

**We Didn't Mean To Go To Sea (Summary): Read and arrange them in the correct order.**

The wind is now calm. The children are safe. In the morning, Susan suggests turning back to Harwich (near to Pin Mill), but John disagrees. He wants to go to the harbour in Holland and send a telegram to Mother and Jim to tell them where they are. On the way, they rescue a cat. They name it 'Sinbad'	<b>6</b>
Jim Brading invites John Walker and his other siblings Susan, Titty, and Roger to his yacht, the <i>Goblin</i> . He asks for Mrs. Walker's permission to take the children on a river cruise. She is reluctant but finally agrees.	<b>2</b>
The Walkers arrive in Pin Mill the day before. They are here to meet their father, Commander Walker who is coming back from China.	<b>1</b>
John realizes the anchor is too short to reach the bottom of the sea. The tide pulls them past the Beach End buoy. They almost hit a buoy so they put up the sails and steer the yacht. Susan is worried because they have promised their mother not to go out to the sea. However, John decides to go on out to the sea to get away from the shoals. They cannot turn back due to the fog. At the same time, Titty and Susan become seasick.	<b>4</b>
They buy some supplies for their journey and five pairs of Dutch wooden shoes to bring back home. The children are happy that their Father is with them.	<b>9</b>
The <i>Goblin</i> is now out at sea. Two hours later, rain comes with strong winds. Susan and John decide to turn back. John tries to steer but the wind is too strong. They are forced to sail back to the open sea. There is a lot of water in the yacht, they have to pump the water out.  On the same day, Mrs. Walkers receives a telegram from Commander Walker that he will arrive in England soon.	<b>5</b>

When they get to the buoy safely, the pilot gives them charts for the North Sea so that they can sail back home. The children tell their father that Mother and Jim do not know about what has happened to them. Father gets helps from a friend to send a telgram to mother from Shotley.	<b>8</b>
Then, they see a pilot ship. They use a blue and white flag to get the pilot ship to help them. John asks his other siblings to pretend as adults and act like there is a party down in the cabin. The pilot guides the <i>Goblin</i> to Flushing (a port in Holland). There, John sees his father and calls out to him from the ferry.	<b>7</b>
The next day, they sail back to England. Jim has had an accident and is now worried about the children. Suddenly, someone tells him that the <i>Goblin</i> is coming in from the Cork lightship. He rows out to see the yacht. They children are happy to see Jim.	<b>10</b>
The next morning, they try to sail back from the Beach End Buoy. But there is no wind to sail the yacht so they have to use the engine. Then, the engine stops because there is no petrol. Jim anchors the boat and decided to go ashore to get some petrol. He leaves the children in the yacht and gets John to take charge.  After six hours, Jim has not returned. They become worried. Suddenly, the ship starts moving because the anchor has come off from the bottom of the sea.	<b>3</b>
When Mother meets them, she starts to question them about their promise to come back earlier and the bandages on Jim's head. Then, Father appears from the cabin and Mother thinks that they have met him in Harwich. When she finds out that they have come back from the sea, Mother gets upset with Jim because he breaks his promise. Father tells Mother that it is not Jim's fault, he then leaves with her and explain to her about everything that has happened. He wants her to know that the children did not mean to go to sea.	<b>11</b>