

The background of the cover is a vibrant illustration. It shows a child with long brown hair, wearing a red sweater and blue pants, standing on a grey boat deck. The child is pointing their right hand towards a large, bright blue body of water. In the distance, there are green hills with several dark green coniferous trees. The sky is a light blue with soft white clouds. The overall style is colorful and child-friendly.

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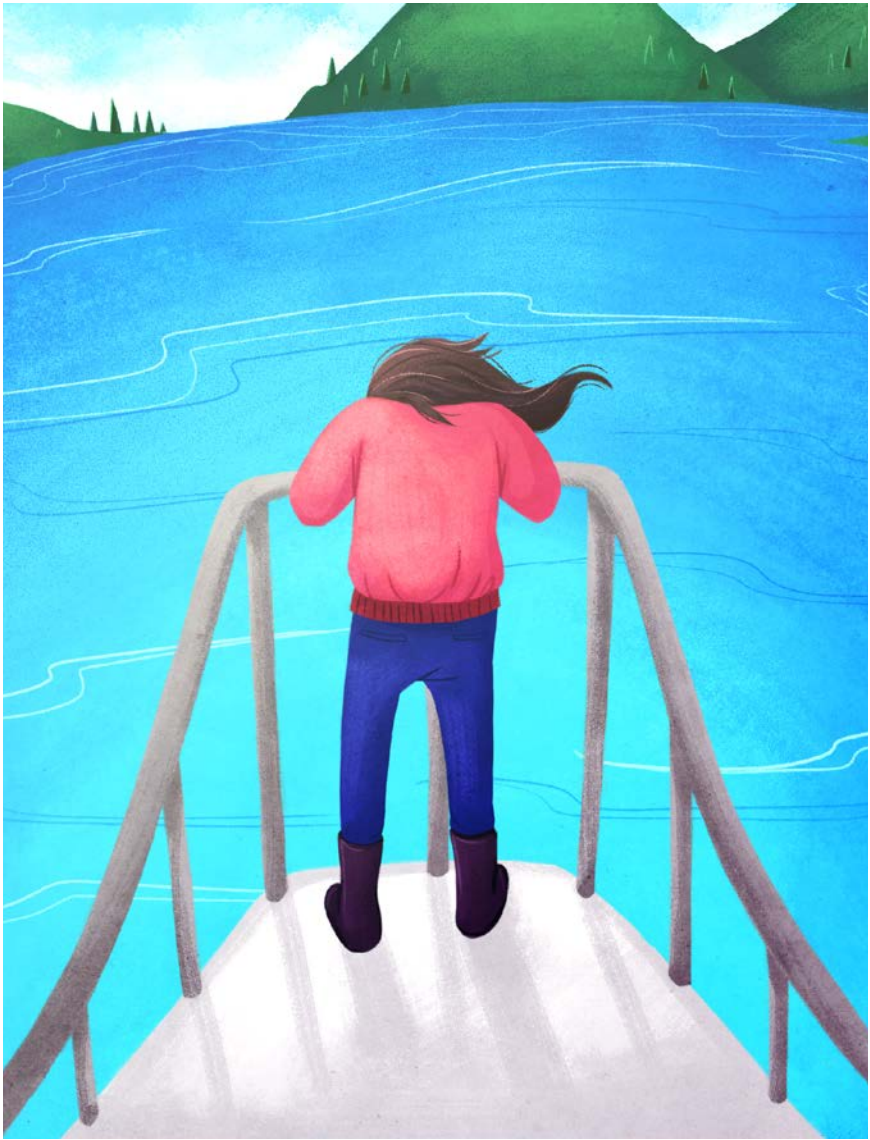
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## Focus Question

Where does the girl  
look for whales?



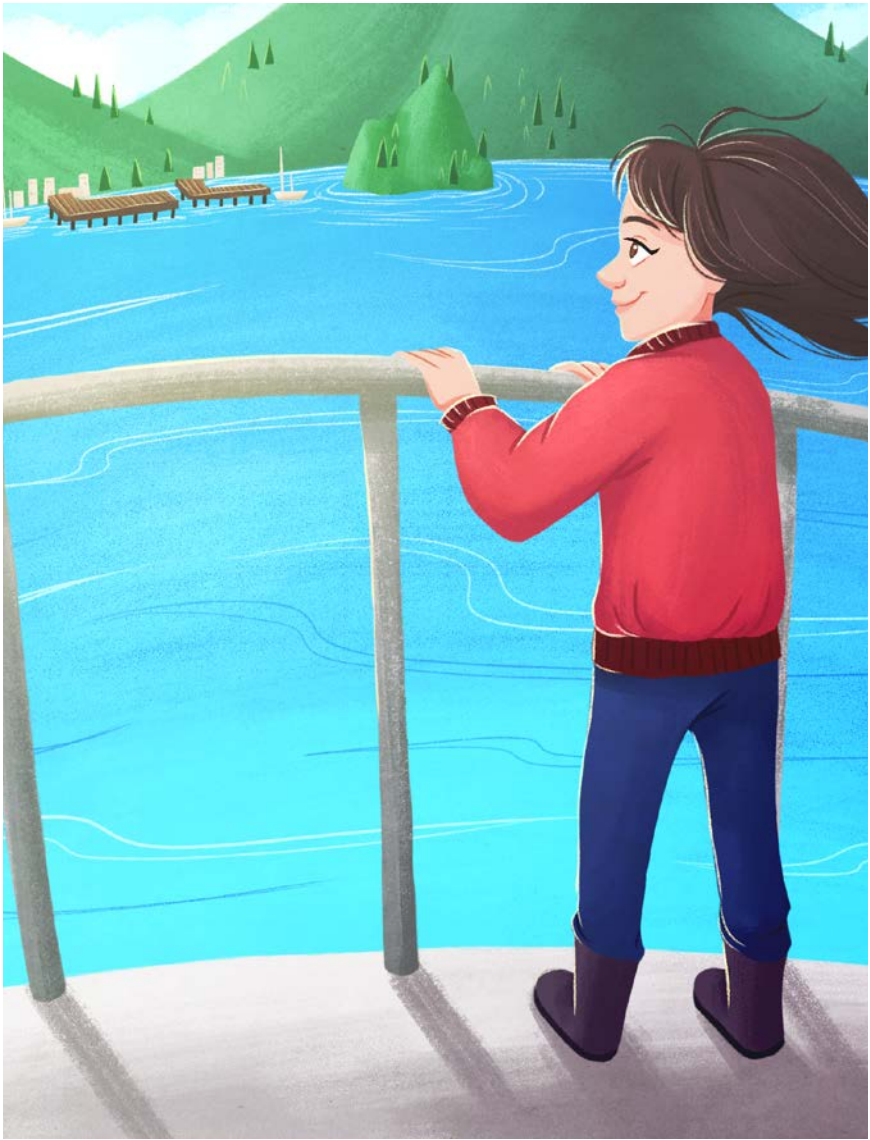
Watching for whales  
is tricky.  
I look carefully  
to spot them.  
I look for a long time.



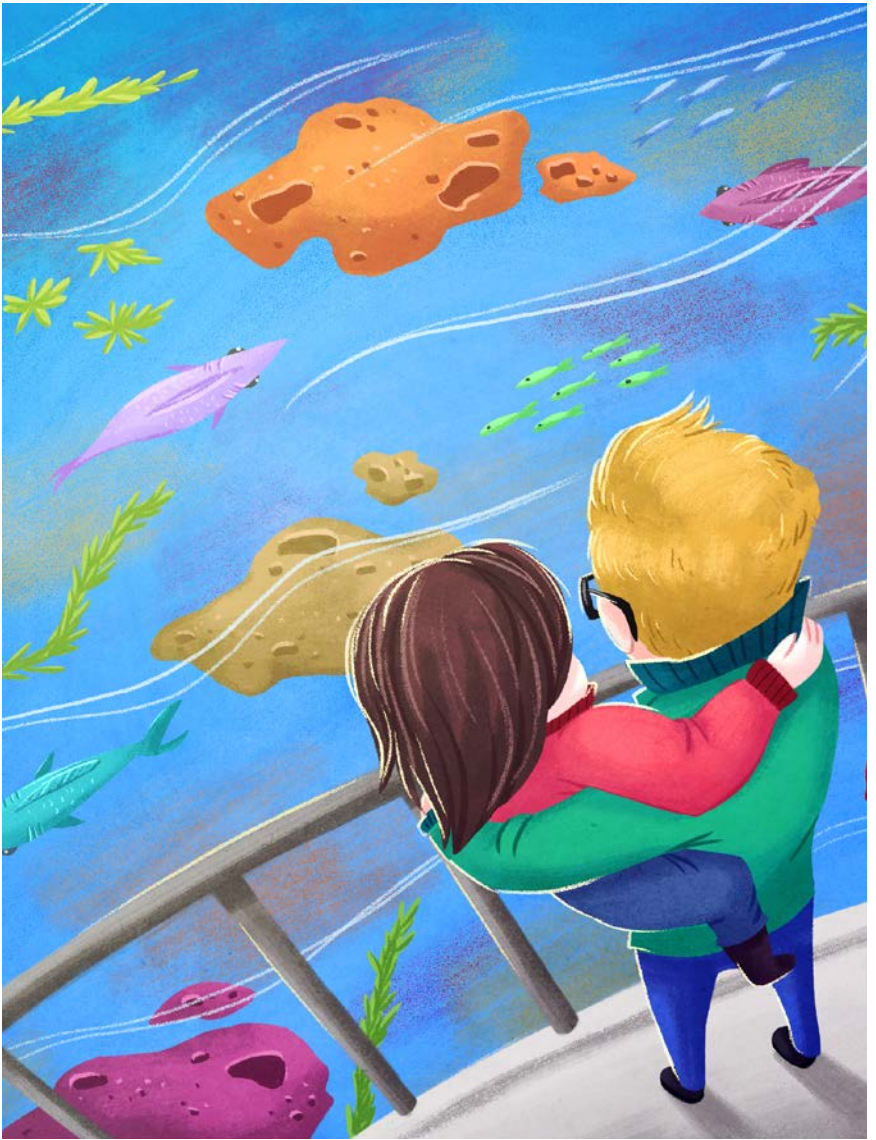
I watch for whales  
near the boat.  
No luck.



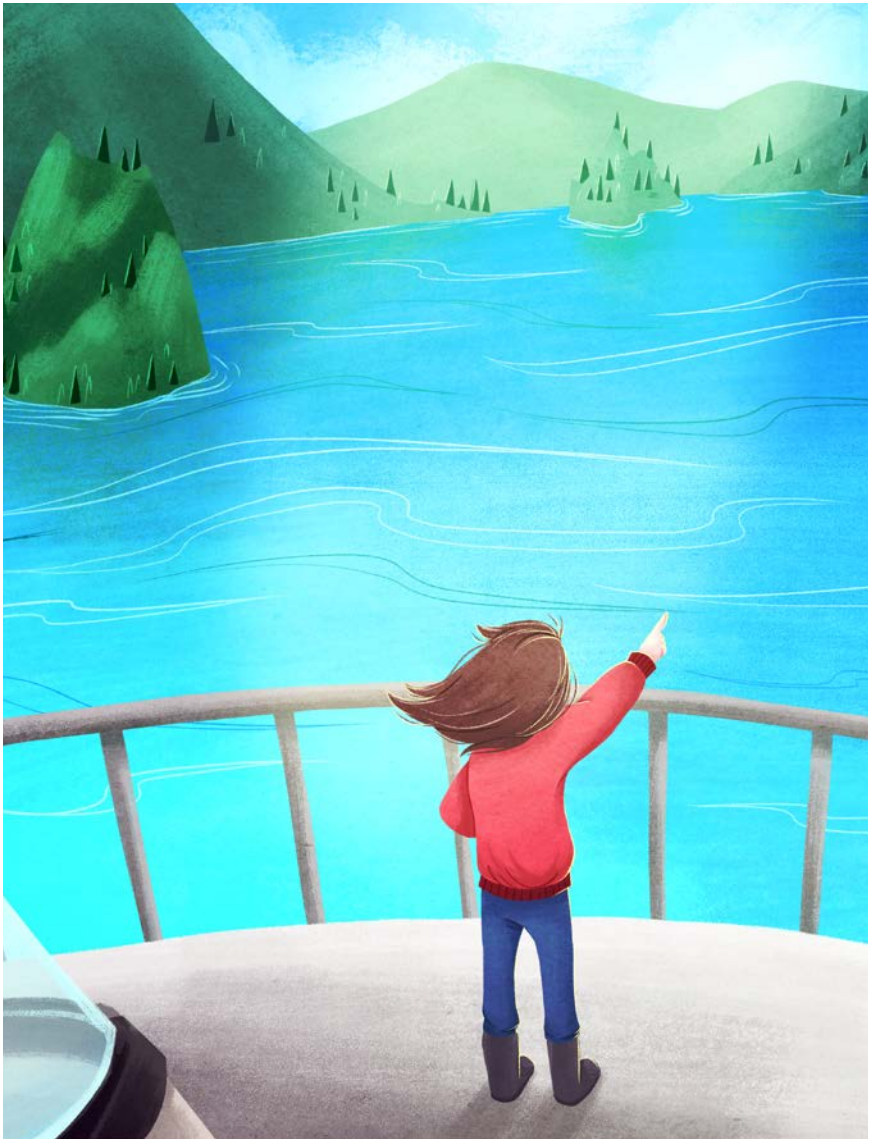
I watch for whales  
out at sea.  
No luck.



I watch for whales  
by the docks.  
No luck.

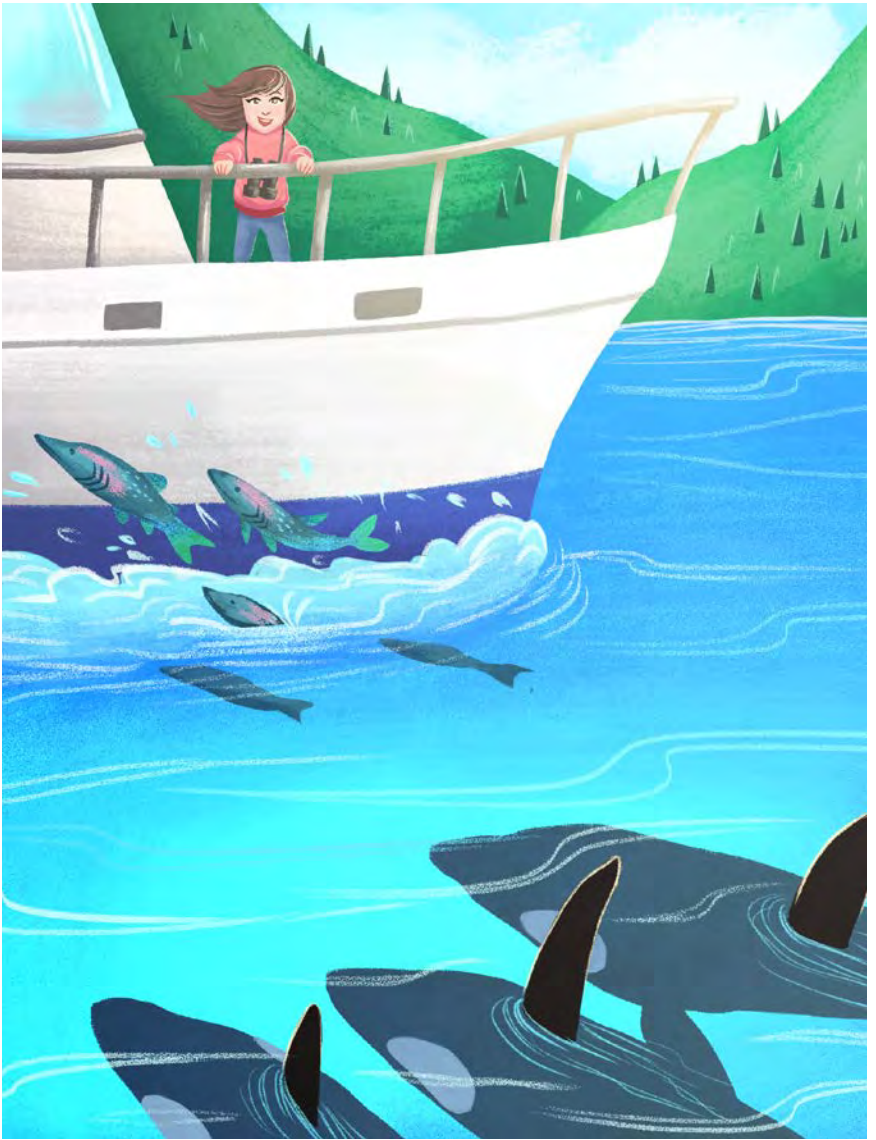


I watch for whales  
near the surface.  
No luck.

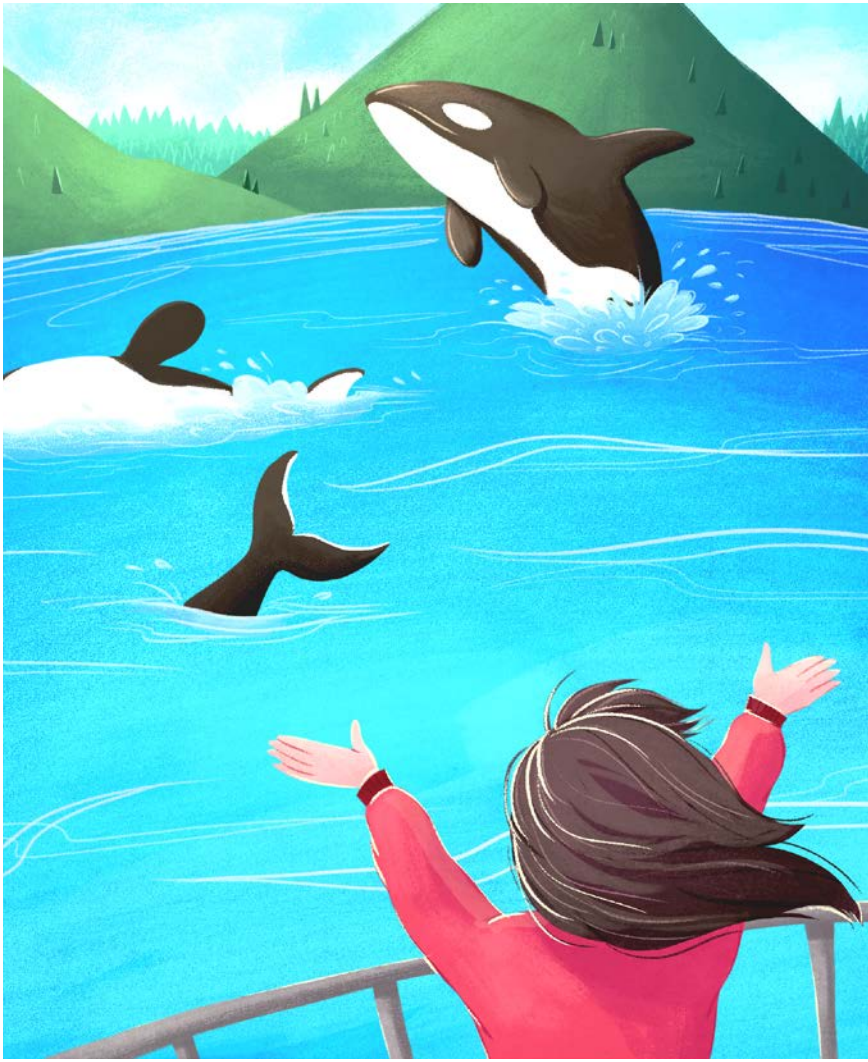


I watch for whales  
in the waves.  
No luck.





I watch for whales  
near the fish.  
I spot three big shapes.



I watch three whales  
follow the fish.  
To spot whales, first spot  
their dinner!

## Words to Know

carefully

docks

spot

surface

tricky

whales

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## Connections

### Writing and Art

Would you like to go whale watching?

Why or why not?

Draw a picture and write about it.

### Science

What other animals could you spot in the ocean?

Share your ideas with a partner.

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