Why that one?

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Tick the reason it is that one.

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Shout for help first, every single time.

1. They are close to the poolside, near enough to reach, and you use the pull noodle. Why that one?

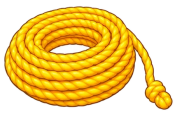


A pull noodle

- [x] Because you can reach them with it and still stay back, where they can't grab you and pull you in.
- [ ] Because you can't reach that far, so you throw them something to hold on to and pull them in.
- [ ] Because you need something you can throw to them and still swim back with a big gap between you.

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2. They are out in the middle, too far to reach, and you throw a rope, a torpedo or a life ring. Why those?



A rope



A torpedo



A life ring

- [ ] Because you can reach them with it and still stay back, where they can't grab you and pull you in.
- [x] Because you can't reach that far, so you throw them something to hold on to and pull them in.
- [ ] Because you need something you can throw to them and still swim back with a big gap between you.

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3. You are already in the water when you see someone struggling, and you take the torpedo. Why that one and not the rope or the life ring?



A torpedo

- [ ] Because you can reach them with it and still stay back, where they can't grab you and pull you in.
- [ ] Because you can't reach that far, so you throw them something to hold on to and pull them in.
- [x] Because you need something you can throw to them and still swim back with a big gap between you.

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How we teach it, in Samantha's words

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How far away they are decides whether you reach or throw, and keeping a gap decides the rest. If someone is within arm's reach we use a pull noodle, kneeling down and staying back, because they could get hold of you and pull you into the pool. If they are out in the middle, the person stays on the poolside and throws the torpedo, the life ring or the rope. And if you are already in the water, you use the torpedo, because you can throw it out to them and then swim back with them still quite a way away from you, so that you are not in danger of being pulled under.