

## Year 2 Summer English Activity Booklet

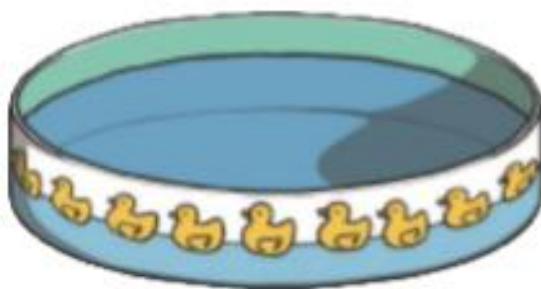
Read the beginning of the story **Aziz's Beach** and answer the following questions.

### Aziz's Beach

It was a boiling hot summer day on the Cherry Tree Estate. Aziz and his friends were feeling grumpy. It was too warm inside. It was too warm outside. "What we need," said Aziz, "is a beach!" His friends all started laughing. Aziz always had a crazy plan. "We live in a block of flats miles away from the beach!" giggled Aziz's friend Leah, trying to hold back tears of laughter. "My dad is at work, and so is your mum. We could never get to the beach in a million years!"



But Aziz was not put off. First, he went to the builders, who were building a wall outside. "Please can I have some of your sand?" asked Aziz. "I'm making a beach," he told them proudly. The builders started chuckling so hard they nearly fell over. "You've made our day with that," sniggered one of the builders, "and just for that son, you can have this bag of sand!"



Next, Aziz went to the shop on the corner. It was a treasure trove that sold everything, from rubber rings to tins of beans. "I don't have any money," sighed Aziz to the shopkeeper, "but I need a paddling pool. It's not for me, it's for a beach." The shopkeeper beamed. "What a cheeky boy you are!" she chortled. "And just for your cheekiness, I will give you an extra large blow-up paddling pool and throw in some buckets and spades for free too. As long as I can visit your beach when it's finished!" she smirked.

Aziz panted home, carrying his heavy load. On the way, he passed by a cheerful, tinkling ice cream van. The man in the van looked tired and bored.