



History

Lesson 1

The RNLI



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What do you think the RNLI is?
What do you think they do?



What is the RNLI?

The letters RNLI stand for

Royal **N**ational **L**ifeboat **I**nstitution.

Their job is to **rescue people** out at sea and close to the beaches in the lifeboat.



What is the RNLI?

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The RNLI help people who get into difficulties in the water. Every day of the year, people of all backgrounds get into danger in the water.

The RNLI have a **24 hour a day, 7 day a week search and rescue service** to help look for anybody missing at sea. Every year, the volunteer lifeboat crews help and rescue thousands of people.

They have saved over **142,700 lives since 1824**.

The RNLI also educate children on how to be safe in the water.

They try to reduce the amount of people getting into danger and show children what to do in an emergency.



What do the RNLI do?

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RNLI lifeboat crews protect hundreds of communities around the UK and Ireland 24 hours a day.

They have the safest, most reliable lifeboats.

The lifeboat stations are very modern and have up to date technology.

This allows the crew to get to where they need to be as quickly as they can.



What do the RNLI do?

As well as saving people out at sea, the RNLI also train people to be lifeguards on the beaches of the UK.

The lifeguards patrol over **240 beaches** across the UK and Channel Islands.

In 2018, the lifeguards helped **32,207 people** and saved **118 lives**.



What do the RNLI do?

There are **238 lifeboat stations** around the UK and Ireland.

Most are situated on the coastline but some are placed on busy rivers too.

The busiest RNLI station is on the **River Thames** in London.



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What do the RNLI do?

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The men and women who work on the lifeboats are called the **'crew'**.

The crew wear a **drysuit, helmet, life jacket and gloves.**

All the crew have to complete important training to work on the lifeboats.



Partner Talk

Talk to your partner and tell them one thing you have learnt so far about the RNLI.



Independent Activity

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Your task now is to write an
information text about the RNLI.

Think carefully about the
information you want to include.

Write about the RNLI here.

What is the RNLI? ★★

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Draw a picture of
the RNLI life boat
or the crew here.

