

I scream as the giant waves knock me over. I thought the ocean was my friend. But I was wrong.

At that moment I felt betrayed! When did my happy friend turn into a monster?

I felt myself getting dragged out farther and farther. I looked around in a panic and I saw something horrifying. My friends were trapped too. And, even worse, my sister Naomi was sobbing hysterically. She could barely swim.

Merian is an excellent swimmer, but where was she?

Then I heard a welcome sound. Obiki Sensei, our camp counselor, was racing into the waves shouting, "I will save you!!"

Filled with a burst of relief I watched him only to see him struck by a wave and go under. That was my first moment of doubt. Did he even know how to swim? If I hadn't been so scared it would have been funny! He burst up from the water gurgling in panic and then went under again. Now clearly HE needed saving!