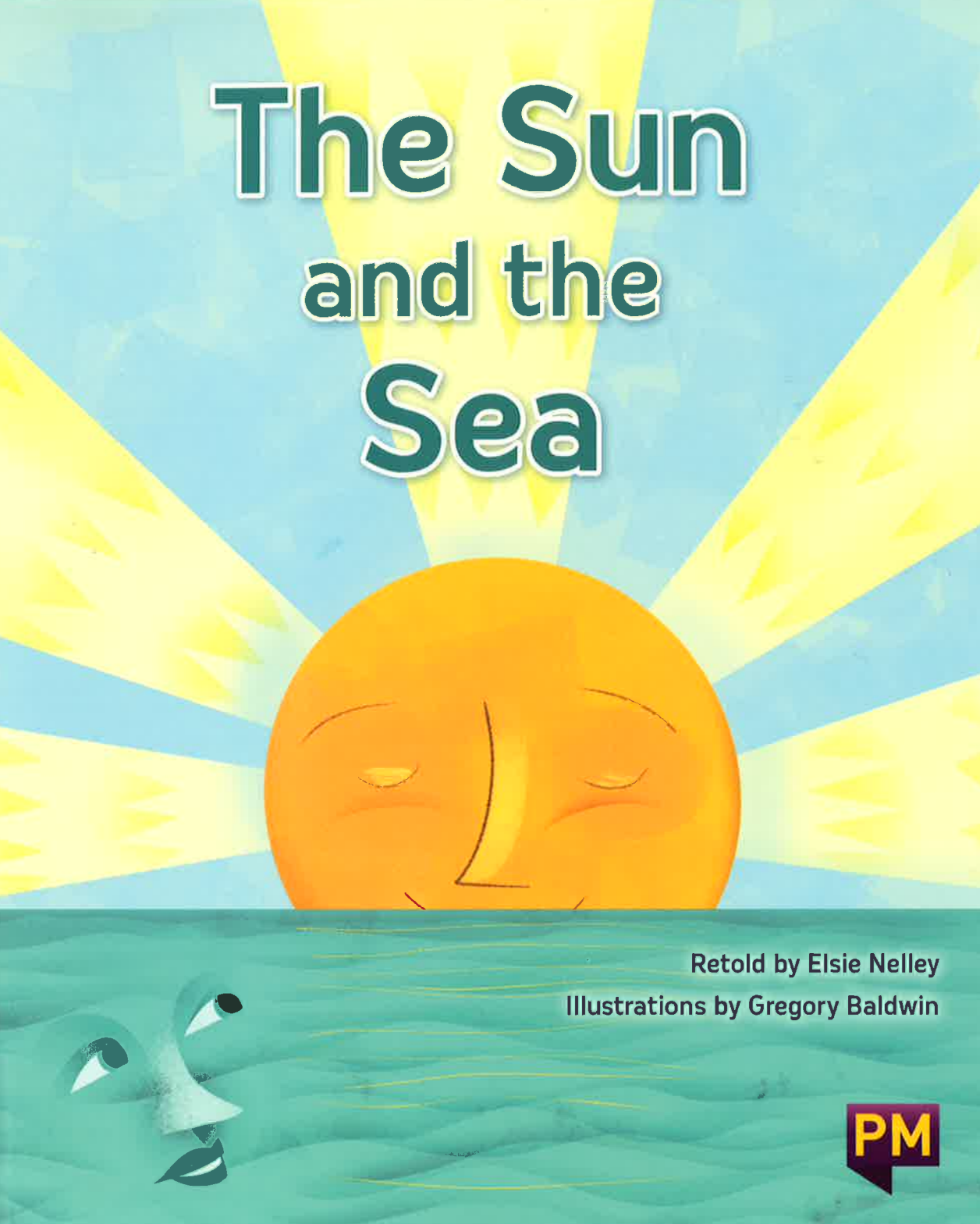
The Sun and the Sea



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Level 17

Running Words 384 **Text Type** Narrative (Imaginative)

Curriculum Areas Literacy; Literature

Retelling to encourage critical thinking about the content

Ask each student to retell the story in his or her own words.

Record the retelling for further discussion and reflection.

Questions to reinforce meaning and stimulate discussion

Literal

Why did Sun want Sea to come to his house?

What did some little fish do to have fun?

Why did Sun jump into the sky?

When does Sun meet his friend, Sea, now?

Inferential

Why did Sea know that Sun's house was going to be too small?

Why did Sun say that his house was big?

Why was Sun surprised when he saw some big fish under the table?

Why was it noisy inside Sun's house?

Links with other PM Guided Reading Books and Cards

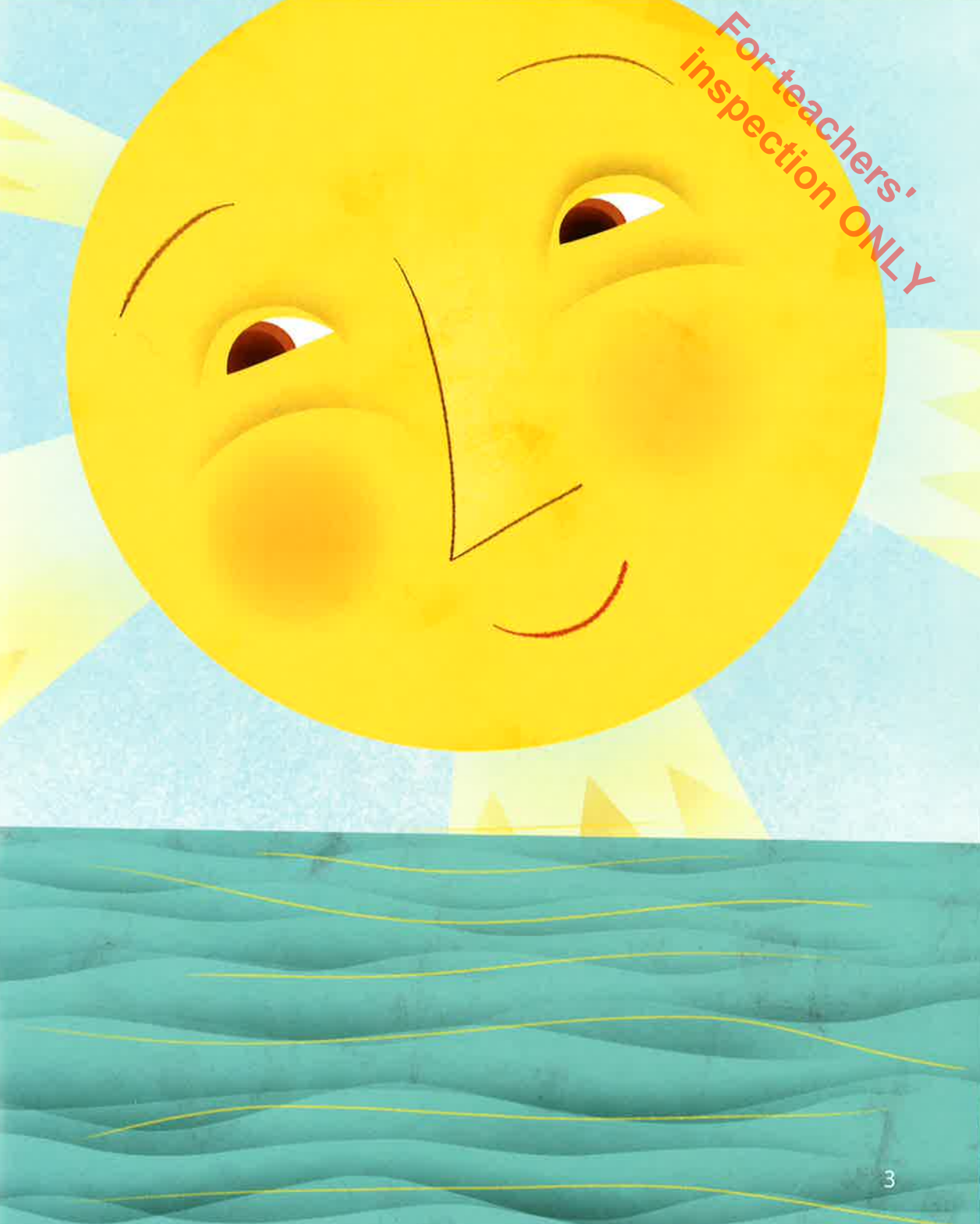
Level 17	Card	Recount	*From Sunset to Sunrise*
Level 17	Book	Narrative	*What a Day!*
Level 18	Book	Narrative	*The Princess and the Pea*

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Once upon a time,
Sun did not live in the sky.
He lived in a house near a beach.

Sun and Sea were friends.
Every day, Sun went down to the water
to talk with his friend.





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One day, Sun said to Sea,
"I always come to see you.
You have never been to my house."

"I would love to come," said Sea.
"But I would have to bring my family, too.
Your house is too small for all of us."



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"No!" cried Sun. "My house is not too small.
My house is big. Please come."

"Very well," said Sea.
"My family and I will come tomorrow."



The next morning, Sun heard Sea call out, "Hello, my friend. My family and I are here."

Sun opened his front door.
Sea and some of her family
began to come inside Sun's house.



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First, some brown crabs
crawled across the doorway.
Then, some small sea stars came in.

Sun smiled. "Your family is beautiful," he said.

