

Student Copy: Week 2 – Sammy Finds His Way Home

Third Grade Reading Comprehension Maze

Student Name _____ Score _____

Sammy was supposed to be back in the hole when the sun came up. His parents had warned him many **(relax, times, and)** that the beach was not a **(round, safe, after)** place to be during the **(day, spent, home)**. He was trying to make it **(right, back, sing)** but he had wandered too far. **(Lonely, Breath, The)** first rays of sunlight were beginning **(wind, feather, to)** come up at the horizon. Sammy **(happy, hurried, frozen)**. He crawled sideways up the shore. **(Suddenly, Drove, Soak)**, he was kicked away by a **(down, past, giant)** foot. He landed even farther away. **(He, Painted, When)** jumped up and shook some of **(the, hole, tore)** loose sand from his claw. He **(collar, began, earn)** crawling again, this time faster. Sammy could **(smile, feel, watch)** the trembling of the ground and **(then, lonely, they)** he saw it. A giant was **(from, very, coming)** his way. Each step the giant **(forever, seat, took)** rumbled the earth and splashed water **(noise, joyously, all)** around. Sammy ran quickly to get **(deep, out, behind)** of the way, first this way **(and, after, measure)** then that way. He hurried toward **(tasty, meeting, the)** waves and crashed into the water. **(The, Water, Tore)** giant continued walking on by. He **(was, thumb, topped)** safe for now, but he needed **(places, to, flag)** find his hole. His parents would **(stop, kindly, be)** worried sick. Sammy cautiously ventured out **(sea, of, boiling)** the water. He crawled up and **(small, down, rhyme)** the shore, searching for any sign **(of, strange, early)** his parents. Without warning, Sammy was **(torn, puzzled, scooped)** up and dumped on the ground **(watched, told, in)** a large pile of sand. He tried climbing up over the **(sand, rub, lay)**. It was too steep. He tried **(picky, again, talent)**. This time, he made it over **(operation, the, bitter)** large mound of dirt. He scurried **(away, copper, early)**, but he could feel the ground **(trembling, begun, stripe)** again. Something was coming up behind **(finish, him, baby)**. He began to panic. He turned **(around, pretty, hurry)** quickly and saw the small giant **(coming, riddle, measure)** for him. Then, before he knew **(helpful, what, present)** happened, he tumbled down into a **(relax, huge, hole)**. When he looked around, he saw **(agree, slowly, that)** he was home! Whew! He was **(behind, safe, without)**. Sammy learned that his parents were **(slope, motion, right)**. The beach was not a safe **(place, respect, punch)** for a small fiddler crab during **(the, dog, news)** day.