

Belle and Flat Stanley: Lost At Sea

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About Our Story

Setting: On the beach in Florida

Characters: Two friends

* Belle, a cow from Wisconsin

* Flat Stanley, a paper boy from Louisiana

Our class wrote this story to share with first grade friends in Wisconsin and Louisiana. Each page was written by four students working together. Mrs. McGowan helped.

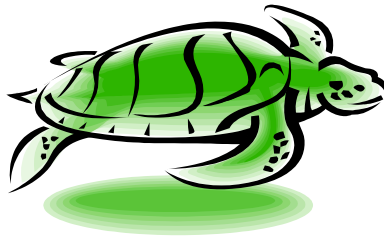
We found out that reading our writing over again helps us to make it better.

Once upon a time Belle and Flat Stanley were on the beach in Florida making a sandcastle. They also made portraits of themselves in the sand. Suddenly a huge wave knocked them down. The sandcastle disappeared and they got washed out to sea.



(By Bridget, Bryce, Gabrielle, Grant)

Then a shark appeared right next to them. He chased them for two and a half minutes. Just before he caught them, a humpback whale went under Belle and Stanley. He blew water out of his spout and splashed his tail down on the shark.



Tommy Turtle was slowly floating by. Belle and Stanley landed on his shell and Tommy took them to an island. They were really happy to be back on land. But where were they?

(By Michalena, Ingrid, Ella, Claire)



Just then, a pelican flew by and dropped a cell phone on the beach. Belle and Stanley called the police. They were in the Grand Bahamas! The police drove them to the airport so they could fly home.

The next afternoon, Belle and Stanley were back on the beach building another sandcastle. We hope there are no more big waves!

(By R. J., Brendan, Shaun, Colin)