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Jack Frost's Spell

To the palace we will go, Because my spell will make it so. Enchanted Pearls I mean to take, Leaving chaos in my wake.

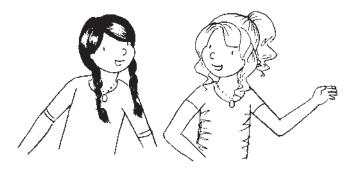
Tides will rise to flood both worlds, While my goblins have the pearls. So goblins keep them safe for me Hidden deep beneath the sea.



Story Two The Twilight Pearl



Chapter Six Ship Ahoy



"It's another gorgeous day, Rachel!" said Kirsty. "What shall we do?"

It was the following morning, and the girls were getting ready to go out with Kirsty's gran.

"I don't mind," Rachel replied. She glanced across at Gran, who was



tidying the kitchen, and lowered her voice. "Maybe we helped to make the day start so bright and sunny by finding the Dawn Pearl."



"Maybe," Kirsty agreed. "I just hope we get a chance to help Shannon look for the other missing pearls today."

"What about a walk to the pier this morning, girls?" Gran suggested.

"That's a great idea!" Kirsty exclaimed. "There's a fairground at the end of the pier with a rollercoaster ride



that goes right out over the sea!"

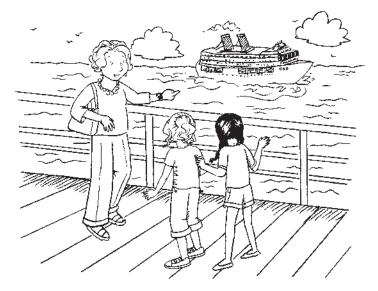
"Ooh, fun!" Rachel said with a grin.

Gran laughed. "Come on, then," she said.

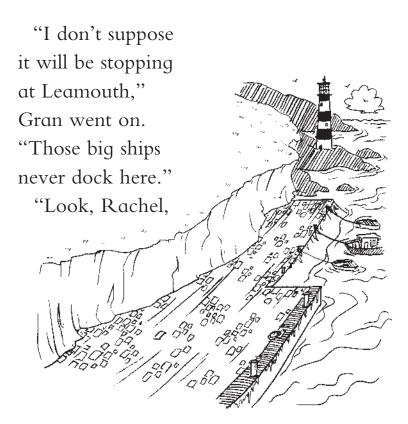
They all set off along the seafront towards the pier.

"Look at that big cruiseliner out at sea," Gran remarked, as they passed the harbour.

Rachel and Kirsty looked out across the water to see a huge white ship with black funnels in the distance.



Shannon was to be to be



there's the old lighthouse," Kirsty said.
"There are some really dangerous rocks
around the harbour, so the lighthouse
was built to guide ships in safely."

Rachel stared up at the white-and-



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red-painted lighthouse standing on a rocky outcrop at the harbour entrance. "Is it still working?" she asked.

Gran shook her head. "No, modern ships have all sorts of high-tech equipment to guide them these days," she replied. "There are plans to turn the lighthouse into an artists' studio."

They walked on towards the pier, at the other end of the beach.

"I expect you girls want to explore," Gran said as they reached the entrance. "I'll have a drink in the café while I'm waiting for you."

Gran led the way to the Starfish Café, a little way along the pier, and sat down at a table looking out over the sea.

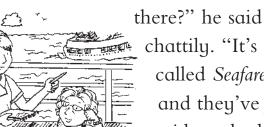
"A pot of tea for one, please," Gran told the waiter.





The man wrote it on his notepad.

"See that big cruiseliner out



chattily. "It's called *Seafarer*, and they've just said on the local radio station that it's going to dock

right here in Leamouth!"

"Really?" Gran asked, looking surprised. "That's unusual."

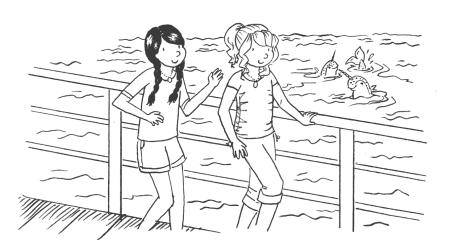
"Yes, apparently the ship is having problems with its navigation systems and so it needs to dock as soon as possible," the man explained. "You'll have a perfect view of it from this table, although it won't be docking for an hour or so yet."

"It'll be brilliant to see the ship coming in," Rachel commented.

Gran checked her watch. "Well, why don't you go and explore, and then come back to watch the ship dock?" she suggested. "I'll sit here and read till you get back," she added, taking a book out of her handbag.

"See you later then, Gran," said Kirsty, and she and Rachel set off together along the pier.

"The sky looks very black over there by the harbour entrance, even though



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the sun's shining," Rachel remarked, pointing far out to sea.

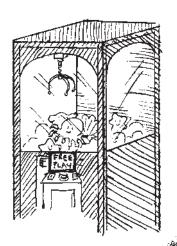
Kirsty nodded. "Maybe there's a storm coming," she replied.

The girls were just passing a small games arcade, when a machine by the entrance started flashing its lights and playing a merry tune.

Rachel stopped. "FREE PLAY'," she read aloud from the little screen.

"Have a go!" Kirsty urged.

"I've tried this before but I'm no



good at it," Rachel admitted.

The machine was full of soft toys in a glass case, and a large metal claw hung above them.

Ship Ahoy

The claw, which was used to grab the toys, was operated by a lever. Rachel took hold of the lever and moved the claw downwards. It swung around a bit, but

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Rachel finally managed to grab a fluffy narwhal toy.

"Well done!" Kirsty cried, as Rachel carefully moved the narwhal over to

the chute and released the metal claw. The narwhal dropped straight down the chute.

"You did it!" Kirsty laughed.
Smiling, Rachel drew



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back the panel to retrieve her prize, then gasped as a cloud of aquamarine sparkles burst out.



Ship Ahoy

"Hello, girls!" Shannon the Ocean Fairy cried. "I need your help to find the Twilight Pearl – and fast!"







Chapter Seven Narwhals in the Night



Rachel and Kirsty were keen to help.
"You'll have to be fairy-sized,"
Shannon said. "Quick, get out of sight."

Rachel and Kirsty ducked swiftly behind the machine, where one flick of Shannon's wand transformed them into little fairies, complete with





glittering wings.

Once again, Shannon conjured up magic bubbles to enable the girls to breathe underwater.

"Let's go, girls," Shannon said, flying off towards the end of the pier.



Rachel and Kirsty whizzed after her.

"Nightfall is already being disrupted in parts of the world because the Twilight Pearl is missing," Shannon explained as they flew. "Last night, darkness didn't fall at the South Pole – luckily, only the



penguins noticed!"

"There aren't any people living at the South Pole, are there?" asked Rachel.

"No, there aren't," Shannon replied, "so no humans have noticed the disruption yet. But if the Twilight Pearl isn't restored to its proper place soon,

there'll be night-time chaos everywhere!"

"Where are the goblins with the

Twilight Pearl?" Kirsty asked.

"I think they're underwater somewhere

near here," Shannon replied. "The presence of the Twilight Pearl is causing darkness to fall near the entrance to Leamouth Harbour."

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"So that's why it's so dark!" Rachel said, as they reached the end of the pier. "We thought there was a storm coming." "Follow me!" Shannon called as she plunged downwards into the sparkling blue sea. Rachel and Kirsty dived beneath the waves after her. As they sank deeper, the sun filtered down through the water, lighting up the golden seabed and rippling fronds of seaweed. A shoal of silvery

fish flickered past

them and the

Narwhals in the Night

girls grinned in delight.

"This way," Shannon said, darting through the greeny-blue water.

Rachel and Kirsty followed until Shannon stopped and turned to them.

"Look, girls," she said,
"can you see how the
colour of the sea
is changing?"

Rachel and Kirsty gazed ahead of them.

Sure enough, the greeny-blue colour of the water was deepening to a dark indigo.

"This is the





effect of the Twilight Pearl," Shannon explained. "It's becoming night-time everywhere."

She tapped her wand lightly on her hand, caught

a sparkle as it fell and then fixed it to the tip of her wand, where it glowed brightly. "We'll use this to light our way. I just

hope the goblins don't spot,

us coming."

Shannon swam off more slowly this time, with Kirsty and Rachel close behind her. But although Shannon's glowing wand helped a little, the waters around them were steadily growing



Narwhals in the Night

darker and darker.

Kirsty wondered
how they were
ever going to find
the goblins and the
Twilight Pearl in the
ever-increasing gloom.

Suddenly, Shannon stopped again, tipping her head to one side and listening. "We need the narwhals again," she said, looking determined. "Wait here, and I'll be back in two shakes of a fish's tail!" And she shot off into the darkness.



Rachel and Kirsty
waited hopefully.
Seconds later,
Shannon came back.
"Here they come,"



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she announced, holding up her lighted wand. Rachel and Kirsty gasped as, behind Shannon, they saw the

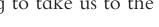
narwhals up close for the

first time.

"They are so beautiful," whispered Rachel.
The narwhals

swam around the fairies, squeaking and clicking in greeting, glimmering beams of light shining out of their tusks.

"The narwhals know the oceans better than anyone else," Shannon explained. "They're going to take us to the





goblins." She waved her sparkling wand.

"And they have offered to let us ride on their backs, so we'll get there even

more quickly!"

"That's fantastic!" Rachel exclaimed.

"I can't believe it,"
Kirsty breathed as
one narwhal swam
over to her and
squeaked, inviting
her to climb aboard.

Kirsty clambered carefully on to its sleek back, as Rachel and

Shannon jumped on to

their own narwhals.

"Make sure you hold on tight," Shannon called, grabbing on to

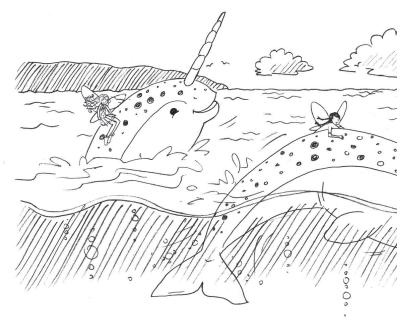


her narwhal. "When a narwhal swims fast, it's really fast!"

"I see what you mean!" Kirsty gasped, as her narwhal took off like a rocket.

Chattering happily to each other, the other narwhals followed. Rachel and Kirsty hung on tightly as they zipped through the darkening seas.

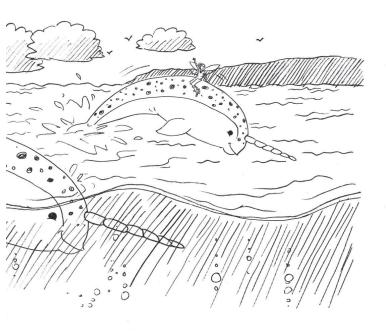
"This is fun!" Rachel called.
"Woohoo!" she cheered as her narwhal



leapt out of the water and glided through the air in a perfect arc before plunging beneath the waves again.

Soon it was so dark underwater that Shannon and the girls could hardly even see each other, but the narwhals were still sure of where they were going, so neither Rachel nor Kirsty felt scared.

Suddenly, the narwhals began to slow down. In the darkness, the girls could



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hear voices ahead. They exchanged a knowing glance.

"Goblins!" whispered Kirsty.