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Using Linking Devices in Narrative Paragraphs

Underline the linking phrases/clauses in the following narrative paragraphs.

There are eight to find.

Professor Fizz's Potion

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Almost immediately, Professor Fizz began to feel very strange. In a matter of seconds, his eyes started to feel very hot. A few minutes later, the hairs on his arms and legs started to twitch. While that was happening, he heard a strange whistling sound coming from inside his ears. Professor Fizz hoped that he wouldn't have any more strange reactions to his potion!



Write a linking phrase or clause at the beginning of these sentences.

Try to link the ideas in the three sentences together.

1. _____ , Professor Fizz went to see his friend.
2. _____ , his friend told him to get some rest.
3. _____ , Professor Fizz felt much better.

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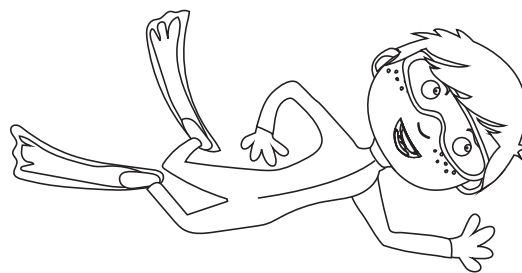
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Fill in the blank spaces in the narrative paragraphs below by choosing the correct linking phrase or clause from the table.

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He felt the icy water cover him like a blanket. _____, he could see rainbow fish darting out of the coral. _____, he felt calm and happy. _____, a giant shark appeared out of nowhere. _____, the diver swam furiously back towards his boat. He decided never to dive in this part of the ocean ever again!



Slowly but surely	For a few minutes
One by one	When he opened his eyes
Knowing the time had come	Just then
Without another thought	In a few seconds

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Match the correct sentence beginning with the correct sentence ending

Beth's Birthday



When the lights went out...

... all of Beth's friends sang *Happy Birthday* to her.

In the light of the candle...

... the candle on the chocolate cake shone brightly.

While they were singing...

... Beth thanked her friends for their beautiful singing.

When the song was over...

... she jumped into her comfy bed and fell fast asleep.

To thank them for coming...

... she decided to have a nice, warm shower.

When she was finished...

... she brushed her teeth and got ready for bed.

When she got out...

... Beth swayed back and forth in time with the music.

After such an exciting day...

... Beth wrote special letters to all of her friends.

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