

Sarah's Story

Name: _____

1 Complete the following sentences with the best possible sentence ending.

a Sam thought the needle case was too small to be a wallet because _____

b Matron sent Sarah to Australia because _____

c Sarah thought Maggie had stolen her needle case because _____

d Miss Pettigrew was an ideal employer for Sarah because _____

2 Use your knowledge of these verbs to fill in the gaps below.

present tense	past tense	present tense (-ing form)	person who...
	taught		teacher
think		thinking	
	spoke		
			sailor
work			

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- 1 Decide whether these statements about the story are true or false. Write in a line from the book to justify your decision.

a Matron took Sarah to the docks in Cork and wished her good luck.

TRUE	FALSE
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b Many of the people on board caught chicken pox, but Sarah had already had it, so she did not get sick.

TRUE	FALSE
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c Only about a quarter of an iceberg can be seen above the water.

TRUE	FALSE
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d A rat found Sarah's needle case on the floor and dragged it away.

TRUE	FALSE
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e Sarah was offered a job as a gardener at Miss Pettigrew's house.

TRUE	FALSE
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- 2 Which of these experiences were new for Sarah, and which had she experienced before getting on the boat? Circle the correct answer.

Tasting a banana

NEW EXPERIENCE	EXPERIENCED BEFORE
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Learning to sew

NEW EXPERIENCE	EXPERIENCED BEFORE
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Reading and writing

NEW EXPERIENCE	EXPERIENCED BEFORE
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Sailing past an iceberg

NEW EXPERIENCE	EXPERIENCED BEFORE
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Smelling eucalyptus

NEW EXPERIENCE	EXPERIENCED BEFORE
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Tasting coconut

NEW EXPERIENCE	EXPERIENCED BEFORE
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