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One day, there was an old man that had just gotten off a little boat and was panicking. Someone asked what happened and he told them about this big huge sea monster. Nobody believed the old man except a curious Captain and his crew.

So, they decided to sail out into the open ocean to see if what the old man spoke of was true.

Once they got out to the open ocean, there was one part of the sky that was dark and the sea looked angry.

The Captain was curious to see if the sea monster was in the storm so he told his crew to sail in the direction of the storm.

Before they even got to the edge of the storm their ship scraped against something. Then all of a sudden, this BIG monster came up and smashed their boat to pieces.

Some of the men made it to the lifeboat while the others perished, including the Captain.

When the sailors got back to dry land, they offered 500 gold pieces to kill the monster.

Many people thought the men were crazy for offering so much gold, but it was too good to pass up for some men.

A brave captain named Drack and his crew decided to come together and make a team and try to destroy the monster. Their team was so big they had to take two ships.

This time a bigger and more horrible storm appeared. They remembered that one of the members who survived the sea monster's wrath had told them that is where to find him.



When they arrived at the edge of the storm, they paused before proceeding. They didn't get too far before they were attacked, both ships were destroyed and only 6 out of the 20 men survived the monster's attack. Captain Drack survived because he was the smartest of the bunch.

The sailors fled to the nearest island in a life boat and that

island was called Mysterious Island.

When they docked, they unpacked out of the little ship and gathered materials to make a camp.

The next morning they looked around the Island to see if there was anyone else, but they didn't find anyone but stumbled upon an empty camp. They decided to take a chest full of gold.



Out of nowhere, ruthless bandits attacked them. The sailors fled back to the town they came from to recruit more men to help defeat the Sea Monster. They also stocked up on bigger and better weapons and with those bigger and better weapons came bigger and better ships.

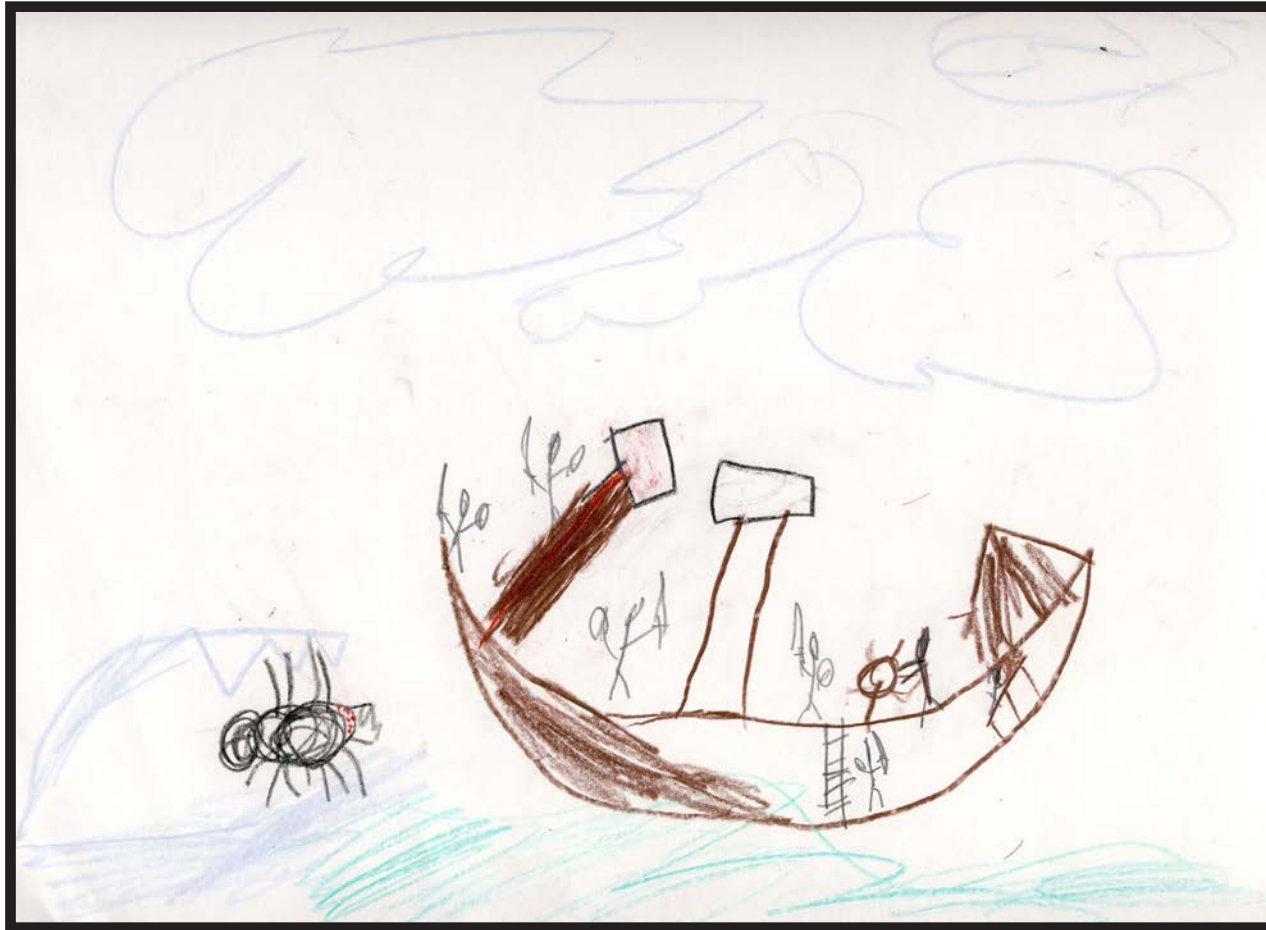
Before attacking the Sea Monster they decided to take care of the ruthless bandits. The sailors decided not to approach the bandits directly so they left the chest full of gold in one of the tents.

They set voyage for the Sea Monster, but pirates and bandits attacked them along the way. One of the pirate ships was bigger than the others which meant it had more firepower.

The sailors boarded the pirate ship and fought back. When they reached the captain quarters, it was empty. Then they peered out a window and saw the captain escaping in a little ship.



The sailors took chase and followed him to a cave. They didn't see him, but a huge monster appeared out of the dark and one of the sailors noticed it was a BIG spider; the sailors left the cave in a hurry.



When they got out on the open ocean they were surrounded by big shark fins, they quickly reacted by grabbing harpoon guns and defeating the sharks. The sailors took the shark meat and had a big feast.

When they continued on their quest they stumbled upon a marsh and decided to rest.

When they woke up the next morning, they found their ship was stuck in the marsh and piranhas surrounded them.

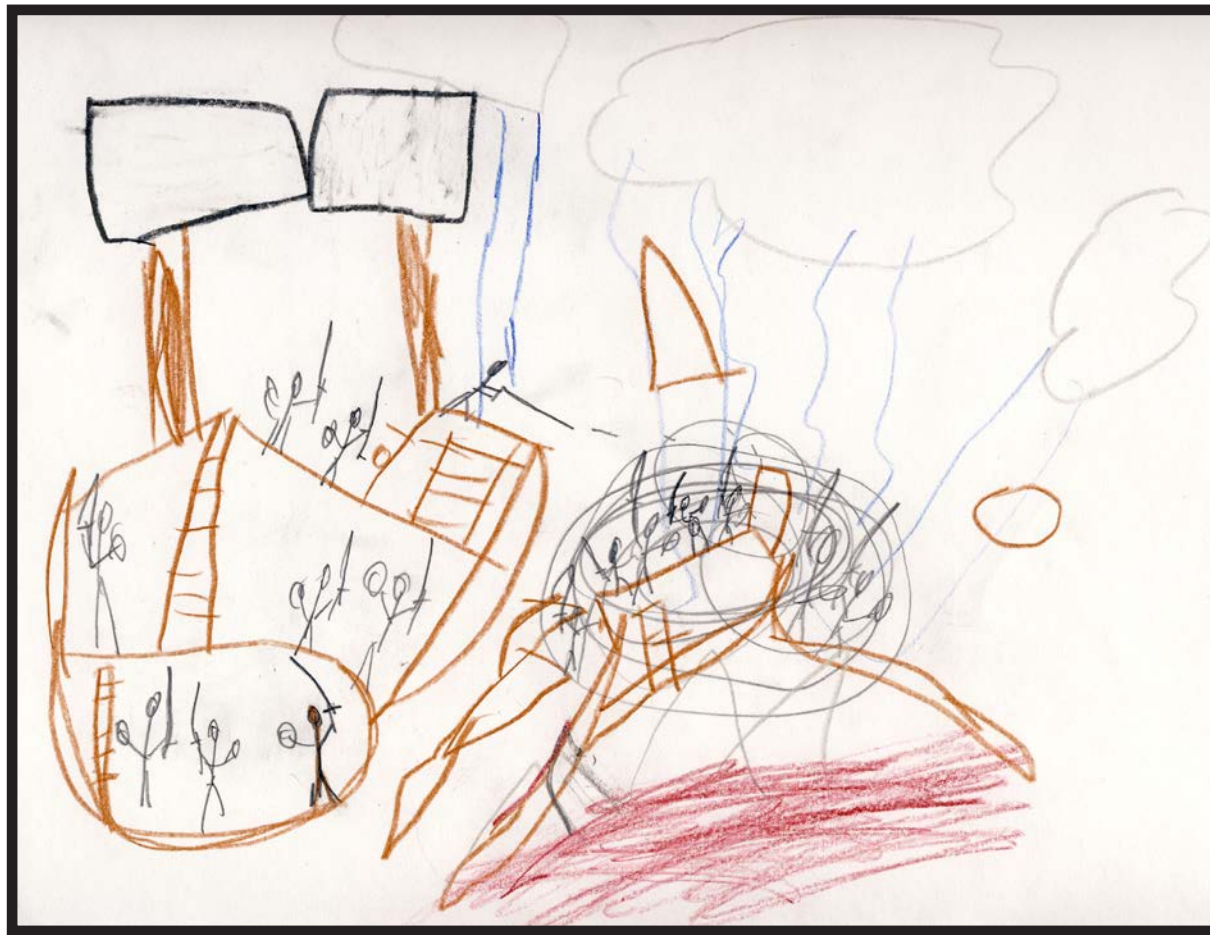
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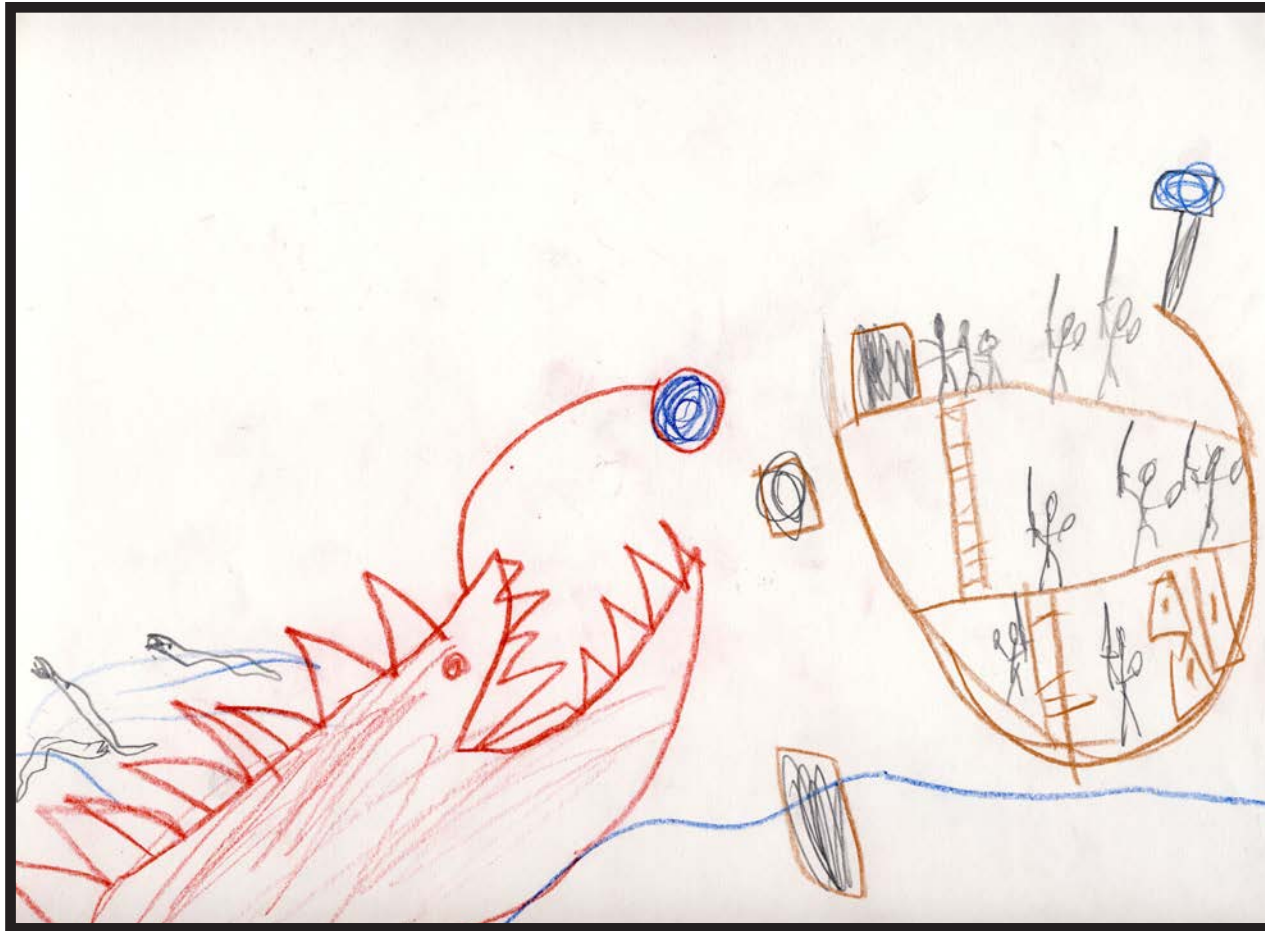
piranhas away and pushed the ship out of the marsh. When they got back out to open ocean, they found an old ship wreck and they remembered that's where The Sea Monster was.

They sailed through the wreck.



When they passed the ship a skeleton came out and tried to chop them up but missed them, and luckily they destroyed him. The skeleton wasn't alone. There was a ship full of them and they all wanted to destroy the sailors. One sailor saw some gun powder and shot it with his gun and blew the ship up.





After the explosion, a huge angler fish appeared because it was attracted by the explosion and tried to eat them but they threw some gun powder in the water and it sunk and the angler fish took chase and the sailors took the opportunity and left.

They looked overboard and saw a treasure chest full of gold and other riches. They got it on their ship but didn't know it was cursed.

Later, the captain of the sailors remembered hearing about a cursed treasure chest, so they threw it back overboard and sailed to the closest island.

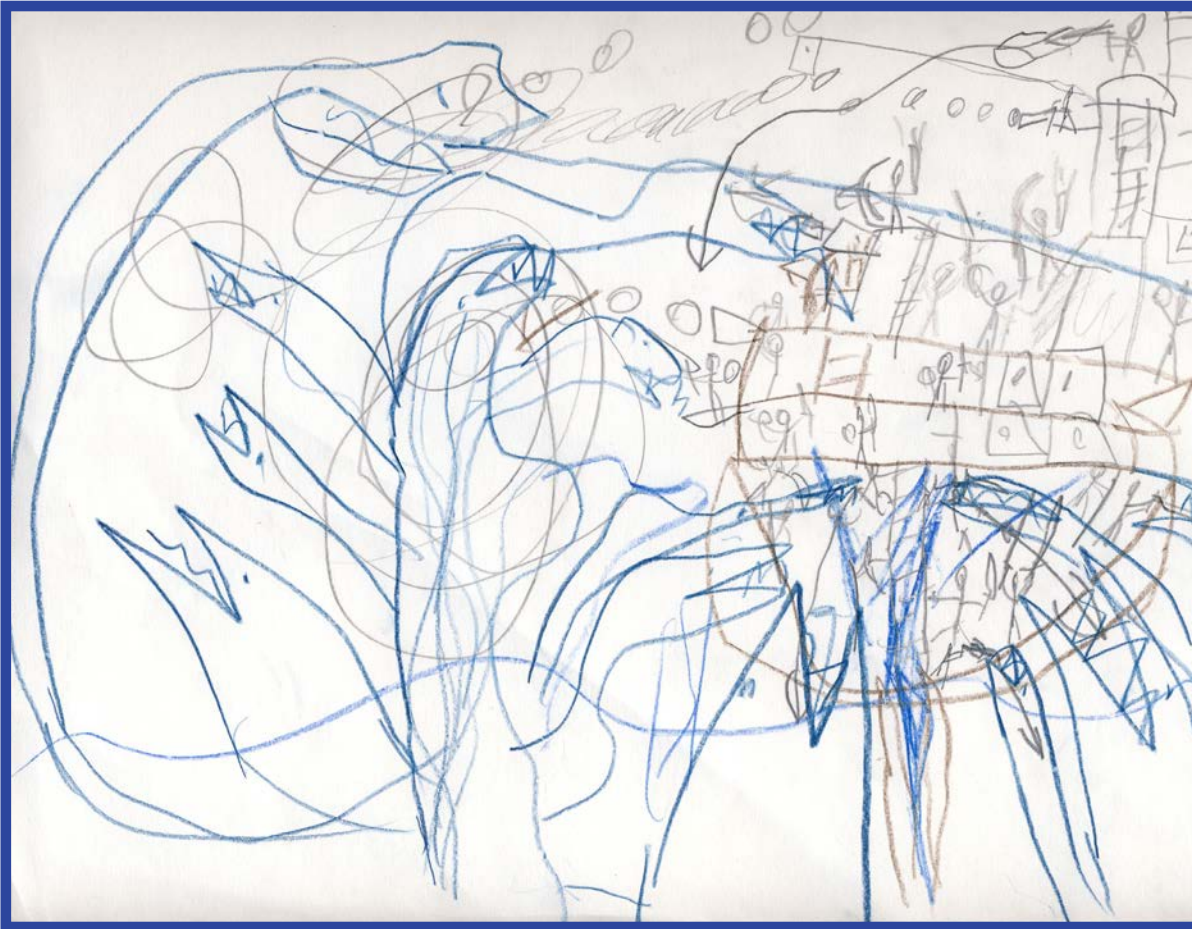


When they went exploring the island, they discovered food and they ate and ate until they fell asleep. When they woke up, they found themselves surrounded by more than 100 pirates. They decided to go quietly with the pirates on the ship they stole.



When they got on the ship, the pirates locked them in the brig. One night, when all the pirates got drunk, the sailors decided to trick the pirates into taking the cursed treasure.

After having the cursed treasure for 3 days, the pirates turned into dust. The sailors took their ship back and dumped the cursed treasure back into the ocean.



When they took the ship back to the location of the sea monster they saw it had 8 more heads. There was a very long battle with the 8 heads and they only destroyed 5 of the 8 heads.

Then the sailors easily killed 2 heads; the last head was the hardest to kill because it was the

main head. They eventually killed the sea monster and returned home to collect the riches and tell their amazing adventure to everyone.

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