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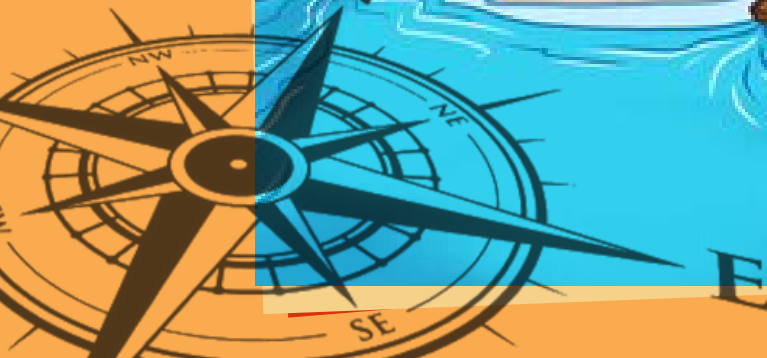
## JAVA LAVA



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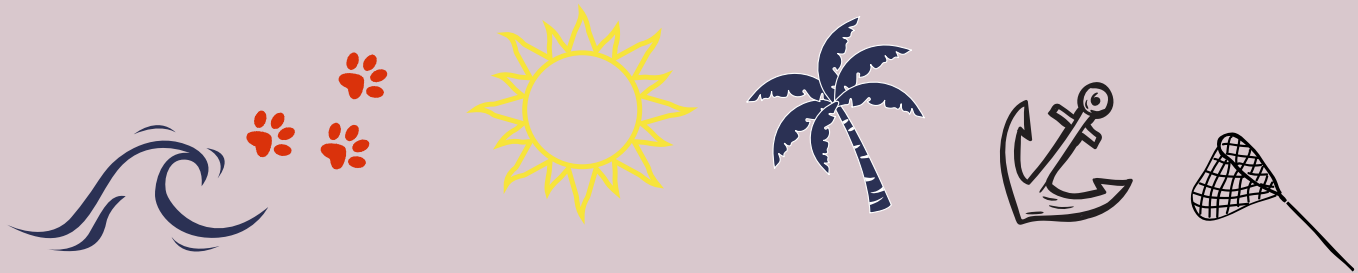


# THE SEA COW



One stormy night,  
an old ship carrying  
mysterious creatures  
plowed through the  
rough seas.



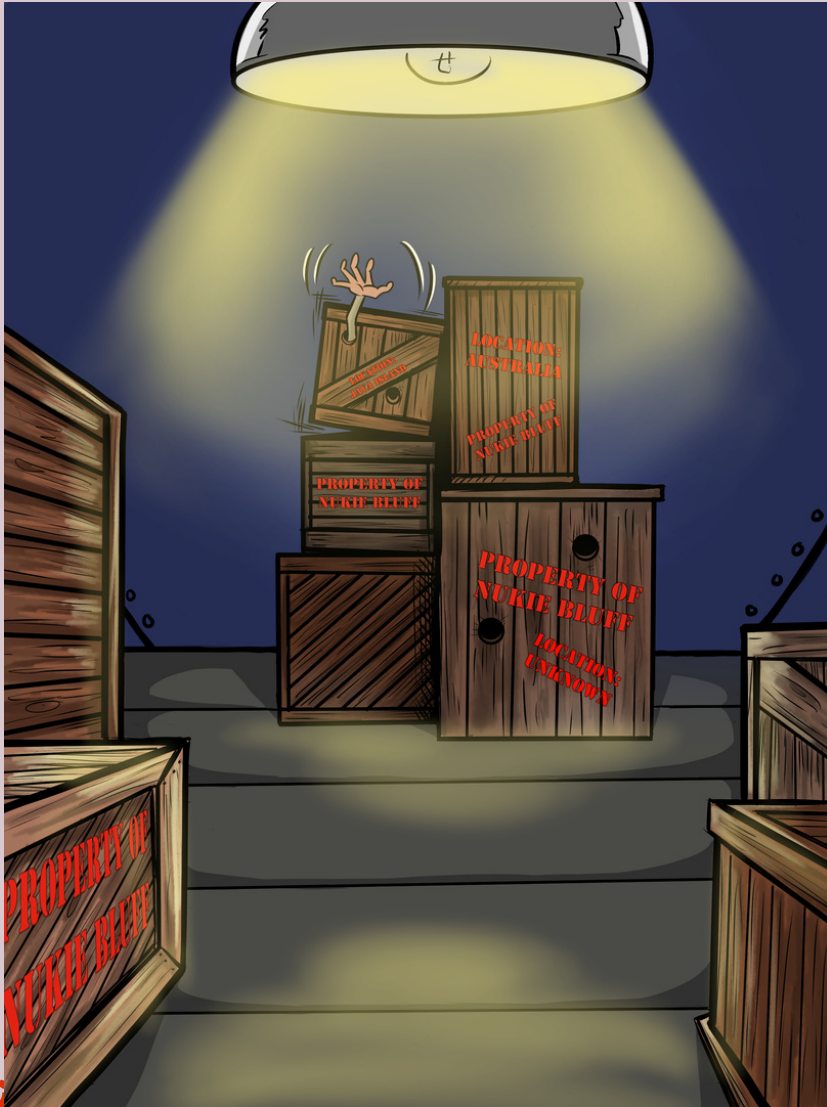


The captain woke up and rushed out  
the door.

“We need to save the cargo!” the  
captain yelled.



# PRECIOUS CARGO

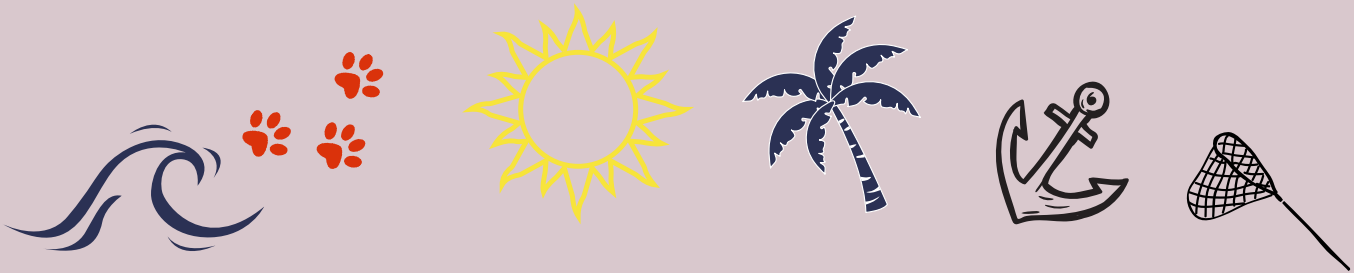


Within the ship, a tiny hand crept out of a crate

“Help! I’m trapped and can’t get out!” said a squeaky voice.

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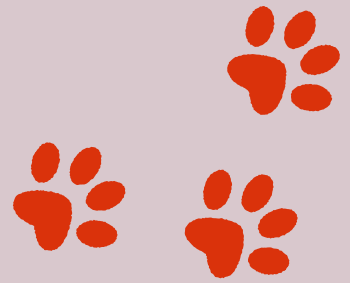




A deeper voice replied.  
“Hold on friend, I will help you.”



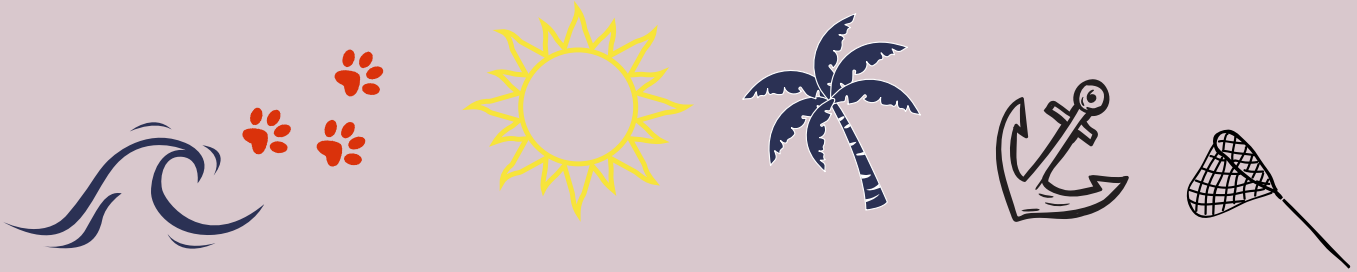
# AVERY, THE RED PANDA



“Hi, my name is Avery. I’m a red panda,” the creature said.

“Hi buddy, my name is Masa. I’m a slow loris. Thank you for saving me,” the critter said.

# MASA, THE SLOW LORIS



"How did we get here?" Avery asked.

"I have no idea," Masa replied.

"But someone's coming."

"Follow me if you want to escape," Avery said.





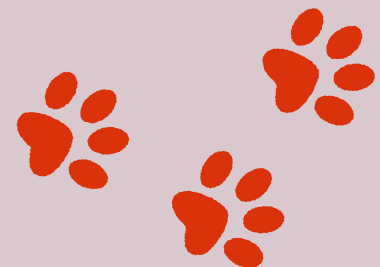
# CAT AND MOUSE

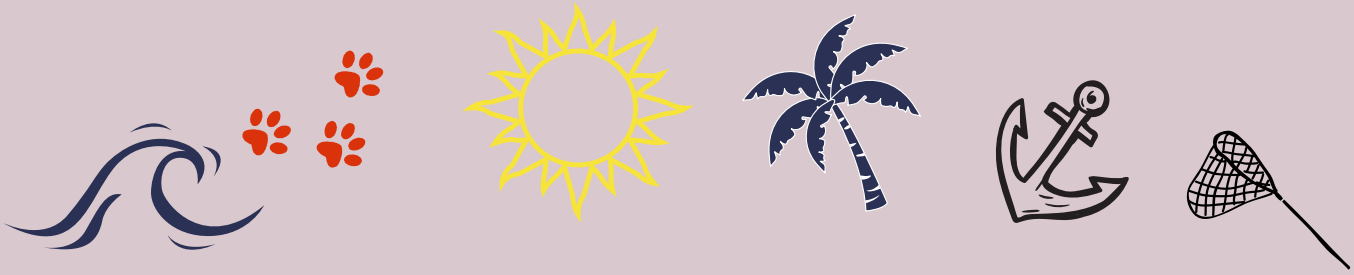


Tiago, the first mate, tried to catch them with a net.

“Here kitty, kitty,”  
Tiago called out.

“I’m no kitty cat,” Masa  
whispered.





“If we can sneak past him, we can find a way off of this ship,” Avery whispered.

Tiago swung his net but they were too fast.





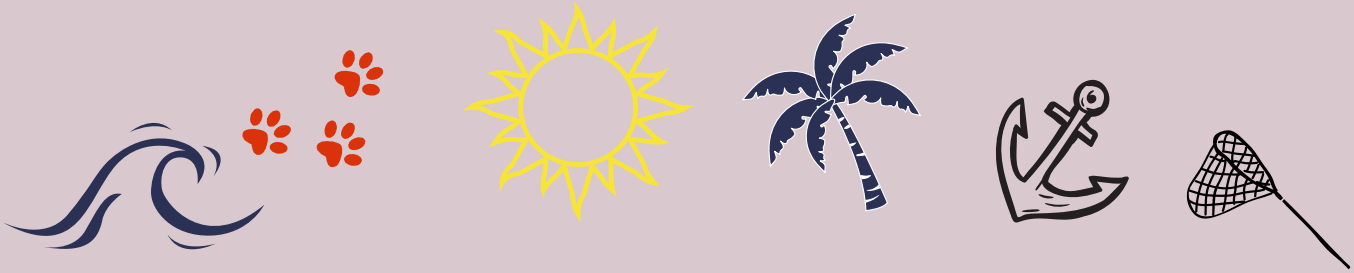
# LOST AT SEA



Avery and Masa escaped into the ocean in a blue plastic cooler.

“Sweet bamboo! We are going on an epic adventure,” Avery said.



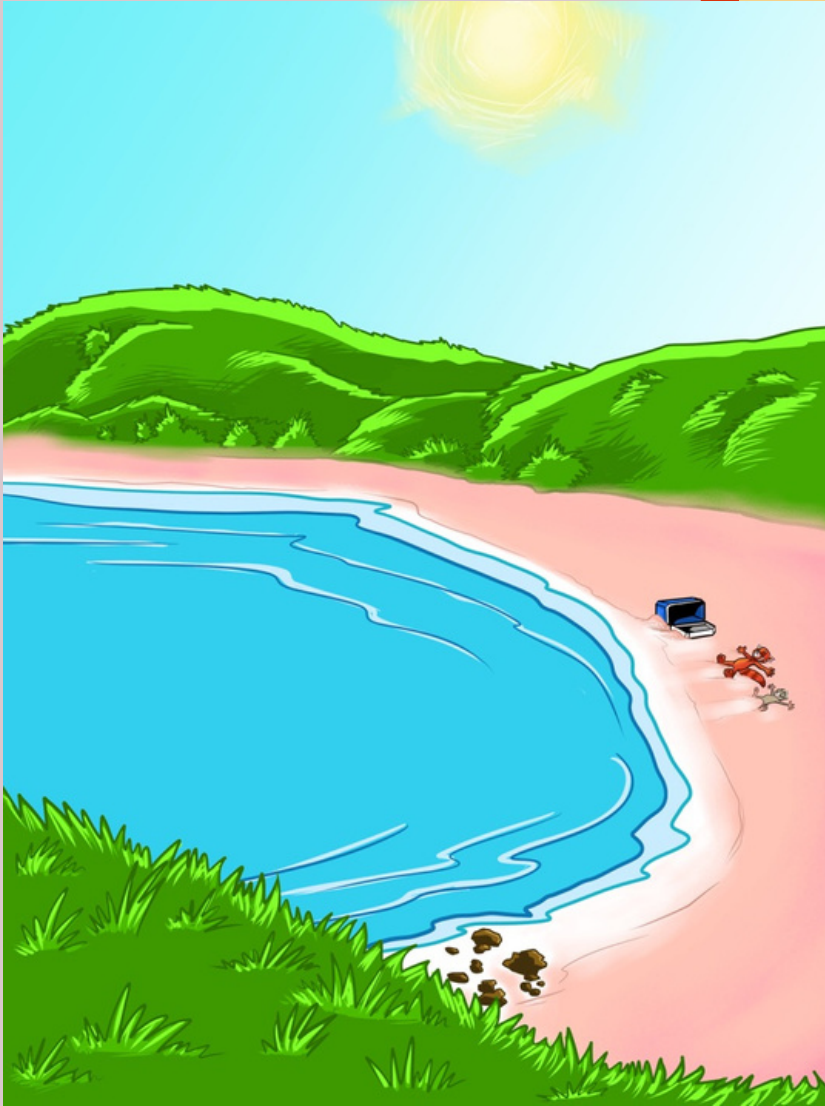


Masa searched the horizon with his big eyes.

“Nectar! I see land!  
I will become a great explorer one day.”



# LEGENDS AND FAIRYTALES

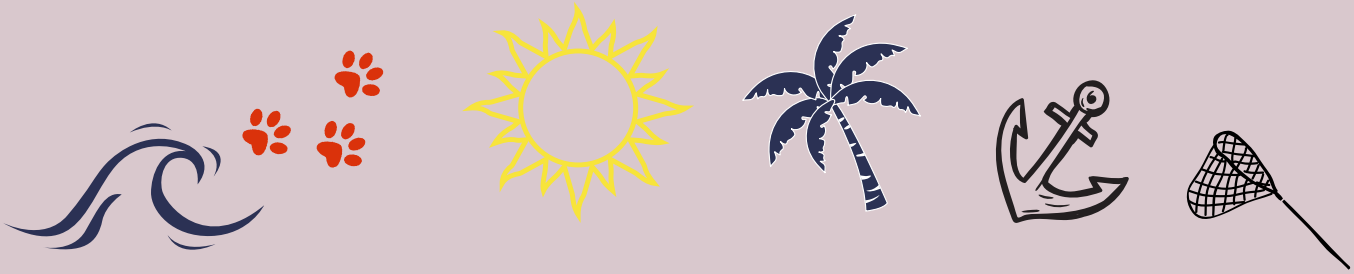


Avery and Masa rested on a beautiful beach with pink sand. Soon, they heard hissing sounds.

“It's the dragons! They are legends.” Masa screamed.

“Dragons are not real. They are just fairy tales,” Avery said.





Countless reptiles with scaly skin marched toward them. Masa hopped onto Avery's tail.

"I told you the dragons are real!" Masa shouted.



# ISLAND OF DRAGONS

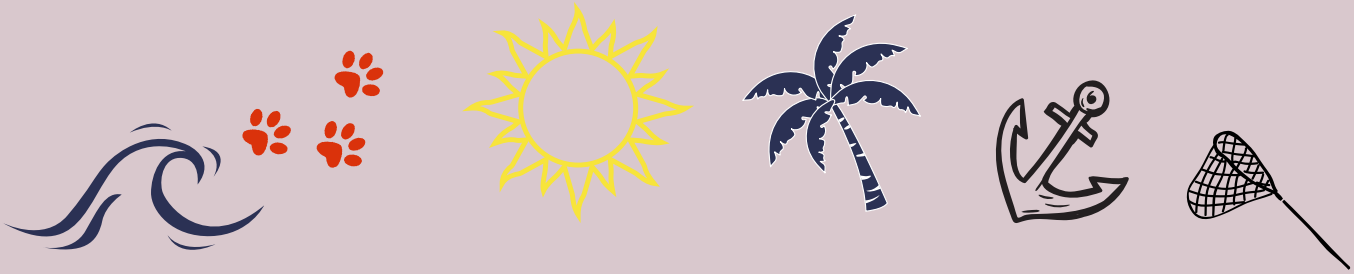


Avery and Masa were greeted by Komodo dragons. Kamora, a beautiful dragon with pink skin was the leader.

“A curious pair you are,” Kamora said.

“We are lost,” Avery replied.





“Don’t be scared. My friend Sudan can help you. He is a wise ocean mammal,” Kamora said.

“How will we find him?” Masa asked.

“He will find you,” Kamora replied.



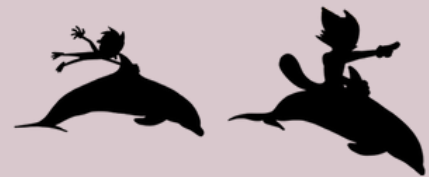


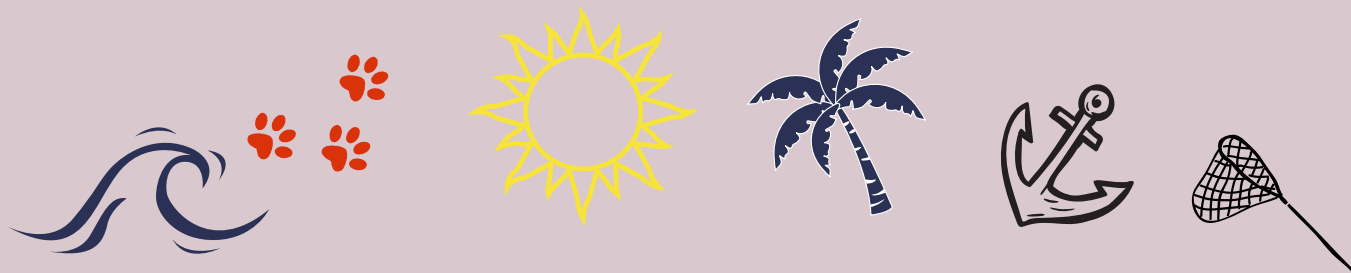
# SURFING SUDAN



Avery and Masa met Sudan, a magnificent blue whale.

“Hello, Sudan. Can you help us find Java Island so we can save the animals?” Avery asked.

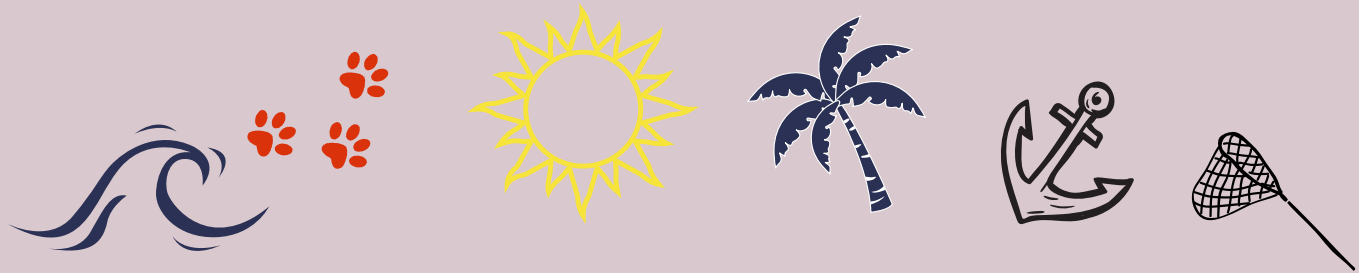




“One person can change the tide — but two friends can change the world,” Sudan said. “I believe you both can protect all the endangered animals on the planet.”







Sudan gave them a ride to the shore of Java Island.  
"We will do our best," Masa said.

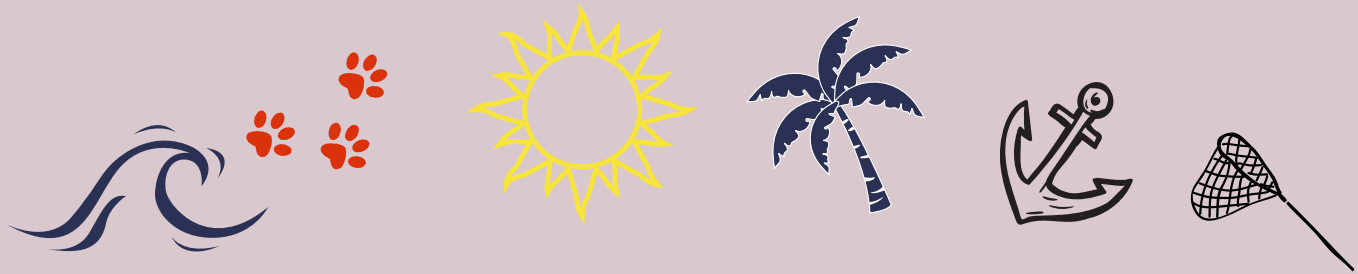


# NOBODY HOME



The island of Java was Masa's home. They saw many volcanoes and met an old Javan rhinoceros named Utari.



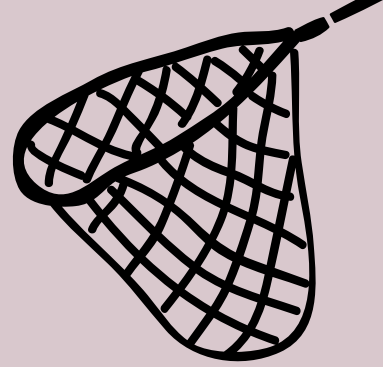


“Masa, I have bad news. Some humans have taken your mom,” Utari said.

“Oh no,” Masa cried. “We have to save her.”



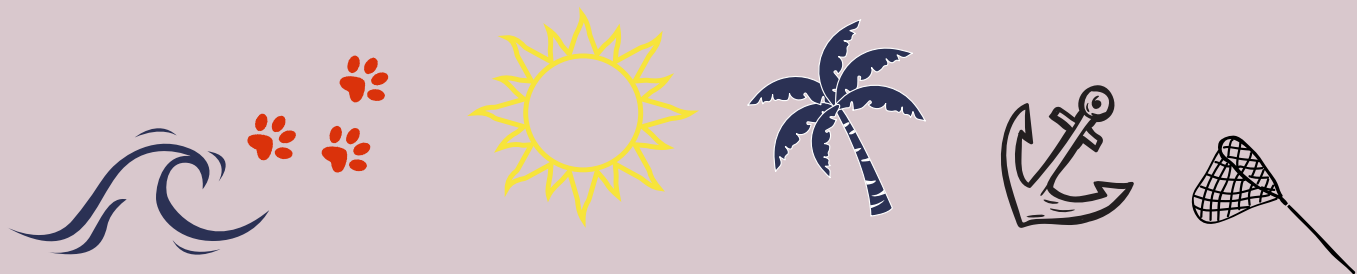
# I'M NOT A PET!



Just then the captain and Tiago jumped out of the bushes with nets.

Avery escaped, but Masa was now caught with his mom.





“Nukie Bluff won’t be happy if we don’t catch that red panda,” the captain said.



# NUKIE BLUFF

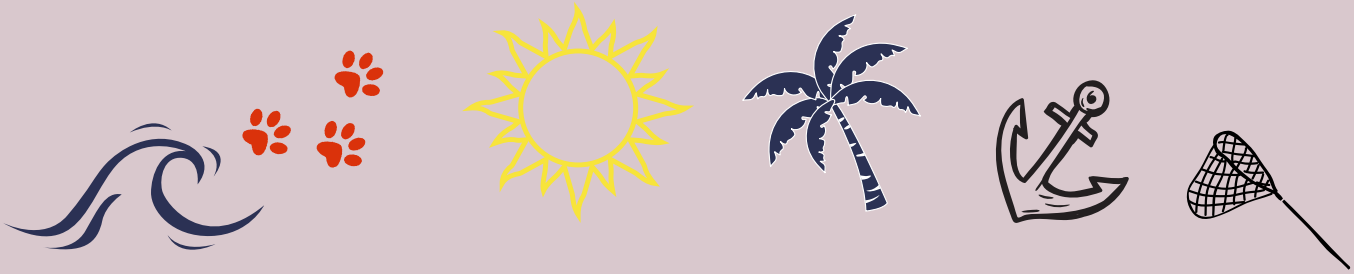


Nukie Bluff landed on the beach in a helicopter.

Nukie was mean and wore a brown safari hat. "Where is the red panda?" Nukie asked Masa.







"He escaped," the captain said.

"Find him at once," Nukie said.



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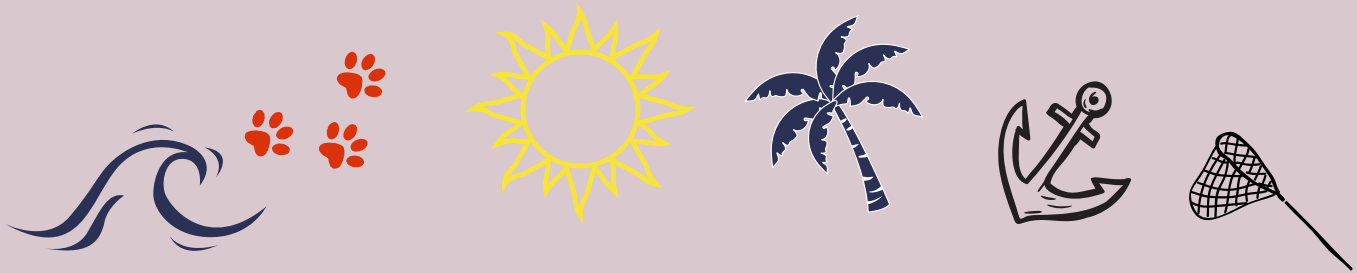


Avery returned with Kamora and their Komodo dragon friends.

“Protect the island!”  
Avery yelled.







“Nukie Bluff and his crew lost.  
They flew away in the helicopter.

Avery, Masa and their friends saved the animals!

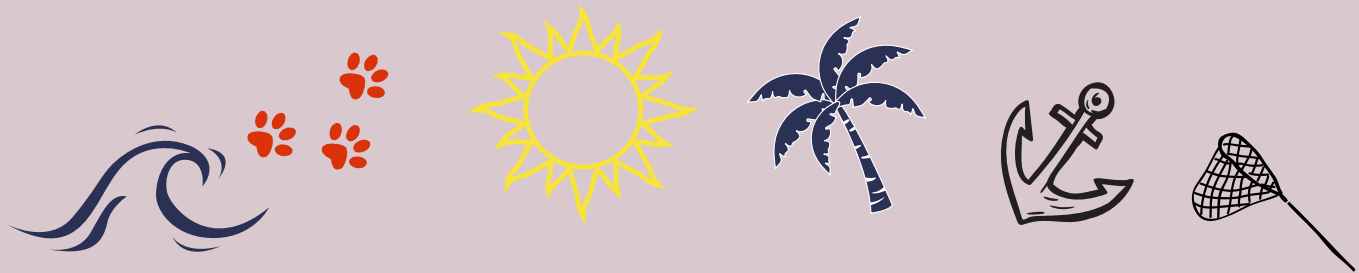


# A NEW QUEST



The animals of Java Island cheered for Avery and Masa. Then, a lost young kangaroo hopped out of a leftover crate.

“This young kangaroo will need help getting home,” Masa’s mother said.



"Sweet bamboo!"

"Let's get this joey home," Avery said.

"I'm with you, buddy," Masa said.

Avery and Masa began their next quest as new friends and protectors of the endangered.





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