



# LITTLE BOY LOST IS FOUND SAFE

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A MISSING six-year-old boy came wandering back from the dead yesterday . . . while a massive search went on for his body.

Rescuers had given up hope of finding little Andrew Byk alive after he vanished from a beach near Port Isaac, Cornwall, on Wednesday.

Andrew, who was on holiday with his parents and two brothers was wearing only bathing trunks and the beach is covered in water except at low tide.

A search by police, coastguards and helicopter crews failed to find any trace of him.

The hunt was about to

be called off when Andrew, of Woodlands Close, Bromley, Kent, was found by farmer Jack Lobb, 65, in a field a mile from the beach.

## Lesson

Still dressed only in his trunks, he told Mr. Lobb that he had been trying to find his way back to the beach.

He had eaten grass to keep off his hunger, and kept warm during the night by covering himself in bracken.

Police said: "He has

given us all a lesson in survival technique. He must be a very tough young man."

Andrew's father, paper manufacturer Peter Byk, said: "My wife and I had resigned ourselves to the fact that we had lost him. I still can hardly believe it's true."

Port Isaac RNLI crew are:  
 Front, left to right: Dugald Sproull, Harry Pavitt, Peter Rowe, David Bolton  
 Back, left to right: Ted Childs, unknown, Barry Slater, David Castle, Neville Andrews, Bob Young, Clive Martin (standing), Mark Provis, Ian Honey, unknown, Chris Key