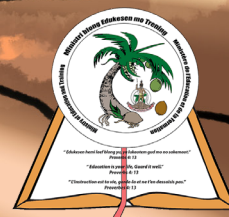


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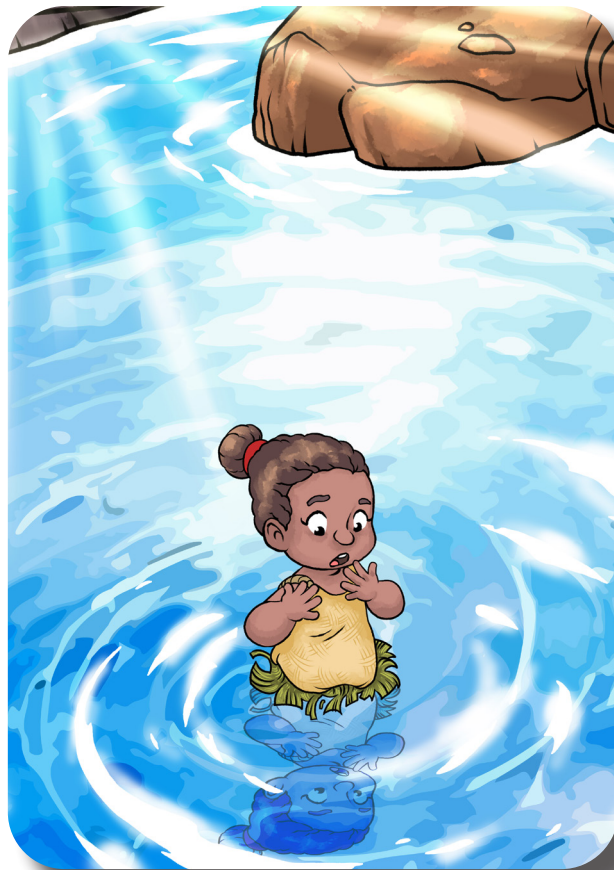


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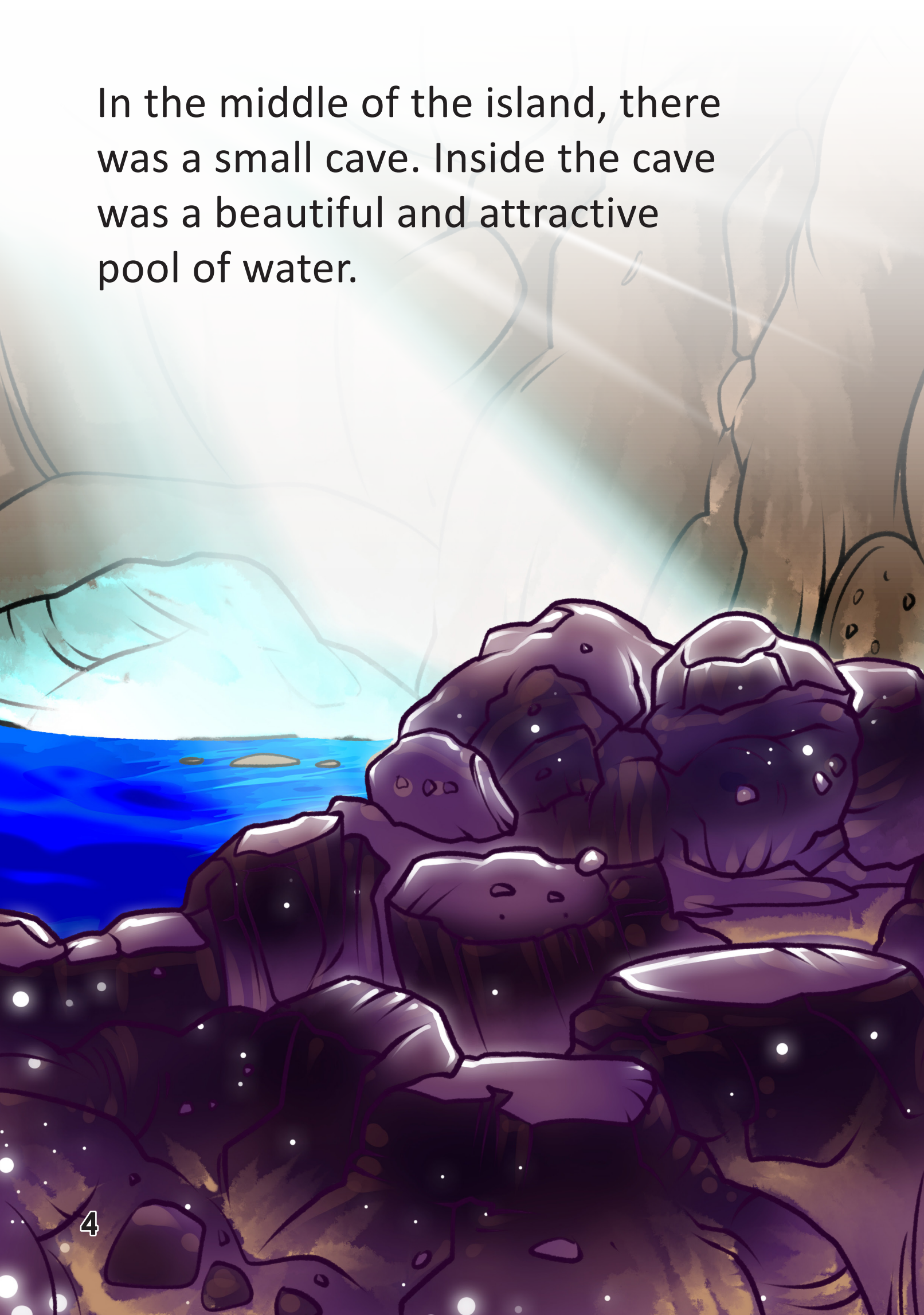
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On a mysterious little island, there was a village where a small group of kind and brave people lived.





In the middle of the island, there was a small cave. Inside the cave was a beautiful and attractive pool of water.



The villagers called it the Deep Blue Water. It was spring water that came from a big rock.







In the village, there was a little girl named Sinafineriki, who lived with her parents. Sinafineriki was named after her chief grandmother. She was a beautiful, brave and kind girl.

Sinafineriki loved to swim and play
in the water. She always sang to
herself, “I’m happy and free,
yoo hey!”

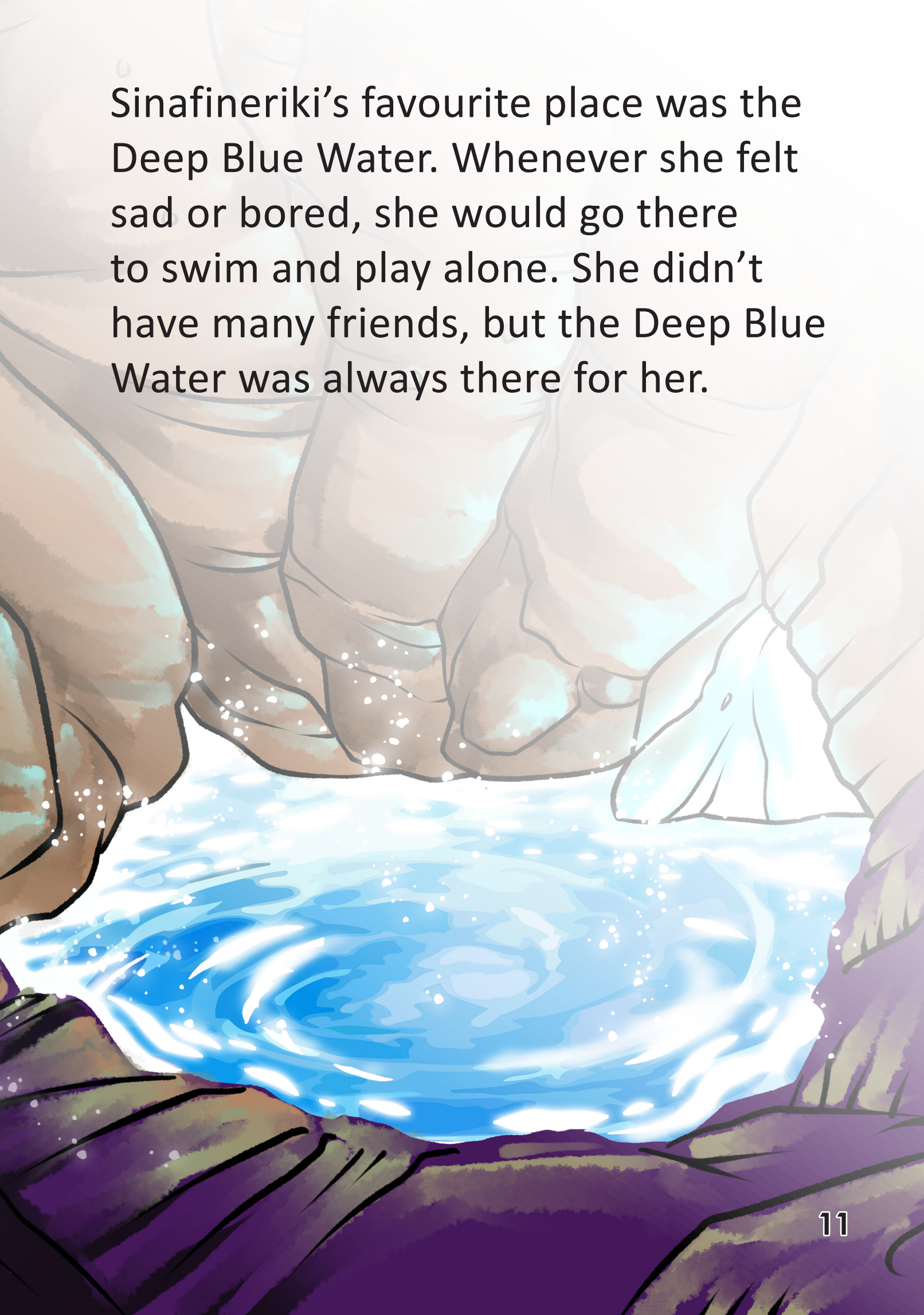


Wherever she went, everyone knew her because she was always happy and curious.



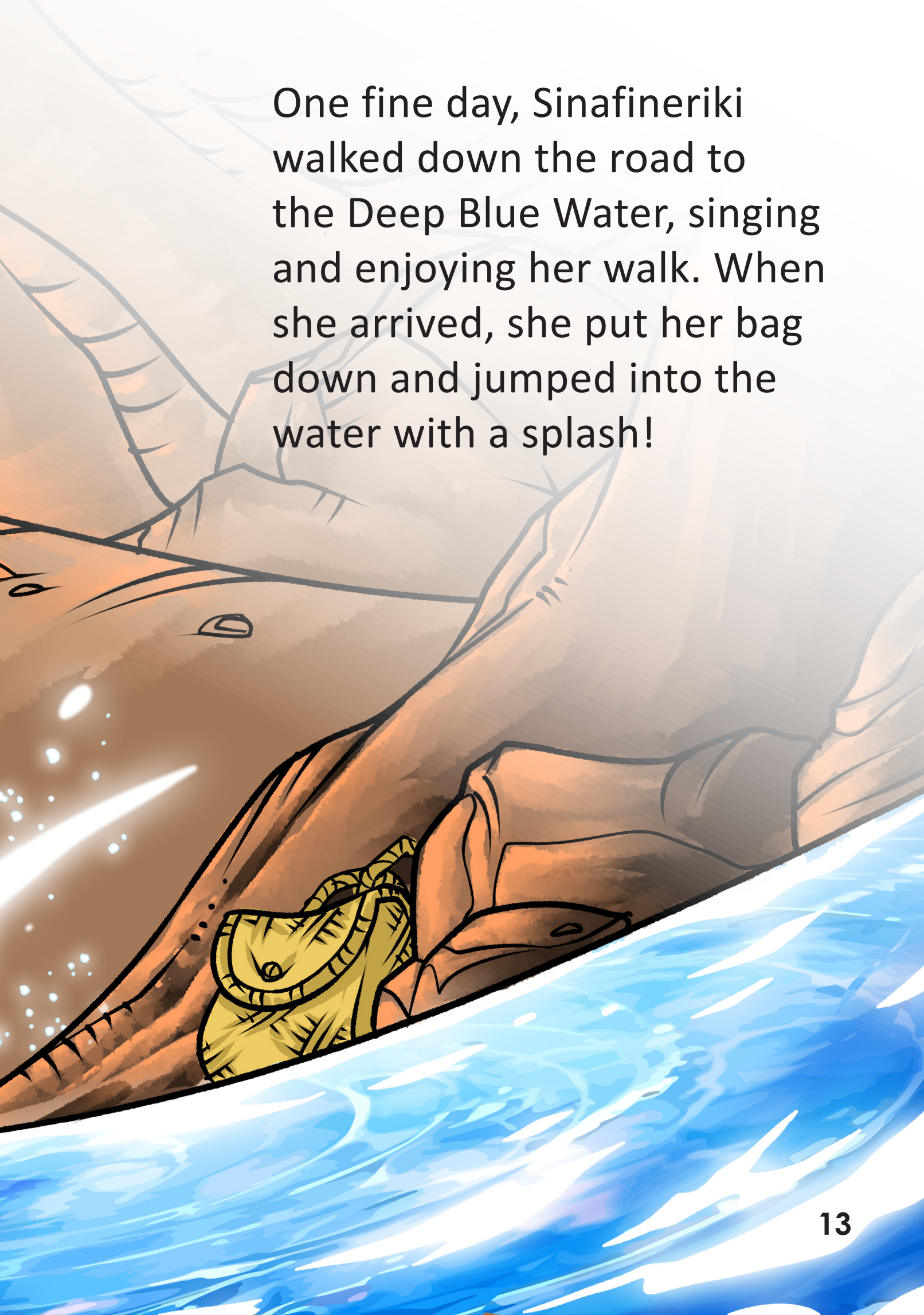


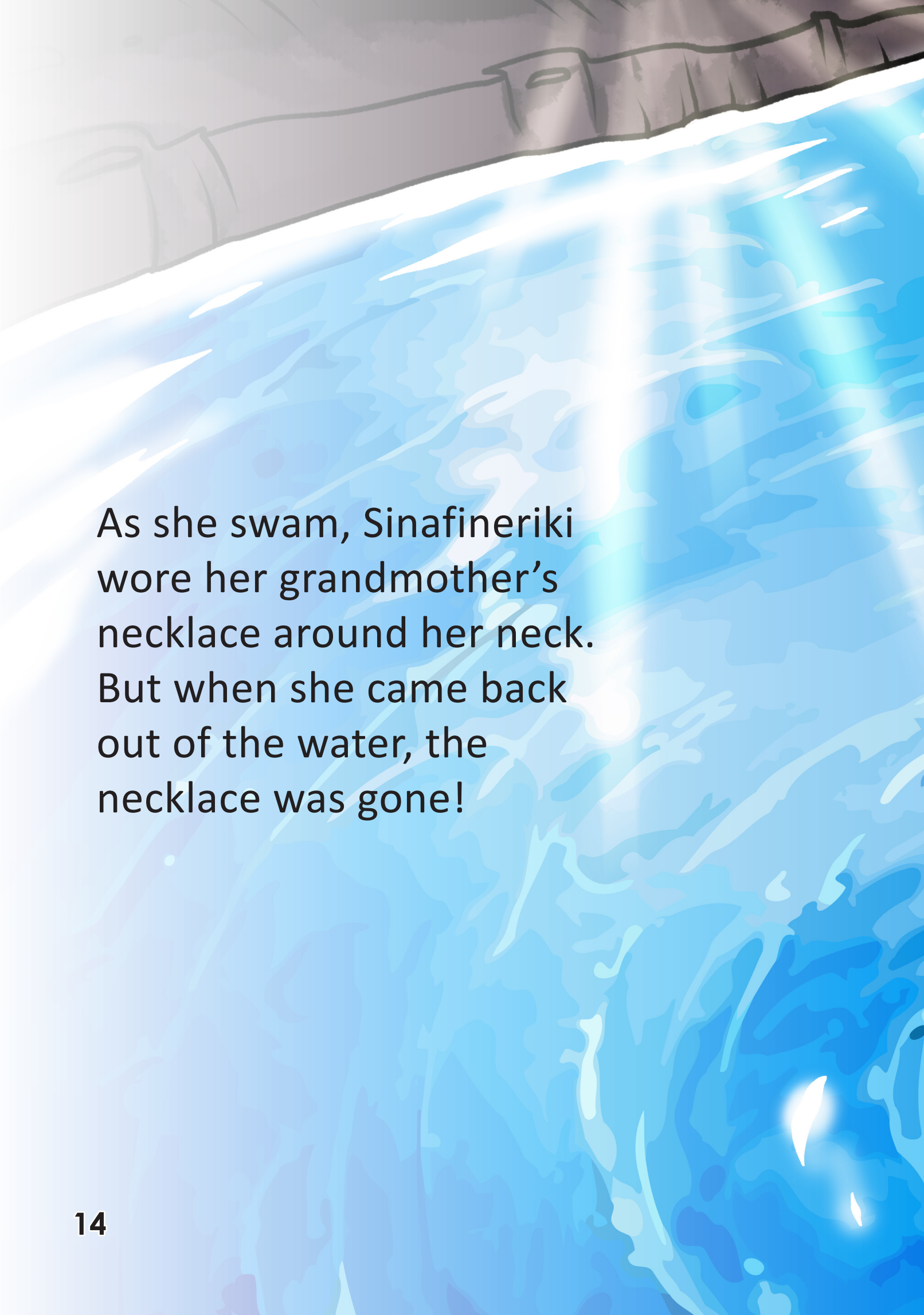
Sinafineriki's favourite place was the Deep Blue Water. Whenever she felt sad or bored, she would go there to swim and play alone. She didn't have many friends, but the Deep Blue Water was always there for her.





One fine day, Sinafineriki walked down the road to the Deep Blue Water, singing and enjoying her walk. When she arrived, she put her bag down and jumped into the water with a splash!

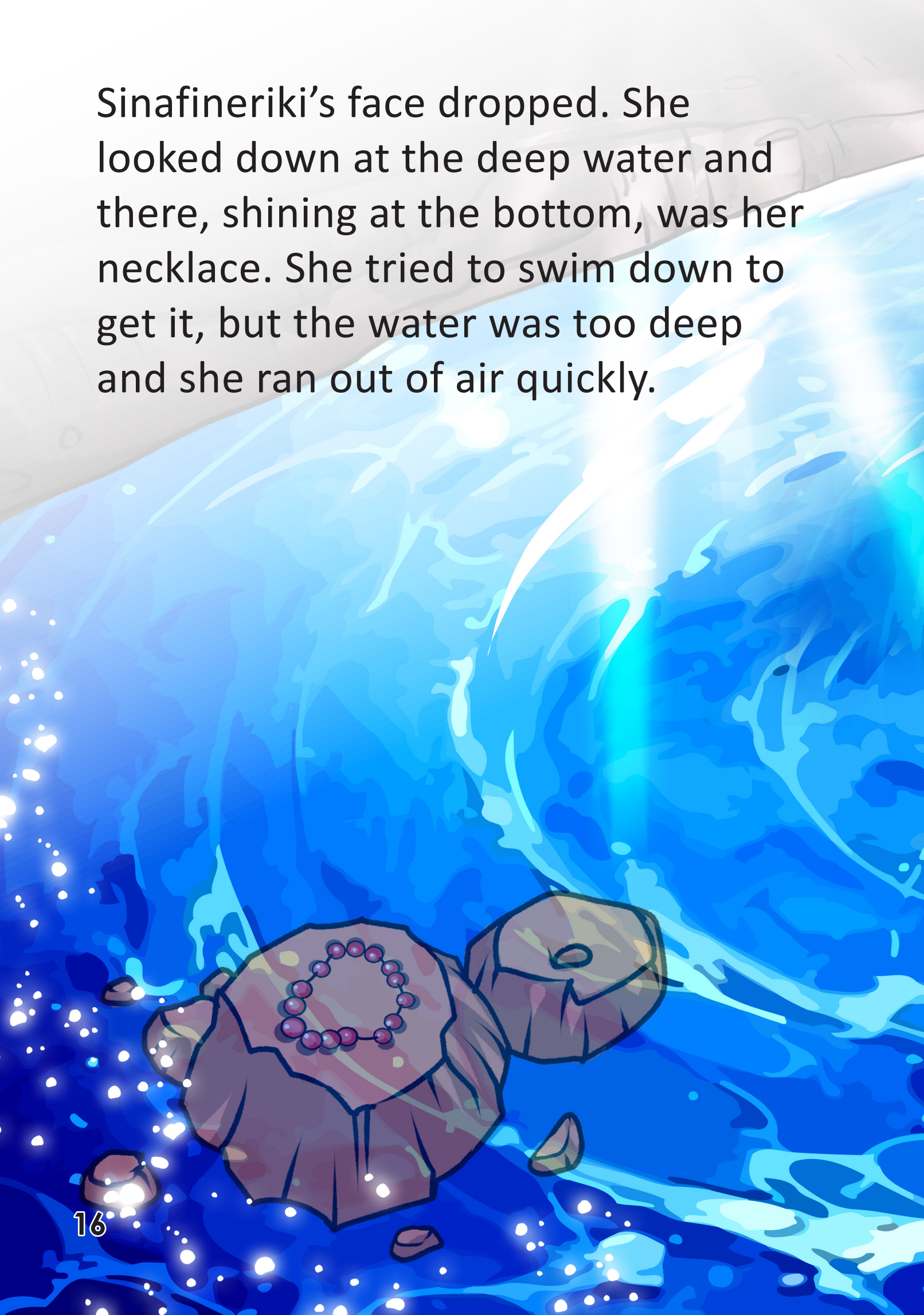




As she swam, Sinafineriki
wore her grandmother's
necklace around her neck.
But when she came back
out of the water, the
necklace was gone!



Sinafineriki's face dropped. She looked down at the deep water and there, shining at the bottom, was her necklace. She tried to swim down to get it, but the water was too deep and she ran out of air quickly.



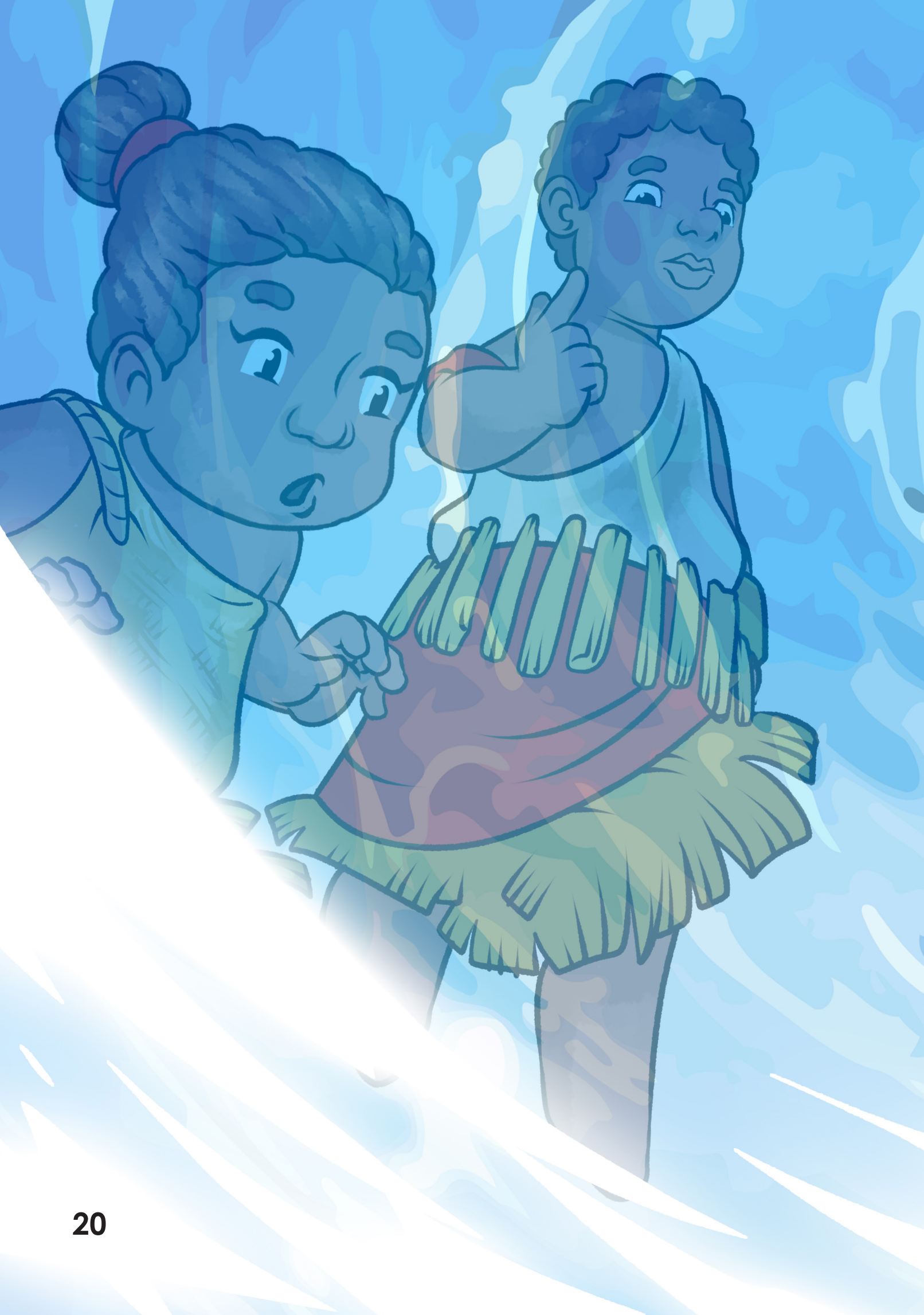




Just then, a young boy appeared
on the other side of the water.

“What are you looking for? Do you
need help?” he asked kindly.



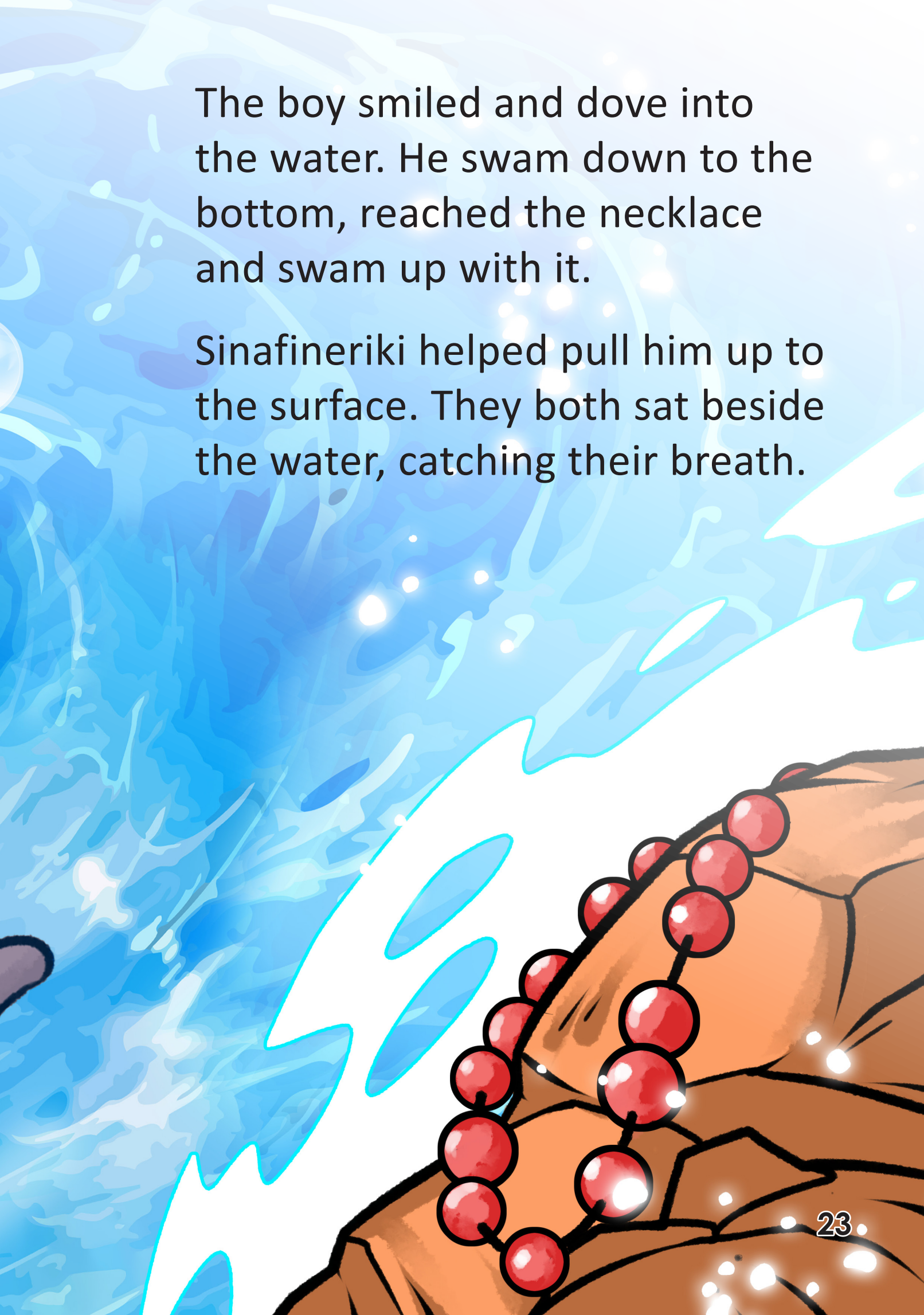




Sinafineriki said, “Yes, please!
My necklace fell into the water.
Can you help me get it back?”

She pointed the necklace out to him.



The background of the page is a vibrant, stylized illustration of water. It features various shades of blue and white, with dynamic, wavy lines suggesting movement and splashing. In the bottom right corner, there is a brown, rocky ledge. Resting on this ledge is a necklace made of several large, round, red beads. The water around the necklace is depicted with bright, glowing white and yellow light spots, indicating its magical or precious nature.

The boy smiled and dove into the water. He swam down to the bottom, reached the necklace and swam up with it.

Sinafineriki helped pull him up to the surface. They both sat beside the water, catching their breath.





“Thank you so much for helping me!”
Sinafineriki said.

“You’re welcome, anytime,” the boy
replied.

Sinafineriki smiled and asked, “Do
you want to be my friend?”

“Yes, I’d love to!” the boy exclaimed.
They shook hands and walked back to
the village together.

**You can use these questions
to talk about this book with
your family, friends and
teachers.**



**What does Sinafineriki lose in the
Deep Blue Water?**



**Why was it hard for Sinafineriki
to dive deep enough to get her
necklace?**



**How might her necklace have
come off?**

**Have you ever lost something in
the ocean? Did you find it?**



**Draw a picture of a beautiful blue
pool of water.**

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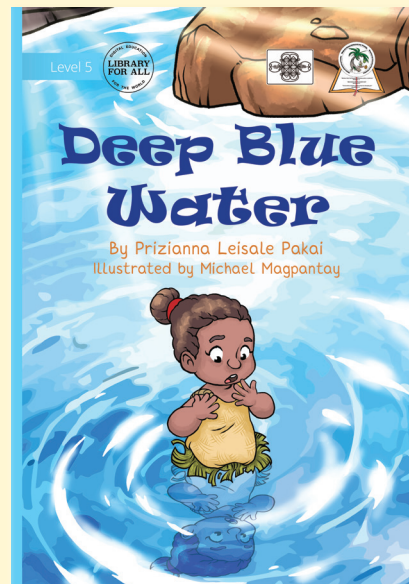
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