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Equipment: 1 brush (well hidden by someone else!) skewers, string, magnets, paperclips, paperfish, box, wood.

STEP 1. In the beautiful blue waters of the Jewel Sea, lives the beautiful mermaid called Christina. She loves to lie on the rocks on Coconut Beach and brush her hair all day. But today she dropped her brush. *Help Christina find her brush*.

STEP 2. You might think that mermaids don't have that much to do, well you're wrong. If they're not sun-baking on the rocks they are guarding the amazing giant clams so that Sly the shark doesn't steal them. Using your imagination and creative skills make a trap to catch Sly using some string, a box and some wood.

STEP 3. The trap is no good without some bait. While Christina was looking for some fish to lure Sly into your trap, she realized there wasn't many fish around because a big trawler full of fish caught them, and even if there were many fish, it's hard for mermaids to catch them. *Make a fishing rod out of a skewer, string and magnet, and some fish with paper fish and paperclips, and try to catch some fish.*

STEP 4. If a mermaid had one wish it would be to become a human. The only way that would happen is if they save someone's life, but Christina doesn't know anything about saving lives. *Discuss and tell Christina about what to do if someone was drowning*.

STEP 5. That day, a little boy decided to go for a swim at Coconut Beach and soon noticed a rip was pulling him further away from the shore, so far away that he couldn't even touch the bottom and was left there gasping for air. Luckily Christina saw the boy and using your useful steps saved the boy and turned into a human. *Give yourself a pat on the back.*

FEEDBACK:

Survival skills are very important to know. These steps could save someone's life – your best wish won't necessarily come true, but you will get the greatest reward in saving someone's life. This widegame was really interesting.

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