, Max, and Leo, what would you add to the sandcastle to make it even more special?

Why do you think it's fun to make new friends like Emily, Max, and Leo did? What do you like to do with your friends?
