



# Choosing our goldfish

Pablo and María went to the pet store with dad. They had to choose a goldfish to take home. They saw a little one they liked and asked dad if he thought it was alright. "It's very pretty!" said dad. The children loved its colors: It was white with orange patches on its head and body. The storekeeper told them it was a "comet" goldfish and that it was very hardy.







# Welcome!

On the way home, María was thinking of a good name for their new pet. She wanted to call it *Goldy* and Pablo agreed. When they arrived home, the children took the bag with the fish and placed it inside the aquarium, so that *Goldy* could



get used to his new home. After half an hour, mum helped them to put the fish in the aquarium. She used a small net to take the fish out of the bag, to avoid mixing the water from the store with that of the aquarium. Everything had been ready for several days: the water, gravel, plants and decoration.



# A very curious fish

*Goldy* appears to love the aquarium. He swims quickly between the plants and hides behind the branch and then swims up to the stream of bubbles coming out of the filter. During the first few days, he got scared when he approached the glass or when they took the cover off to feed him. He hid behind a branch and waited for a while until he felt safer. "Why does he hide?" said María. "Because he doesn't know us yet!" Pablo told her. "You'll see how quickly he gets used to you".

