The Beach

Lifeguards patrol beaches. The RNLI means Royal National Lifeboat Institution. Their lifeguards help many people.

Stay safe on the beach:

- · Swim where it is safe.
- Make sure you can swim.
- · Always have an adult with you.
- · Watch the weather.
- · Wear the proper clothing when playing water sports.
- · Shout for help and hold your hand in the air if in trouble
- If you ever see someone else in trouble get a lifeguard or tell an adult.
- · Ask adults if it's safe and look at safety flags.

The Sun

- · Never look up at the sun.
- Always wear sunglasses, suncream and a hat.
- Always stay in the shade between 11am and 3pm.
- · Keep a t-shirt on.
- · Cover your shoulders.
- · Drink lots of water.



Sea Creatures

There are some creatures to be careful around like:

- jellyfish
- · stingrays
- mussels
- · clams
- coral



Flags at the Beach

Bathing Flag



The area is watched by lifeguards.
Between two of these flags is a safe place to swim and use a bodyboard.

Surfing Flag



The area is safe for water activities like surfboarding and kayaking, but not safe for swimming or bodyboarding.

Danger Flag



Danger! NEVER enter the water when you see this flag.

Orange Windsock



Dangerous wind conditions. Never use an inflatable like a rubber ring or dinghy — you could get swept out to sea.





Answer the questions below in full sentences.

1.	Name something you can do to protect your eyes.
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2.	What should you drink lots of?
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3.	Name two creatures that you should be careful around in the sea.
4.	Who patrols the beaches?
5.	What do they do?
6.	What should you wear when playing water sports?

7.	Vhat colour is the flag that means the area is patrolled by lifeguards and is safe??		
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8.	What colour is the flag that means danger?		
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Lifeguards patrol many beaches and save thousands of people every year. Lifeguards from the RNLI (Royal National Lifeboat Institution) helped more than 19,350 people in 2014.

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The Sun

The sun can hurt your eyes and can blind you.

Stay safe in the sun:

- · Never look up at the sun!
- Always wear sunglasses, sun cream and a hat.
- Stay in the shade, especially between 11am and 3pm.
- Keep a t-shirt on and cover your shoulders.
- Drink lots of water.



Sea Creatures

There are some creatures you need to be careful around.

- Never enter the water if you can see jellyfish.
- Try shuffling through the water to avoid startling stingrays or accidentally stepping on them.
- You can graze or cut yourself on mussels, clams and coral. Try wearing water shoes.
- Always seek
 First Aid if
 you have been
 stung, hurt or
 are in
 any doubt!



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Answer the questions below in full sentences.

1. Name two things you can do to protect your eyes.
2. When is it most important to stay in the shade?
3. You should never enter the water if you see which creature?
4. Which creature would you avoid stepping on if you shuffle?
5. What could you wear to protect your feet from getting cut or grazed?
6. What does RNLI stand for?



7. How many people did they help in 2014?		
8. What colour is the flag that means the area is watched by lifeguards?		
9. What does the orange windsock mean?		