

Starfish dialogue:

“They kept us in capsules that drained us of our life force. We were dying; slowly dying. The creatures containing us were robotic creations so much like a species we once knew. Their sudden absence from the galaxy had always been a mystery...until now I suppose. They must have done the same to the [insert species name here] that they tried to do to us. Without your help we would have faced the same fate I’m sure. Thank you. For all our sakes, I hope you continue to succeed.”

Blurb 1:

“Thank goodness you’re here! What? You almost got hit by the ship’s lasers? Oh dear. At least they’re in a better place now. I suppose that also explains your new form. We had seen you two escape and only hoped that you would come to rescue us as well. Those capsules they were keeping us in, if felt like they drained us of our life force. We were dying before you came to save us. Please, you must help the others! They cannot be left to such a terrible fate!

Blurb 2:

“I can’t believe you made it! It seemed nigh impossible to make it past the ship’s defenses. The power they drain from us appears to power their turrets and defenses. I hate that our very lives are being used to keep us captive! Who would do such a thing? Taking us peaceful starfish to use in this way is despicable. Do not succumb to those who have taken us! We all believe that you can be the one to save us.”

Blurb 3 (after piranhas are introduced):

“You couldn’t have saved us soon enough! Did you see those things? It’s like they were alive! They swam through the air and almost knew where to find you if you escaped. They

reminded us of a species we once knew of from the planet Novo. They had apparently been lost, not seen for years and now here they are. Recreated with metal and used as guard dogs for those who've captured us. I wonder how much of this they had a hand in. But you can destroy them! Don't stop now. Please save the rest of us."

Blurb 4:

"You've rescued more of us? They're okay? Oh that's such a relief. We were worried that they might not want to keep all of us alive, despite these capsules they trapped us in. None of us have seen any other living creatures in this ship. It's spooky. What could be controlling these robots? How can we fight back against the very machine that contains us? You need to find the rest of us, and find out what's going on! I believe in you."

Blurb 5 (after sand dollar bombs are introduced):

"We heard explosions, are you alright? Those things on the walls did that? We wondered what those were. They looked like creatures that once used to inhabit the planet Mira, but made out of metal. Their sudden absence from the galaxy had always been a mystery, until now I suppose. What this ship did to them...it must be trying to do the same thing to us. Without your help we would have faced the same fate I'm sure. Thank you for saving us. For all our sakes, I hope you continue to succeed."

Blurb 6 (after jellyfish are introduced):

"How did you make it past those tentacles? They trapped some of us inside those robots, I guess thinking that you wouldn't be able to free us. The robots were reminiscent of a species that used to inhabit Aurita. These large, floating creatures with sweeping tentacles were once so peaceful. I can't believe their form was used to create these deadly monsters. And trapping us

inside them! Using us to power something that would keep you from saving us is horrifying. You've managed to make it this far, though. If anyone could finish this, it would be you."

Blurb 7:

"We still haven't seen any living creatures. I'm starting to think that the creators of these ships passed away and simply left these machines running, forever scouring the galaxy for new species to use. But, how could they have maintained themselves? Did their creators intend for their destructive tendencies to live on, even after they were gone? I can't believe such hate existed in the galaxy. But you have been destroying them, making sure we live on. Thank you."

Blurb 8:

"Despite your new form you're still familiar. Thank the stars you've come to save us, and not left us to the mercy of these beings. Who would have thought one of our young would wield such power? These abilities you've received are great, but do not become complacent. There are still more of us held by our captors. Still more of us being used to power these terrible things. Do not let them take the rest of us for their own purposes. Do not let us down."

Blurb 9:

"You've gone through so much, and yet there is still more for you to face. There's even more of us left in the main ship. Those holding us have tried to retreat, knowing you were coming. I think your next battle may be your last. While I believe in you, there must be something in that ship, a last resort for these beings. Please be careful. We have been depending on you this entire time, and you have not let us down yet. I have faith that you can take on whatever is next."

Blurb 10 (after boss fight):

“You did it. I don’t know how you managed to take that gigantic thing down, but you did! It looked like you- or, us now I suppose. They must have found the form within us somehow, and used it to create what they thought would bet you once and for all. Well, you showed them! We may have lost many, but still more of us are alive thanks to you. Soon, we must celebrate your victory, and our newfound forms. We will mourn those we’ve lost, but for now, let’s go home.”

Planet blurbs:

Piranha Planet:

A, humid, forested planet, **Novo** compensates for the heat with a thick tree-cover. The dense tropical forest is broken only by deep, wide rivers and smaller streams. The sole inhabitants of Novo are small fish and insects, existing peacefully and surviving off of the fruit dropped by the many different types of fruit trees. The planet has apparently become overrun by them, and might need to evolve to become more compatible with an overabundance of prey with no apparent predator.

Sand Dollar Planet:

Mira is a planet full of sand with just enough salt water to cover almost all of it. With a few sandbars that break the nearly unending water’s surface, the planet is seemingly bereft of life save for plankton and swaths of algae that one can find in the shallows. The heat from the sun provides a pleasant heat to the entirety of Mira, encouraging photosynthesis and, if one were to visit, playful splashing or relaxation. Without anything to consume it, the algae floats alone, slowly but surely growing to eventually cover the entire planet.

Jellyfish Planet:

Covered by oceans with only rocky crags breaking the surface, **Aurita** boasts deep, wide, and long-ranging trenches under the water's surface. Coral reefs and underwater caves abound, potentially trapping the unthinking air-breather who dares to go spelunking. There are no larger creatures inhabiting the expanses of saltwater, surprisingly, instead one finds plankton, small fish and crustaceans making a living among the coral. The slow-drifting currents are perfect if one wanted to gently float around the island, swaying the kelp and seaweed.