



## The Odd Hermit Crab

One hot day on the calmest beach in town were a whole bunch of hermit crabs. They were very happy together until... a NEW Hermit Crab came. And I know that doesn't sound that bad, but it was a different colour! That means that he is the odd CRAB!!! They were all sandy beach colour, but the new hermit crab was purple, which is so unlikely. The normal hermit crabs were scared of it, so they made a wall so he couldn't get to them. Meanwhile the poor Purple Hermit Crab was all alone and upset, wishing that he could go home. He was washed out of the ocean away from his family at such a young age. But the other hermit crabs didn't know what was going on, so they continued being scared of the odd hermit crab.

After a few minutes a boy called Connor came where all the hermit crabs were. He was one of the hermit crabs friends. He picked up one of them and asked him why everyone is so scared.

"A new hermit crab is here and he's, he's, purple! And we are all a sandy beach colour," he told him.

"Well", said Connor, we're all different."

"But why are we all the same colour then?"

"Because you all have the name, a Sand Hermit Crab and he's a Purple Puddle Hermit Crab, and Sand Hermit Crabs are the same colour. But you're still different. You aren't the same size, you don't like the same stuff and you can do other stuff that other hermit crabs can't do, but you all love each other." Then the hermit crabs were thinking differently, so Connor

talked more. But first he asked a question to the odd hermit crab.

"How did you get here?" asked Connor.

"I was washed out of the ocean and away from my family," he said.

"I'm sorry you got washed away", said Connor. Then he turned back to the other hermit crabs and said, "This poor hermit crab got washed away from his family. Do you understand what is going on! It is very hard to go through that. Would you like to be away from your family and land somewhere where there is a bunch of different hermit crabs and they just hide from you so you're all alone? I don't think so. So why are you doing that to him?!!!" Then the hermit crabs felt sorry for him.

"Sorry said the old hermit crabs. We just got scared because we have never seen a hermit crab that isn't our colour."

"That's okay said the odd new hermit crab. I just want to get back to my family."

Suddenly, out of the waves came three more Purple Puddle Hermit Crabs. Then they all realised that it was the odd hermit crabs family and they ran to hug each other.

"Oh honey, are you okay?" said the mum.

"Yes, I'm alright replied the odd hermit crab. But I have a question, how are we going to get back in the water?"

"We will have to find somewhere else to live", replied the mum.

"Umm, can we live with them? They are my friends that I made. If it's okay with you guys?"

"If it's okay? Of course it's okay. We really want you to!"

"Umm, okay, let's do it," said the mum hermit crab.

"Yay!!!"

"Thanks mum," replied the new hermit crab. "Let me introduce you to my family. This is my mum, this is my dad and this is my little sister."

"Nice to meet you" they all said.

Then all day and all night they talked and talked and lived happily ever after.

The end!

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### **When You Wish Upon A Star**

**Oh my god you are never going to believe what happened yesterday! I was at school in maths listening to my teacher when I felt super dizzy! It wasn't any ordinary type of dizzy it was like I was going into another universe! I asked the teacher if I could go to the nurses office and he said yes. So I walked over with my friend Avabelle. When I got there I told the nurse how I felt. She said that I might have symptoms of something that is too hard to spell. Then she told me to sit down so I did. Suddenly I was sneezing and I felt like I was going to faint. I closed my eyes and started to see a star come closer to me like it was real but I knew it wasn't. The star picked me up and we flew through space for about three minutes until we stopped and before I knew it I was in a land of glue! When the star set me down I was AMAZED! The whole land was covered in glue! The houses , grass , food and everything else! When I walked around I saw a little stall selling craft glue lemonade and it was 20 cents. Luckily I had 20 cents in my back pocket. I ran over and got a cup of it. It was sticky and tasted like cinnamon to me! Then the star called me over so I ran over and hopped on. We flew through space again while I was finishing my craft glue lemonade and before I could say goodbye I was back in the nurses office wide awake feeling much better! Avabelle told me about what happened while I fainted! I told Avabelle about the dream I had. But I really want that dream to become real! Well, that's what happened yesterday!**

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# **BOB'S LIFE IN NAFALAFAGAS**

**BY KALANI CHAFFEY**

There once was a humongous man his name was Bob. Bob lived in a purple candy land called Nafalafagas. Bob was [almost] always depressed. Bob works at the 'Shadow Berry Farm. The Shadow Berry Farm grows shadow berries until they are ripe to then wash and send to the local Nafalogian factory to mash up and put them in the blue sauce bottles to put in the shop.

One morning Bob woke up feeling great! Bob thinks he will have an awesome day today. "I feel awesomely awesome ". Bob went downstairs and there was a little amount of Fruit Loops but you know what that means... all the sugary stuff down the bottom! "OH YEAH!" (I think he woke up his neighbours!), screamed Bob. Bob finished his fruit loops and headed to work.

Bob met his best BFF Chloe. Chloe and Bob got two huge crusty, musty, sandy weaved baskets and they both headed off to the crops. But they couldn't find a single bud of a shadow berry. "NOOO, SHADOW BERRIES ARE EXTINCT! WAAA HAA BOOO HOO!" cried Chloe.

Bob and Chloe had been searching for a bazillion Nafalogian hours when Bob had an awesome idea. "Why don't we fly down to a crazy planet called Planet Earfh", hollered Bob. "I think it is called Earth," replied Chloe. "Well let's go!", answered Bob.

So that is what they did. It had been 900000000 bazillion hours when Bob and Chloe landed on Earth. Bob and Chloe asked someone, "Could we please have some blue sauce bottles and shadow berry seeds?". But all he heard was gibberish. "Excuse me, what did you say?", exclaimed the man. "Oh well", whispered Chloe. "We'll find some ourselves", replied Bob.

So, they [Bob and Chloe] found a factory and got some blue sauce bottles. Bob and Chloe couldn't find any shadow berries or shadow berry seeds, so they bought some strawberry seeds and flew back to Nafalafagas. Bob and Chloe worked at the factory for 99 nafalogion hours and came up with the limited edition 'PINK SAUCE!'

In the end, everyone LOVED the new pink sauce and every 4-6 months Bob or Chloe flew to Earth and bought strawberry seeds and some earth groceries. Bob flew to earth for a holiday and bought some milk, cheese, oranges, bananas and cat food [I have no idea why though]. Bob and Chloe ate the cat food [and enjoyed it, bleagh ] so made it a new Nafalogion food.

The End

## Back in time by Hugh Owen

Many years ago, a family of four came to the big Ngarrindjeri land. They were allowed on this beautiful place because they were related to the Ngarrindjeri family. The dad said to Jackie and April "go put your bags in the big green tent." The two twins ran over to the big green tent. And saw five big golden kangaroos jumping across the old dirt road. The twins arrived at the big green tent and put their bags of everything they needed in it. They started unpacking all of their equipment in a big pile. The mum came along and put her bags in but she said that she was going to unpack her bag later with dad. They walked together back to the car where dad was unloading the car. **BANG!** He shut the boot and told everyone to carry something back to the tent. They saw a bunch of koalas. They put all their things in the tent. Dad said "free time everybody". The twins went to feed some of the animals. They were so nice to the animals. April started feeding the blue tongue lizard with a little bit of meat from the car. The dad was just chilling on a deck chair in the warm Aussie sun. Mum was going for a walk by herself around the whole block of land. But even she knew it was going to take a very long time to walk around the whole Ngarrindjeri land. She really wanted to see all of the amazing nature. She saw the same golden kangaroos. They were so beautiful and shiny. She also saw a little echidna right next to a little tree. She picked the little echidna up carefully and started looking for its parents. It took so long to find the family but suddenly she found the spot where all of the echidnas were and he ran over there happily. But suddenly she saw lots of smoke and some bright orange and red fire. She was racing the fire home. She was sprinting so fast and running back to dad. She suddenly got back to dad as the fire was just meters away. The twins were hiding in the car as they could hear mum and shouting out of what to do if the fire kept coming towards them. Dad ran over the dirt road and straight to the car to get a bucket. **BANG!** He shut the boot and ran straight back to the tent with the bucket. **SWOOSH!** He ran straight to the river and filled the bucket up, put the water on the fire and carefully put it out. It took so long to put out the fire but luckily, he put it out in a flash. And everyone was ok, and they lived forever. THE END.