



**Series:** The Ocean Fairies

**Book:** Amelie the Seal Fairy

### **Magic Lantern**

“Look at the lighthouse, Rachel!” Kirsty Tate exclaimed to her best friend, Rachel Walker. “Isn’t it beautiful?”

Rachel shaded her eyes from the sun and gazed at the lighthouse. The tall, newly painted red and white building stood proudly among the rocks at the harbour entrance. “It’s lovely,” Rachel agreed admiringly. “It looks so much better than it did before.”

“Everyone in town helped raise the money to renovate the lighthouse and turn it into an artists’ studio,” Kirsty’s gran explained. Kirsty and Rachel were spending the spring holiday with her in the coastal resort of Leamouth. “There’s been a lot of work going on since the last time you were here.”

Rachel and Kirsty glanced at each other and smiled. On their previous visit to Leamouth, they’d met Shannon the Ocean Fairy and the girls had helped her to recover the three precious Enchanted Pearls that had been stolen by Jack Frost and his naughty goblin servants.

Now Rachel and Kirsty were in the middle of another thrilling fairy adventure. At the start of their holiday, King Oberon and Queen Titania had invited the girls to come to the Fairyland Ocean Gala which was held on the beach outside the Royal Aquarium.

There, Rachel and Kirsty had seen Shannon again, as well as her friends, the seven Ocean Fairies - Ally the Dolphin Fairy, Amelie the Seal Fairy, Pia the Penguin Fairy, Tess the Sea Turtle Fairy, Stephanie the Starfish Fairy, Whitney the Whale Fairy and Courtney the Clownfish Fairy.

The highlight of the Ocean Gala was the moment when Shannon played the Magical Golden Conch Shell, which would bring peace and order to the oceans of Fairyland

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and the human world for the coming year.

But just as she was about to do so, wicked Jack Frost had appeared and ordered his goblins to grab the Golden Conch Shell. As the goblins argued and fought with each other, the shell had fallen to the ground and shattered into seven shining pieces.

Immediately a bolt of icy magic from Jack Frost's wand had sent the pieces whirling away into the human world, leaving Rachel, Kirsty and the fairies horrified. They knew that without the Golden Conch Shell, there would be chaos in the oceans.

"Last time we were in Leamouth, Jack Frost was up to his old tricks," Kirsty whispered to Rachel, as her gran walked off along the path to the lighthouse. "And now we're back again, so is he! We must find all the pieces of the Conch Shell, Rachel, so that it can be put back together again."

"Don't forget that the Magical Ocean Creatures will be guarding those missing pieces," Rachel reminded her.

Luckily, Queen Titania had acted quickly after mean Jack Frost and his goblins had vanished. Inside the Royal Aquarium, she'd shown the girls the seven Magical Ocean Creatures who belonged to the Ocean Fairies – a dolphin, a seal, a penguin, a turtle, a starfish, a whale and a clownfish, all of them glittering faintly with golden fairy magic. Then, with a wave of the queen's wand, the creatures had vanished.

Queen Titania's spell had sent them into the human world to seek out and guard the seven missing fragments of shell until Kirsty, Rachel and the Ocean Fairies could find them and bring them back to Fairyland.

"Yes, but Jack Frost knows about Queen Titania's spell now, and he's sent his goblins to look for the shell pieces, too," Kirsty pointed out anxiously.

"Well, we helped Ally and Echo the dolphin take the first piece safely back to Fairyland, didn't we?" Rachel replied. "Now we just have to wait for the magic to come to us again!"

"Girls, come along," Kirsty's gran called. "I don't want to be late for my painting

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class." Kirsty and Rachel ran to catch up with her.

As they approached the lighthouse, they saw that a line of easels had been set up outside, overlooking the ocean. There were people sitting at some of the easels, painting views of the water and the lighthouse.

"Maybe you'd like to explore the lighthouse for a while, girls," Gran suggested as she headed for an empty easel.

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