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83 announces a game. "The first to build a sandcastle
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Questions



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He announces a game.

He splashes in the sea.



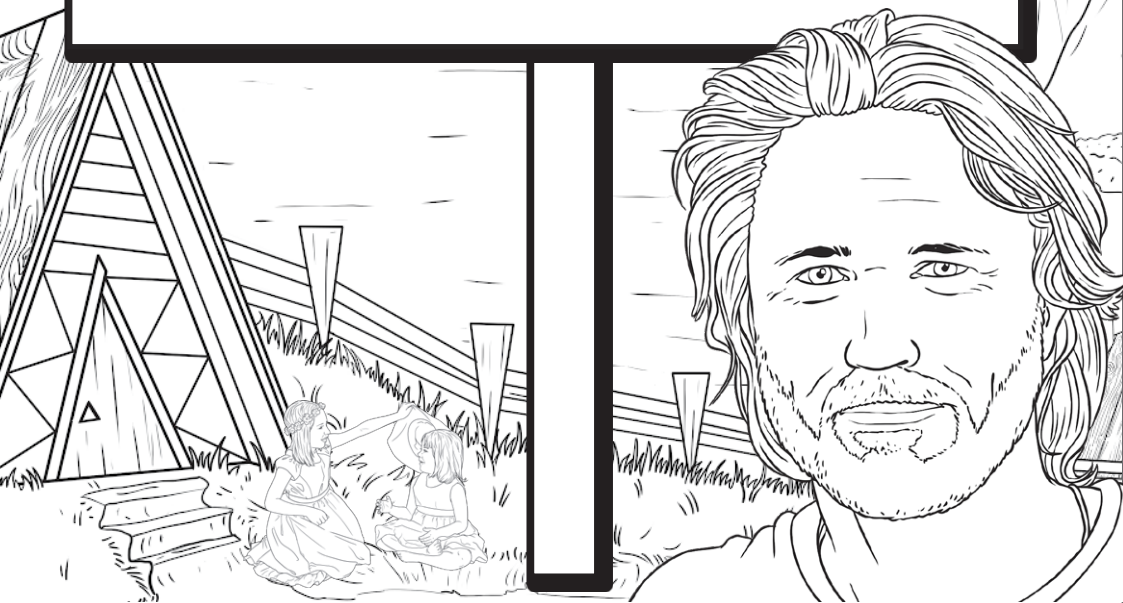
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Pupils' own responses, such as: The word booming suggests that his laughter is loud and deep.



4. The author uses the word **whips** to describe the wind. What impression does this give us?

Pupils' own responses, such as: The impression that the word 'whips' gives us is that the wind is blowing quickly.