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| 11  25  40  48  60  76  83  95  108  109  122  138  140  151  167  171 | Song of the Sea  Tomas often watched the whales having fun as they jumped and frolicked in the sea. From the rocks, he could survey the beach and see the whales, too. Tomas liked to sing to them. He would step from one rock to the next as he sang each note.  One time, Tomas was meandering along the rocks when he spotted an odd shape on the beach. It was a whale! A subtle twitch of the whale’s fin let Tomas know that it was alive.  Tomas looked out at the sea. Two whales emerged from the waves and flapped their fins at Thomas. He thought, “That must be this whale’s family!”  Tomas’s sister Rosa was on the beach. She wanted to find out how the whale got there, but there was no time to inquire about it. She ran to get help.  Tomas was tormented by the whale’s sad state. He hovered over the whale, upset that he could not help it. “What can I do?” he said. “I must help this whale!” |

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