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1. Find and underline the phrase which shows that the character almost died. The last time of these two had well-nigh been fatal to me



2. Where do you think the man was before he ended up in the water?

On board a ship



3. Where do you think the man has been shipwrecked? Predict what you think he will do next immediately after this extract.

Give credit to search the island, find food, shelter etc



4. Find and copy five words from the text which show the speed and power of the sea.



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5. Where did the waves begin to get smaller?

Nearer to the land



6. How does the characters mood change throughout the extract? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.

Accept any relevant answers

Sailors would sometimes write a message and put it in a bottle. Write down what you think this sailor's message would be.