

MAY AND THE SEA

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My name is May, and I live in
a place that has a lot of fog.

The nights get cold, and the sky
is grey.

'I live in a place that is near the sea,' says my teacher Jack.

I sigh, 'Oh, I want to see the sea! Can we go there?'

'Come with me,' says Jack.

We go up the hill, and the fog starts to clear. The sun comes out, and there is more light.

'This is not the sea. This is a hill near a farm. Here are some cows!' I say.

'We can see more up here,' says Jack, and climbs one more hill.

'Can you see the sea?' Jack asks.

'Not yet! I just see more farms,' I say.

'We can get high up,' he says. 'See that tree?'

There is a tall tree
on this high hill, and I
think I can climb it.

'You can see the sea
from up there, May,'
Jack says.

With some help from
Jack, I climb the tree.

The sun is so warm and
bright here!

'What do you see?' Jack asks.

'I see all the hills and where I live,' I say.

'There!' Jack says and points.

I see a big, blue spot past the hills.

'Is that the sea?' I ask.

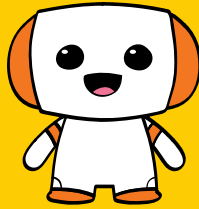
'Yes, May. That is the sea. Do you see ships?'

'Yes! What a sight!'



Next time, Jack says he will
bring me a book on the sea.

But I am so glad I saw it first!



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