# The adventures of Susan Tailsnap 

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#### Abstract

I live on the beach with a big family. That means a huge family . 321 siblings to be precise. Even though I rarely get attention from my parents, they always catch me when I try to sneak out.


They say I'm too young. One day I had enough. At 2:00 AM, I sneaked out. The water felt so good on my feet. Suddenly, I felt like I didn't have legs anymore. I peeked at the water. A beautiful aqua tail had taken their place.

A wave pulled me in the water. I swam around for a little bit until I saw this door. It had a note that said " don't you dare go through this door, there are monsters, sharks, jellyfish and more. Beyond this point, there are dangers that scare , they won't leave you with a single hair,but go ahead and go, if you would like to do so.
" It was so tempting! I decided to go. When I opened the door, all I could was this giant black thing floating in the sapphire waters. Then it suddenly grabbed me. " Let go !" I yelled. It just squeezed me tighter. Then an idea struck me. I started singing " rockaby baby , on a treetop" It went straight to sleep , dropping me.

I was free! Then , I noticed a cave with a sound coming from it. I could hear ..... crying! I raced into cave, not even
realizing when the entrance closed. I saw another mermaid. " what happened?" I asked. " My n-name is M-M-Mermina ,I got ttrapped in here a f-few days a-ago, who are $y$-you?"

My name is Susan Tailsnap " I replied ". Nice to meet you Susan, but we have to get out of here. " Mermina said. I suddenly splashed the water " we can use our tails to scrape a whole in the rock! " " good idea !"

After a while, we made a whole big enough to squeeze through. "Bye , Mermina " I said " Bye " she said back I dodged the black thing, got out of the water and went back home. Or to rephrase that "wake up". That was a dream?!?!

