

Goliath

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'Catch!' shouted Delphie the dolphin gleefully, hurling the squishy ball to her best friend, Dan.

'Gotcha!' exclaimed Dan, catching the ball along with a swirl of bubbles, flipping a somersault in the clear, sparkling waters.

The two little dolphins were playing ball outside their homes, giggling and laughing, when some freezing cold water swept by them.

'What on earth was that?' Dan frowned. Suddenly, his mother rushed out of the house, with a terrified look on her face.

'Get away from here! Get away!' she shrieked. 'The Ice Witch is turning the sea into ice!' Delphie and Dan stared at each other, horrified.

'We'll be frozen dead!' Delphie screamed.

Like a bat out of hell wouldn't even be fit to describe the children's next moves as a crackling sound was heard. Their tails swished so fast they became a blur among the cold waters, tumbling head over tail into nowhere.

It seemed to have passed more than ten hours before the dolphins opened their eyes slowly. Delphie shivered. They were far from the ice now, but they were still in a freezer.

'You alright?' Dan nudged Delphie.

'I'm----' Her words were interrupted by a sweep of darkness.

A cackling laugh filled the children's ears. 'So you have survived?' Out of the darkness appeared a black octopus. It was the Ice Witch.

Dan and Delphie gasped, but still looked at each other with determination. 'Let's kill the witch!' shouted Dan.

'You're gonna kill *me*?' The witch laughed. 'You----'

'BAM----' A rock was hauled at the witch's head with a flurry of swirling water and bubbles. 'Aaaaa...' the witch screamed, falling onto the sandy floor with a thud.

The dolphins looked at each other in astonishment. 'We did it!' They had killed the witch by throwing some stones from the seabed.

'Thump!' A little book fell from one of the witch's tentacles. Dan swam swiftly and picked it up gently.

" 'The Method to Turn Ice Back into Water'," Dan read. He looked up with eyes shining brightly. 'We can do it!'

And so they did. They learnt the spell to turn the ice back into the blue seas, and everyone survived.

Except the witch, who was killed like Goliath.

