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My Ending To The Misadventures At The Lighthouse

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Scene 21

Stevie opens his eyes to see he is in a wooden room.

Stevie: Hello? Is anyone out here? Where am I?

Stevie swivels his head left to right. He does not find anyone recognizable to him.

Mysterious voice: Hello? Is someone there?

Stevie hears footsteps coming down the staircase and his eyes turn big as saucers.

Matthew: Hello, young boy. My name is Matthew. What are you doing on "Marita Louise"? I don't think children are supposed to be on board.

Stevie: What year is this? Did you just say that we are on THE "Marita Louise"?

Matthew: Why, indeed we are! Isn't this the finest ship you've seen in the 19' hundreds? Oh, and for the date you wanted to know about, it's 1921! Why do you ask?

Stevie (Thought): Oh no! It's the ship that the old man (from scene 18) mentioned! What happened to me?

Scene 22

Charlotte and Kim are found sitting on a bench.

Charlotte: Where is my grandpa?!

Kim: We'll find him. Don't panic, I'm sure he's been seen right now nearby, the person just has to call in! Maybe...

Kim and Charlotte see Annie and Devon running up to them.

Annie: Guys! Have either of you seen Stevie?

Kim: No, why do you ask?

Devon: Rooster led us to the old lighthouse, but Stevie isn't in there!

Charlotte: You don't think my grandpa's disappearance is connected with your brother's absence, do you?

Annie: I don't know, but it might. Can you guys help me?

Charlotte: As long as you help me find my grandpa.

Annie: Deal!

Scene 23

Stevie is now in total shock that he somehow time-traveled through time.

Matthew: Is something wrong?

Stevie: Yes, something is wrong! For some reason I got sent back 100 years in time!

Matthew: So, you're saying that you were sent from ... 2021?!

Stevie: Yes?

Matthew: Woah! Do you have all kinds of gadgets like something that can tell you almost everything in the world?!

Stevie: It's called a phone, but we're getting off topic here! We need to find a way to send myself back to my time, but I don't know how.

Stevie puts on a sad face and Matthew tries to think of a way to send him back.

Matthew: Wait! I think I know who can send you back!

Stevie: Who?

Matthew: Salty!

Stevie: Who's Salty?

Matthew: Salty's the lighthouse keeper, but he knows how to build almost anything! He even helped build this good girl!

Stevie: Wait, I think I remember Kim telling me that Charlotte's grandpa used to be a lighthouse keeper.

Maybe Salty is Old Salt! Please lead me to him!

Scene 24

Annie, Charlotte, Devon and Kim look around the forest and the lighthouse for Old Salt and Stevie, but they do not find him.

Charlotte: What are we going to do?!

Annie: Maybe, if we just wait then they'll somehow reappear? You know what they say, a watched pot never boils!

Uneasy glances bounce around the friends.

Scene 25

Stevie and Matthew get on a lifeboat and they row their boat to the lighthouse to find Salty (Old Salt).

Matthew: Don't worry, we're almost there!

Stevie: You said 5 minutes ago. And 5 minutes before that. And 5 minutes before that. And 5 minutes before that. And 5--

Matthew: I GET IT!?!?!?

Stevie and Matthew find the lighthouse and they walk to the top where they find Salty.

Matthew: Hey, Salty! I, uh, made a new friend here. His name is Stevie.

Stevie noticed that Salty's eyes glittered and was only looking at Stevie and ignoring what Matthew was talking about.

Salty: Hey Matthew, can I have a minute alone with this boy? I reckon that he is going to be very important to me.

Scene 26

Annie, Charlotte, Devon, and Kim were studying the lighthouse when Annie noticed something.

Annie: Hey guy! I found something.

Everyone gathers around Annie to take a closer look.

Kim: What is that?

Devon: It looks like a piece of technology or something.

Charlotte: Hmm, I don't know what it is, but I know who would. Inventor Rebecca!

Annie, Charlotte, Devon, and Kim rush to Inventor Rebecca's lab.

Rebecca: Oh, hey guys! What are you doing here?

Annie: My brother and Charlotte's grandpa disappeared and we found this metal thingy and we were wondering if you could identify what it was.

Rebecca: Of course I can identify it for you!

Rebecca studies the mysterious object for a few minutes until she turns to face the kids with a pale face.

Rebecca: I think I know where your brother and your grandpa had gone.

Scene 27

Salty: I know where you're from.

Stevie: You do?

Salty: You're from the future, aren't you? Specifically 2021, right?

Stevie: How do you know that?

Salty: A few hours ago, I got a message from what appears to be my older self that I would meet a young boy with new clothes. And it appears so.

Stevie: Well, can you send me back?

Salty: Of course! Wait..... Uh, how do I say this? Um... Well, my older self told me that I can't send you back because well, I'm not supposed to tell you.

Stevie: Really?

Salty: Well, if you can tell me one thing about me that's from the future, then I'll tell you.

Stevie: That's really random, but okay, well, um, in the future, your name is Old Salt!

Salty: I already know that. Tell me something else.

Stevie: Well, I don't really know much about you-- er, I mean Old Salty.

Salty: EXACTLY! Whenever I try to talk to you, you always try to squirm your way out of our conversation. The futuristic me told me that there's something called a scavenger hunt. While I was at a place for something called physio, your mom told me that you might've been coming by, so the future me told me that I've been patiently waiting for you, but YOU never came by. YOU KNOW WHY? Because you were at your silly scavenger hunt! Which is why I want you to stay here so I won't have to be ignored by YOU!

Stevie: I get it.

Salty: Wait, aren't you gonna get mad at me and shout at me like crazy?

Stevie: No, because I .... get you.

Salty: What?

Stevie: Last year, in my time, I made a friend. His name was Pax. We did all kinds of activities together. We worked together in group projects, we were always on the same team at gym, we like the same things, but then, \*sigh\* we got into a really really big fight. He got so mad that he convinced his parents to move to another province and I never heard from him again. I wish that I could go back in time and change the future, but I looked over the possibilities and it's just worse than I faced in real time.

Salty: Why are you telling me this?

Stevie: Don't try to change the future! The outcome later on will never be better in the future. Do you know what I'm trying to tell you now?

Salty: .....Yes. Yes I do!

Stevie: Can you now please send me back? My friends and family must be really worried by now.

Salty: Yes! All I need to do now is know what happened right before you were sent here.

Stevie: I was walking to a lighthouse in 2021, July 22, 1:00 pm.

Salty: Ah yes, Stevie was walking to a lighthouse in 2021, July 22, 1:00pm....

SHWOOP!

Scene 28

Annie, Charlotte, Devon and Kim are found sitting on the beach in front of the lighthouse.

Annie: Maybe we should head back home now.

Charlotte: But we can't! We still have to find my grandpa and Stevie!

Kim: \*sigh\* Maybe Annie's right, Charlotte. We'll have a better chance at finding them in daylight.

Devon: C'mon everyone.

Everyone gets up, but then they hear a SHWOOP and a blue light from the lighthouse.

Annie: That's the place Stevie disappeared! Maybe he came back! C'mon everybody!

Everyone runs to the lighthouse and finds Stevie on the ground holding his ankle.

Devon: Are you alright? Where were you? How did you disappear?

Stevie: It might be better if I didn't tell you.

Annie calls her mom and picks up the kids including Stevie and goes to the hospital to treat Stevie's injuries. Then Annie, Devon, Kim and Charlotte go to the last place they found the clue.

Annie: Look!

They all see a piece of paper on the ground.

Devon: It says: 'Congratulations! You won the scavenger hunt! Meet the mayor at the place where you started'

They hear a clip-clop behind them and they turn their heads. They see Old Salt!

Charlotte: Grandpa! Where were you?

Old Salt: It would be better if I didn't tell ya. Now, let's go finish this scavenger hunt!

They go to the place and even though the mayor is surprised to see them working as 4 instead of groups of 3, they explain their story and the mayor accepts. They each get a red ribbon and a small trophy.

Scene 29

Bob 1 and 2 are found rummaging in the dumpster.

Bob 1: You sure this is the place for the note?

They both hear an alert on their phone and they look at their message.

Bob 1 and 2: 'A group got to the finish line before you. Maybe next year you can be that group.'

Bob 2: We were so close! So close!

Bob 1: It's ok bro. At least we can each eat a hotdog from this place!