



Boy UNDERwater

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Chapter One Comprehension questions (retrieval)

1. What is Cymbeline's surname?

2. How old is he?

3. What is he second-best at?

4. What is he third-best at?

5. What are his mum's four excuses for not going swimming/near water?

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6. Who is his best friend?

7. How many parents does his best friend have?

8. Why does Cymbeline's mum cry at Christmas and on his birthday?

9.	What is his teacher's name?
10.	What day of the week are the swimming lessons?
11.	Who challenges Cymbeline to a swimming race?
12.	What is the name of the swimming pool?
13.	How does Cymbeline describe Veronique?
14.	What nationalities are Veronique's parents?

DISCUSSION POINT: Should it be compulsory for all children to learn to swim? Think about reasons that children should learn to swim and reasons that they shouldn't be forced to swim. When talking, share your own experiences of swimming: Can you swim? When and where did you learn to swim? Do you enjoy swimming?

KS2 ENGLISH NC LINKS:

Pupils should be taught to

- Understand what they read by: asking (and answering) questions to improve their understanding
- Participate in discussions about books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, building on their own and others' ideas and challenging views courteously

