A Summary of Finding Nemo
(Adapted from Wikipedia - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Finding_Nemo)

Two clownfish, Marlin and his wife Coral, are admiring their new home in the Great Barrier Reef and their clutch of eggs that are due to hatch in a few days. Suddenly, an Australian barracuda attacks them, leaving Marlin unconscious. Marlin wakes up to find that Coral and all but one of her eggs are missing, and assumes the barracuda ate them. Marlin names this last egg Nemo, a name that Coral liked.

The film then moves on to Nemo's first day of school years later. Nemo has a very small right fin, due to a minor injury to his egg from the barracuda attack, which limits his swimming ability. Despite Nemo's excitement, a nervous Marlin struggles with letting Nemo go off to school, claiming he isn't a very strong swimmer. Marlin follows the teacher and students on a fieldtrip, where he embarrasses Nemo, claiming Nemo isn't ready to start school yet. Becoming frustrated with his father, Nemo disobeys Marlin and sneaks away from the reef towards a boat, resulting in him being captured by scuba divers. As the boat sails away, one of the divers accidentally knocks his diving mask into the water.

Leaving home in order to find Nemo, Marlin meets Dory, a good-hearted and optimistic regal blue tang with short-term memory loss. Together they meet three sharks in an old minefield on a fish-free diet: Bruce, a great white shark; Anchor, a scalloped hammerhead; and Chum, a shortfin mako shark. Marlin discovers the diver's mask that was dropped from the boat and notices an address written on it. Marlin is
eventually finds Nemo, who has been held captive by a
determined to use this clue to find and rescue his son.
However, when he argues with Dory and accidentally gives her a nosebleed, the scent of blood causes Bruce to lose
control of himself and attempt to eat Marlin and Dory. The two escape from Bruce in the submarine when the mines detonate, but the mask falls into a trench in the deep sea. During a hazardous struggle with an anglerfish in the trench, Dory is able to read the address written on the mask, which leads to Sydney, Australia, and manages to remember it. After receiving directions to Sydney from a large school of moonfish, Marlin and Dory accidentally run into a bloom of jellyfish that nearly sting them to death; Marlin falls exhausted after the risky escape and wakes up to see a surf-cultured sea turtle named Crush, who directs them on the East Australian Current. In the current, Marlin reluctantly shares the details of his journey with a group of young sea turtles; his story spreads rapidly across the ocean through word of mouth and dentist, P. Sherman, in Sydney.

Upon leaving the East Australian Current, Marlin and Dory become lost in the blooms of plankton and krill and are engulfed by a blue whale. Inside the whale's immense mouth, Marlin desperately tries to escape while Dory communicates with it in whale-speak. In response, the whale carries them to Port Jackson and expels them through his blowhole. They are met by Nigel, a pelican who recognizes Marlin from the stories he has heard and rescues him and Dory from a flock of hungry gulls by scooping them into his beak and taking them to
the dentist's office. By this time, Darla has arrived and the dentist is prepared to give Nemo to her.

Nemo tries to play dead in hopes of saving himself, and, at the same time, Nigel arrives. Marlin sees Nemo and mistakes this act for the actual death of his son. Gill helps Nemo escape into a drain through a sink after a chaotic struggle.

Overcome with despair, Marlin leaves Dory and begins to swim back home. Dory then loses her memory and becomes confused, but meets Nemo, who has reached the ocean through an underwater drainpipe. Dory's memory is restored after she reads the word "Sydney" on a nearby drainpipe and, remembering her journey, she guides Nemo to Marlin. After the two joyfully reunite, Dory is caught in a fishing net with a school of grouper. A terrified Marlin watches as his son Nemo risks his own life by bravely entering the net and directing the group to swim downward to break the net. With Nemo's help, the fish, including Dory, succeed in breaking the net and escape. Marlin recognizes that Nemo is a strong, brave and independent young clownfish, who is growing up.

Nemo and Marlin return to the anemone. A few days later, Nemo leaves for school once more, and Marlin, who is no longer overprotective or doubtful of his son's safety, proudly watches Nemo swim away into the distance with Dory at his side.

1. How has Marlin transformed?

2. What key words in the last paragraph show that he has reached atonement?