

# Sara Learns to Swim

**Genre:** Fiction **Reading Level:** 300L **Grade:** 1st

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Sara stands at the edge of the pool. She feels nervous. The water looks deep 16  
and cold. 18

"Come on, Sara!" calls her swim teacher, Miss Kelly. "You can do it!" 30

Sara remembers what Miss Kelly taught her. She takes a deep breath. Then she 44  
jumps into the water with a big splash! 52

The water feels cool on her skin. Sara kicks her legs like Miss Kelly showed 67  
her. She moves her arms back and forth. Sara is swimming! 78

"Great job!" says Miss Kelly with a smile. "Keep going!" 88

Sara swims all the way across the pool. When she gets to the other side, she 104  
holds onto the wall. She feels so proud of herself. 115

"I did it!" Sara shouts happily. 121

Her mom and dad clap from the side of the pool. They are so proud of Sara 138  
too. 139

Sara cannot wait to come back next week. Swimming is fun! 150

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS:

1. How does Sara feel at the beginning of the story?
2. Who is Sara's swim teacher?
3. What does Sara do with her arms and legs to swim?
4. How do Sara's feelings change from the beginning to the end of the story?