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Splash! Splash!

At the last utterance, ten of them leapt into the water and swam towards the small island

"You can do it!"

"Do your best! Go for it!"

Those watching the competition from the shore were really excited. They transformed into cheerleaders, whopping and screaming words of encouragement from the shore. The one hundred million stake made for an incredibly thrilling competition.

"Good luck Carlene! You're gorgeous!"

"She's stunning. How can she this captivating while even when she is swimming?"

"Susanna is beautiful as well..."

"That pretty girl from Nebula City is very elegant too..."

The men crowding the shores were fixated on the undulating figures of the ladies in the water.

There were a few women who were without swimming gear and opted to go in with whatever they were wearing. Through the rippling currents, one could make out the alluring figure of the women whose clothes were plastered to their bodies.

It was a flawless portrait.

"Wow, come and see!"

A few spectators pointed at some of the male competitors.

With an uproarious splash, Kurt Taylor and another young man were putting on a performance of their skills. They interchanged between the backstroke and the butterfly stroke. Their enthusiastic display successfully riled up the crowd.

Only Alex employed the backstroke. Although it was the type of stroke which depleted the least of its swimmer's energy, it was not particularly fast. Yet Alex was neck and neck with Kurt and the rest.

When he realized Alex was keeping in pace with him, Kurt's eyes narrowed with hostility.

But we're still far from the finish line. There's no need to be overly concerned.

There's no point in me exerting all my energy now.

When I unleash my power, I'll definitely be able to rocket past the rest of them.

But at this moment, cries of shock reached his ears.

"What's that?"

"Oh my god! Is that an alligator?"

"Alligator! It's an alligator! Come back! Swim back now! Quick!"

The ten focused competitors were instantly halted by the exclamation from those on the shore. They whipped their heads around, panic-stricken.

About ten meters away, they could see a grey scaly surface jutted out of the water. It was moving towards them at breakneck speed.

"Alligator!"

"There's really an alligator!"

Jessica, Carlene and a few other women screamed in

horror.

Even the men's faces were drained of color. The most terrifying creature to lurk shallow waters was the alligator.

"Head back now!"

Carlene was frightened to the core. Despite her impressive swimming skills, she was still no match for an alligator.

Everybody in the water was beyond terrified. They swam for the shore as quickly as their limbs would carry them without thinking much about the competition.

None were willing to sacrifice their life for the sake of the one hundred million in the prize.

But the alligator was drawing near and was almost near a few of the women.

Many of the spectators had shut their eyes, not wanting to see the impending bloodbath.

Only two people present still had a hold of their composure.

They were Alex and Kurt.

From where Alex was, he could clearly see the 'alligator'.

Haha, since when did alligators have arms and legs? It's obviously a person in disguise!

But why is Kurt so calm?

He's just an ordinary man.

How could an ordinary man be so fearless in the face of an alligator?

I don't believe this.

Which means he must have known about the 'alligator' attack beforehand.

I see.

Kurt hired someone to pretend to be an 'alligator".

This rascal actually stooped so low to such a despicable trick in order to win.

Alex smirked inwardly. As if I'll allow things to go so smoothly for him.

In a flash, the 'alligator' was closing in on the women.

The three beauties Jessica, Carlene and Susanna no longer had any thought for their image. They were totally consumed by fear.

"Save us, Mr. Jefferson..."

In her desperation, Jessica called out to the only person she knew could help. However, in the process, she accidentally revealed his identity.

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Fortunately, her revelation went unnoticed by everyone, who were all too preoccupied with the supposed crisis.

Alex smirked. I get it now. Kurt went to such lengths to set this trick up for the purpose of impressing Carlene. Then, I shall grant his wish.

Hence, Alex ignored the call for help.

As Alex suspected, Kurt exclaimed, "Don't be afraid, I'll save you! You filthy reptile! Just come to me!"

As he spoke, he projected himself towards the 'alligator."

"Wow!"

"How manly! He's so cool!"

"Is he not scared at all?"

Several women on the shore were trapped by his outlandish performance. Their eyes were glued to him as they clapped thunderously.

He's not even afraid to take on an alligator! What an impressive man!

Only Jessica did not share their sentiment. For some reason, seeing that Alex did not come to her rescue make her feel rather sad and uncomfortable.

This may be normal seeing how dangerous the situation is.

So why am I so upset?

Why didn't he come and save me?

The rest of the men did. They ignored the danger and protected me.

It looks like I've put too much thought into this...

While Jessica was lost in her strange heartache, the 'alligator' was making a beeline for Carlene.

Carlene turned as white as a sheet. Her whole body was trembling as she shrieked, "Save me, Kurt!"

Although l've collected many experiences, we're still talking about an actual alligator here!

The corners of Kurt's lips curled upwards. Haha! Just watch as I become her knight in shining armor! Hahaha!

Not only will I prove my masculinity to Carlene, but I'll also sweep the victory for myself.

All my hard work was for this.

However, the 'alligator' seemed to be unusually aggressive. It charged into all the women and thrashed about violently.

Yet it did not seem to be biting anyone.

A few of the young men realized something was off. Their courage surged and they jumped into action to protect their female companions.

Only Alex remained on the fence. He quietly reclined and watched the scene unfold.

When Jessica saw that, her spirits plummeted.

Even at such a crucial moment, he makes no move to come and save me.

I guess l've been deluding myself.

"Hurry, Kurt! Hurry!"

Carlene was overwhelmed with fear. Why is it only chasing me?

"Don't be afraid, Carlene! I'm coming!" Kurt broke out in a wide smile and made a show of swimming over to her. While he moved, he pulled out his dagger.

He had prepared the dagger in advance.

He was demonstrating a level of courage that surpassed everyone's expectation of him.

He made it to Carlene in just a moment as though he had been injected with adrenaline. He wrapped one arm around her slender waist while the other hand clutched the dagger. He waved the dagger ferociously in front of the 'alligator' as he bellowed, "You beast! Know your place! How dare you try and harm my friend! You're dead meat!"

He pulled Carlene tightly against himself. As he felt her supple skin press against his, his heart sang with delight.

Carlene was none the wiser. She was still exceedingly frightened and failed to notice Kurt's lecherous intent.

Instead, she encircled her arms around his neck and plastered herself to him in all her fear. She was extremely touched by his heroic act.

I always knew he had feelings for me. He had publicly announced that he wanted to woo me on numerous occasions after all.

But I've never responded his show of affection.

I never expected him to come to my aid in such a perilous situation. He didn't even spare a thought for his own safety and rushed over to me immediately. Carlene was incredibly touched.

If I manage to survive this, I'll agree to go out with him.

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He should really become an actor.

Those on the shore were still in the dark. When they

saw Kurt's display of bravery, they were stunned.

With a mixture of nervousness and awe, they took their hats off to him.

There were so many people there, yet no one else has proved themselves to be as brave as him!

"Be careful, Kurt!"

"It's an alligator you're facing!" Many onlookers yelled.

With complete confidence, Kurt took aim and seemed to expertly stab the reptile.

However, the blade did not actually make contact with the 'alligator."

The 'alligator' moved on to the next stage of their plan. It punctured a bag of pig's blood underwater

before thrashing about exaggeratedly.

Shortly after, the 'alligator' fell limp and sank underneath the water. It quickly disappeared from sight.

With his plan completed without a hitch, Kurt took a deep breath and made a show of pretending he was still on edge.

He embraced Carlene and gently patted her shoulder. "It's all over now. With me around, I'll never allow anything to harm you, Carlene."

"Thank you."

Carlene bit her lip and whispered.

I never realized he was so courageous.

Kurt's easy triumph over the alligator sent the crowd into a round of resounding cheers and applause.

"Holy shit, Kurt actually killed an alligator?"

"Who knew he was so fierce? He actually took down an alligator! He's simply amazing!" The general consensus used to be that Kurt was a weak spoiled brat who always had bodyguards to shield him.

But the 'alligator attack' had completely transformed that notion.

He's so manly.

This is what a real man should be.

Only someone like him deserves beautiful women!

Kurt basked in the avalanche of admiration as he hugged Carlene even closer.

"That's enough. Thank you. You can let go of me now." Carlene recomposed herself and murmured bashfully. Although Kurt was reluctant, Carlene's shy attitude had told him enough. He had finally wormed his way into her heart.

He did as she asked.

I want her to give herself completely to me. It's better if I leave her with a better impression.

Hehehe, what a great performance.

Alex chucked. Damn, that was more dramatic than a television show.

Alex sighed in resignation before he turned and swam towards Jessica.

"Are you okay, Jessica?" Alex asked with a smile on his face.

Jessica glanced at Alex. He might be my boss, but I can't help but feel disappointed.

What a hypocritical man.

I regret asking him for help. I shouldn't have asked him to come with me.

At this moment, she felt the urge to cry build within her.

"I'm fine." Jessica shook her head slightly.

She could not bring herself to face Alex for even a second longer and turned to look at the shore.

I don't want to participate in the competition anymore.

Alex is loaded anyway, so one hundred million is

peanuts to him.

At the very most, he'll just fire me when we get back.

I would rather he fire me than have to stare at his hypocritical smugness.

Jessica's obvious disappointment was like a wake-up call to Alex.

Did I go too far?

Since I knew the alligator was fake, I knew Jessica would be safe and didn't bother to try and save her.

But she doesn't know the alligator was fake.

Alex smiled ruefully. Maybe I shouldn't have done that.

He shook his head and prepared to offer Jessica an explanation.

But at this moment, an ear-piercing scream sounded out from the shore.

"Is that another alligator?"

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"What the hell? There is another one?"

As the crowd dissolved into exclamations of shock, one could clearly make out the image of another grey scaly fin. Just like the previous one, this one was also not far off.

It looked like the real deal this time.

However, the panic level of the crowd was considerably lower than the previous incident.

After all, Kurt had dispatched the previous one with such ease.

With Kurt around, we have nothing to fear.

Everyone can tell Kurt is a real master.

We might be far from the shore, but as long as we stay near Kurt, we will be safe.

"Kurt! Go for a double kill! End its life!"

The call to arms issued by the crowd left Alex stunned.

Isn't he done yet? Just how many actors did he engage?

Is he really going to repeat the same stunt?

It might be a good ploy but repeating it just reduces its effect.

Kurt was bewildered as well.

Is there another alligator? What's going on? I have only instructed the guy to do the act once. Why is he back again?

Holy crap! Something is wrong!

This alligator was moving much faster than its

predecessor. It was also significantly larger.

Judging from the physique of this alligator...

Shit! It's a real alligator! Damn it!

The smell of the pig's blood must have attracted the real deal!

"Get away! Swim towards the shore now!" Kurt knew what was coming and started screaming his head off.

Jessica, who had just established a safety blanket in him, was confused by his reaction. "Why are you so scared, Kurt? Don't you have your dagger?"

Kurt was engulfed by his terror and could no longer be bothered with Carlene. Without looking back, he took off towards the shore.

"What... What are you doing, Kurt? Wait for me." Carlene chewed on her lip as her stomach turned in disconcertion. Why is he leaving me behind?

He's the only one in the lake who can protect me.

"Get out! Save yourselves! It's a real alligator! This one isn't fake! You'll die if you stay!"

The alligator was approaching them really fast. Kurt's tone of urgency reached a crescendo. In his alarm, he even accidentally gulped down several mouthfuls of water.

I have to get to the shore now! I'll only be safe there. I can't die here!

Unfortunately, Kurt was drenched in the smell of fresh blood. He had just used his dagger to kill the other 'alligator' after all. The alligator picked up on this and zeroed in on him.

No matter how fast he swam, he could not outswim an alligator.

"Don't eat me! Please don't eat me!" Kurt bawled desperately. He was so helpless.

"Please, please don't eat me! I'm begging you!" Kurt wailed at the top of his lungs.

He finally realized the bloodstained dagger was attracting the alligator. He immediately tossed it aside.

It landed smack in the middle of the group of women.

The alligator instantly followed the dagger. It charged towards Jessica, Carlene and Susanna.

"Kurt, you are a jerk!"

Carlene bit down on her lip forcefully. She never imagined Kurt would lead the alligator towards her.

After seeing his action, even a blind man could see

the truth. Kurt was nothing but a fraud. The alligator from before was fake. This one was a real deal.

"Ah!"

Jessica's beautiful face was absolutely devoid of color.

The alligator was speeding towards them. They had nowhere to run or hide. She was ready to succumb to despair.

This is the end...

My life is over...

The three gorgeous women were certain that all hope was gone.


The people all covered their hands over their mouths as horror shined in their eyes.

A few of the more timid members even let out piercing screams.

The alligator had already unhinged its bloodied jaw and was tearing through the water to get to Jessica.

"Ah!"

Jessica shut her eyes and braced herself. She was sure that she had to bid her life goodbye.

She remained rooted to the spot and waited for death to claim her.

Not in her wildest dreams could she have prepared herself for what happened later. The jaws did not close around her.

She slowly opened her eyes. The scene before her shocked her to the core!

She was not alone. Everyone present sucked in sharp breaths. The venue was completely silent.

Alex was currently riding on the alligator. His hands were wrenching the creature's jaws open. No matter how hard the alligator struggled, it could not bring its jaws together.

What?

Everyone was baffled and there was dead silence.

Even a pin drop would be enough to crack the stillness.

Everyone was stupefied with what was happening.

This is just too shocking!

Alex's arms are actually more powerful than the jaws of an alligator! His strength is out of this world!

Even the slightest of slips would spell the end of him!

The alligator flung its body about. Its razor-sharp teeth, each adorned with blood, yearned to sink into Alex's arm.

But no matter how much it struggled, its efforts proved futile.

"Get on the shore now! Why are you still sticking around here?" Alex bellowed at the three women.

Although he practiced martial arts, the biting power of an alligator was not to be underestimated.

One chomp could snap a person in half.

Although he was forcefully keeping its mouth open, the alligator had not given up its attempts to break free. Alex could already feel his Mortal Force depleting rapidly.

When his strength finally gave out, he was sure he would be able to get free. But the same could not be said about the three women.

"But, you... what about you?"

Jessica's body was quivering. Tears were streaming down her face.

At this moment, she finally realized that she had

misunderstood Alex.

He must have seen through the fake alligator and knew it couldn't hurt me. He just didn't want to frivolously compete with Kurt.

But I jumped to conclusions and wronged him...

"I'm sorry chairman. I was wrong to blame you..." Jessica's heart was filled with regret.

"Why are you still here? Do you want to die?"

Alex was getting annoyed. The alligator was thrashing about fiercely, but Alex's strength was diminishing at an accelerated rate.

Why is she still here? Does she actually want to die?

Jessica bit her lip. Despite his irate roar, she felt warm

in her heart.

She knew she would only be a burden to him if she stayed on. All she could do was pray and make a dash for the shore.

"Please be careful!"

Carlene called out to Alex before following Jessica to the shore.

Susanna finally returned to her senses. She studied Alex for a moment before following the other two women.

The rest of the crowd mirrored her actions.

"Emmmmm!"

Alex tore the alligator's jaw, and a trail of blood oozed

out.

It let out a whimper before trying to escape back into the lake.

But Alex was not about to let it go so easily. He was dragged into the depths of the lake along with the reptile.

Only then did Alex release the alligator. He knew he would not be able to fend off such a large animal underwater.

When he let go, the alligator pretended to slink away instead of attacking him.

But in a flash, it swam towards the three women.

It was moving extremely quickly. By the time Alex realized what was going on, the alligator had already

swum about 7 meters away.

The crowd was almost getting to the shore.

Only Carlene, who was rather exhausted and fighting off a cramp, remained in the water. She had only made about a third of a way to safety.

Neither Kurt nor any of the other young men offered to help Carlene. They were only concerned with getting themselves to shore.

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When she realized the alligator had escaped Alex's grasp, Carlene was taken over by fear. The crippling fright turned her legs to jelly.

"Quick! Swim towards me!" Alex yelled.

His cries seemed to wake her, and she urgently replied. She tried her best to make her way towards him, but her legs would not propel her as quickly as she wanted.

The crowd watching from the shore was incredibly anxious. Carlene's pursuers were the most distressed of all, and they all wished they could rescue their damsel.

But the thought of the alligator's ferocity snuffed all the sparks of such an inclination. They stayed on the shore and yelled and gestured to her passionately. "Carlene, the alligator is right behind you! Swim quickly!"

"It's only five meters away from you! Hurry up!"

Alex was trying his best to reach Carlene.

He cut through the water like a knife through butter. One wave of his limbs in water sent him shooting forwards.

Kurt turned back to see Alex moving through the water like a shark. He stiffened as mollification erupted within him.

With just one look and he knew Alex's speed in the water was at least twice as fast as his own.

Damn it! If the competition went on, I would lose for

sure!

Please, Mr. Alligator! Do your best! Swallow him in one gulp!

Kurt screamed and pleaded inwardly.

Kurt's chest constricted painfully when he saw the alligator going near the apple of his eye.

There were very few precious women like Carlene in the whole of Nebula City. What a waste if she gets killed.

Damn it all, why are there alligators in this lake?

Just my crappy luck!

The alligator was almost behind Carlene. Its humongous mouth gaped and came crashing down.

In a flash, its teeth snapped down on Carlene's left leg.

The crowd covered their mouths in horror. Some let out aghast exclamations.

Carlene sensed something odd happening behind her. When she turned, she almost jumped out of her skin in fright. A petrified scream ripped from her throat.

She was all but sure that this was the end of her.

Suddenly, a hand clasped her shoulder and yanked her backwards forcefully.

Before she could process what was going on, she felt herself hurled forwards by a mighty force. She landed against a broad chest.

Alex had pulled her from the alligator's trap in the nick of time. The chest she had crashed against was his.

The impact sent them tumbling into the lake.

Although they looked worse for wear, they had managed to put some distance between them and the alligator.

It also gave Alex some time to think.

After coughing up several mouthfuls of water, Carlene was completely exhausted.

She felt as though she was about to faint.

But when she felt a pair of strong arms wrap around her, she was comforted by a twinge of security. Alex pressed down on her torso with his right hand. He continuously pumped Mortal Force into her body through the acupoint on her abdomen which was three fingers below her belly.

Alex's hand was rather large. When he put pressure on the acupoint on her abdomen, Carlene flushed. Her cheeks grew hot in embarrassment.

Just as she was about to scold Alex, she felt strange warm energy flowing from his palm into her body. Soon, her naked body was reinvigorated.

What...

What's going on?

She just stared at Alex, totally flabbergasted.

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The alligator swam swiftly towards them.

The creature was famished. It opened its mouth wide behind Carlene, ready to sink its teeth into her flesh.

Carlene shrieked. Alex pulled her and threw her behind, then he grabbed the alligator's jaws with bare hands.

"Go! Swim to the bank! I'll distract it!" he shouted as he struggled with the alligator.

A shiver went down her body. Never in her life had anyone risked his life to come to her rescue.

But this man who was just a stranger cared for her deeply.

He came to her rescue despite the peril.

Thinking of that, she took a good took a look at him. He was holding the alligator's jaws and the alligator's teeth had pierced deep through his palms.

She felt the same pain pierced through her heart.

"Alex..." tears started welling up in her eyes.

"Please stay safe." Her voice became muffled with tears.

She could not hold it in anymore.

But she knew crying was not going to get the situation anywhere.

She had to get to safety as soon as possible. That was the only way they could get out of this.

She took a final look at Ale before she swam fiercely towards the bank.

The creature was enraged.

In a splash, it gave a forceful swing, propelling its heavy body downwards.

It dragged Alex to the bottom of the lake. But he did not let go of the creature.

Alex was fixated on fighting this beast. He braced himself to kill it with his own hands, no matter what it would take.

He did not believe that he could not fight this alligator, for it stood no chance against his inexhaustible Mortal Force.

Seeing Alex being dragged towards the lakebed, Kurt Taylor could not help but feel a kernel of thrill budding in his heart.

Although Carlene was unhappy with the fact that he left her behind, it was still better than losing his own life.

But for Alex, this would be the end of him.

Everyone squealed when they saw Alex going down with the alligator. They were worried about his life.

Clearly, they genuinely wanted him to survive. He was courageous and they were all rooting for him.

And of course, many ladies fell for his brave act.

It could not be helped. No girl would say no to a prince charming in shining armor.

"Alex! Stay safe. Please come back alive!"

A voice came from the crowd. It was Jessica. She saw Alex sank to the bottom with the alligator. She was so worried she even forgot she was drenched.

"Jessica, you should probably call his family. There is no way he is going to survive the animal." Zachariah could not help but gloat at Alex's misfortune.

"Shut up!" Jessica howled in disbelief without taking her eyes off the lake.

Never had she hated anyone so much before.

But Zachariah—he deserved every bit of her hatred.

Zachariah's expression changed. "He is bound to die. The creature will savor his flesh and bones," he made every word slow and heard.

He scoffed as he turned and went towards Kurt.

Judging from the situation, he knew he would never stand a chance of winning her heart ever again.

"Aw, I'm afraid he won't come back alive," Kurt said in a sarcastic tone.

"Well, he brought it on himself," Zachariah agreed sinisterly.

It was apparent that those in the same group as Zachariah and Kurt were just waiting for Alex to perish.

Susanna could not stand these scoundrels anymore.

"Well well, some people died as heroes and some died cowards. None of you sissies would be alive if not for him," Susanna mocked.

"Be a man. Why insult yourself?" she continued.

Hearing Susanna's words, the crowd looked at Zachariah and his friends, their eyes filled with contempt.

It was true that everyone here was second-generation rich kids. But they had crossed the line. Therefore, they lost respect for Kurt and Zachariah.

Not everyone was as cold-blooded as them.

Zachariah and Kurt could feel the ambience changed.

Their shame and anger intensified as they caught the crowd staring, and they kept quiet at last.

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"Alex! I know you'll come back alive! You'll survive and return to us safely!"

Carlene shouted towards the lake. She was not sure if Alex could hear her. But seeing him vanished from her sight was too unnerving.

She kept telling herself that everything would be okay with Alex. But she could not control her tears. Soon, her pair of beautiful eyes were swollen and red. Time passed and there was still no sign of Alex. She finally lost it.

Why?

Why do bad things happen to good people?!

She was alive all because of Alex.

He saved her twice from the merciless creature. If not for him, she would have been dead by now.

Tears rolled down her cheeks fiercely. She was desperately clinging to the last hope that was seeping away as every second passed and lethargy set in.

Is he really dead?

No... No... He will come back alive!

She was struggling to reach the bank. She turned her head towards where she last saw Alex. She felt cold.

"Don't just stand there and watch! Do something!" Jessica shouted at everyone.

Everyone suddenly became restless, trying to avoid eye contact with Jessica.

She must be crazy. Who would jump into the lake to save Alex? No one could survive a ten-foot-long alligator!

But Jessica was fixed on getting someone to help. She put on her heels and walked towards Zechariah. Without a second thought, she knelt down before him. "Please, Zachariah, save him! Alex saved us from the creature. Please do something to get him back safely!"

Jessica knew Zachariah was her last hope.

Zachariah was not moved at all. He feigned a sympathetic look and replied, "Look, I'm equally sad about what happened to Alex, but I can't swim. Besides, it's an alligator and there is no chance I'll survive even if I go!"

Zachariah lamented the inevitable misfortune, but he

felt immense pleasure in his heart.

Jessica saw through his hypocrisy. She knew her last hope was gone.

She was desperate. "Zachariah! If you save Alex, I'll be your girlfriend! That's what you've wanted all this while isn't it? Alex's not my boyfriend, he's just my colleague!"

That was her last resort. She had to do it.

Zachariah was shaken. It never occurred to him that everything Alex and Jessica did was just a bluff.

He looked at Jessica. She was devastated, and her offer was rather tempting.

But there was really nothing he could do to save Alex.

Unless he did not mind dying.

He sneered, saying, "Jessica, you're the reason why Alex's dead! Don't even try putting the blame on me! Now that he's dead, you'll spend your whole life in regret!"

Zachariah knew he would not be able to save Alex. Since there was clearly no way Jessica could ever be his girlfriend, he blurted out whatever was on his mind.

After hearing his words, Jessica broke down and cried.

She wanted to retaliate, but there was nothing she could say.

It was true. She was the reason why Alex died.

Guilt crept in.

But even guilt could not bring him back to life.

The waters were still ominously calm. A hint of fresh blood tinted the water red.

It had been two minutes since both the alligator and Alex went down.

The calm on the surface concealed the raging battle happening underneath. Alex was still fighting the creature with the last bit of his remaining strength.

His determination of vanquishing the animal was the only thing that kept him going.

The alligator did not have the upper-hand either.

The corner of its jaw was torn. The pain must be

unfathomable seeing how the wounds were exacerbating.

If not for the alligator's think skin, Alex would have ripped its jaws apart by now.

Seeing the tear around the alligator's jaw enlarging, Alex felt more confident. He knew he could tear this creature apart.

I'll rip you to pieces! Die now!

Alex looked at the four-inch wound. The alligator was in intense pain and it was losing its strength. Alex knew it was time to give it the last blow.

He mustered the last shreds of his Mortal Force and struck the animal.

With all his strength, he tore the animal into half.

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If the onlookers beside the lake had seen this, they would be speechless and probably fall to the ground from the shocking scene.

Alex ripped the alligator apart with his bare hands!

That was crazy!

"Why is there a sudden gush of blood?"

Everyone questioned as they saw the pool of blood
spread outwards. They could not see what was happening underwater, but the sight piqued them nonetheless.

"Maybe he was bitten to death," someone from the crowd guessed.

Upon hearing this, Carlene, who finally made it to the bank, broke down in tears.

No! He's not dead!

He's a good person! He's a hero! There's no way he's dead!

On the other side, Jessica collapsed to the ground when she heard the news.

Susanna and the others who sympathized observed moments of silence.

They felt bad.

Alex died from saving them.

Meanwhile, snippets of memories of Freddie flashed before Jessica. They had been married for three years. Memories played back and unfolded before her.

You can't die! You just can't! There are still so many things I want to say to you. Please, don't die on me. Don't leave me alone.

"Alex!"

Jessica scrambled to the bank, disheveled. She saw the water turned red and could not hold back her tears. She cried her heart out as she stood by the lake. Memories kept haunting her and her tears would not stop.

"You are not allowed to die on me! Do you hear me?"

Her voice grew softer as grief, remorse, and exhaustion consumed her.

She could not understand why she felt so weak and tired. All she knew was she her heart was aching.

The most precious person in her life was taken away and all because of her.

"Who said I'm dead?"

An assuring voice pierced through the air followed by a confident laugh.

She wiped her tears and her blurry gaze wandered across the waters. She was not sure if she was imagining things. She saw a familiar face.

Slowly, Alex's blood-stained and wasted figure

emerged from the waters. In his right hand, he held the corpse of the alligator.

The ten-foot-long alligator was severed in half except for the dangling pieces that were still connected. This man survived this creature and even dragged the dead animal to the bank!

"Do you think we can make grilled fish out of this?"

His voice was faint and light, but everyone heard him clearly.

The sun bathed the valiant survivor. Everyone's gaze was on him.

They were all dumbfounded.

This man dragged the ten-foot-long alligator ashore! Their jaw dropped.

They swallowed hard as they tried to process what they saw.

This is impossible! Is he even human?

Did he really kill the alligator?

And even ripped it into half?

They recalled seeing him being dragged to the bottom by the creature. He must have split the animal into half underwater.

That was unbelievable. No one had ever done something like this before!

Everyone's eyes were on the proud survivor. They were shocked and bewildered.

This was simply impossible.

"Alex!"

Jessica felt as if she was elevated from hell to heaven. She could not believe what she was seeing.

But that was Alex and he was smiling. She struggled to her feet and ran towards Alex.

But Carlene was a step ahead.

"You're alive! Alex, I'm so glad you're alive!" Carlene dashed towards Alex as she exclaimed frantically.

Alex saved her twice. He was her hero.

"It's not my time to die yet. Hell is not ready for me," Alex said humorously. Carlene looked at him with joy in her eyes. She was stupefied but excited to see him alive.

Jessica ran up to him and stopped before the two. She took a good look at him. Happiness filled her eyes. But there was also a shade of sorrow in her eyes.

"Alex! Thanks for saving us," Susanna said as she ran over.

The others started swarming to Alex, thanking him for saving them. They looked at the dead animal in his hands, still a little disconcerted.

Everyone would have been bitten if not for Alex.



With three beautiful young ladies gathering around Alex, everyone watching got a little green-eyed.

Kurt and Zachariah had bitterness written all over their faces.

Seeing that the ladies were worried crazy, Alex suggested they start a fire to make grilled fish.

"The entire alligator could be eaten. Its organs and blood can even be used for medical purposes. Alligator meat is nutritious and it can replenish energy," explained Alex. "It is also the only animal on earth that never develops cancer. Besides, an alligator's lifespan can easily surpass that of turtles and tortoises," he continued.

It was obviously a topic he was well-versed in. "There are these special nucleic acids in their bodies. Hence, regular intake of alligator meat can bring tremendous health benefits to our blood circulation, musculoskeletal function, respiratory systems, and pulmonary systems. It can also help alleviate diseases like anemia, diabetes, cancer, cough, and asthma." Everyone was in awe. They did not know there was a walking encyclopedia among them.

"Apart from these, alligator oil is also known for its reparative and regenerative properties. Its physicochemical properties are highly identical to human fatty acids, which is why it can easily penetrate our skin and our bodies readily absorb it," Alex elucidated. He was in a world of his own.

"After alligator oil is absorbed by our skin, it will stimulate the secretion of growth factors. This will then break down old cells, improve metabolism, and enhance cell viability and proliferation. All these can make wounds heal faster." "On top of that, alligator oil can be made into medical pills." Alex had been researching on the Nine Heaven Scrolls these days, he had mastered the formulation of many medical pills especially the Pill of Recovery.

Just when everyone thought he was done expounding the benefits of alligators, Alex suddenly continued. "Oh! I almost forgot. Alligator oil can also trigger the production of immunoglobulins, which help strengthen our immune system, kill germs and viruses and decrease the risks of skin infection and inflammation. This is why it is beneficial for eczema, burns, frostbite, bites and stings, athlete's foot, scarring, and so on," said Alex, unloading everything he knew about alligators.

Alex went on to explained that its internal organs could cure diabetes; its blood was good for breast and stomach cancer; its liver could enhance vision and its bones could help to stop bleeding.

In conclusion, the entire alligator was a gem from tip to toe. It was the best ingredient when it came to formulating medical pills.

This was why he dragged the dead alligator out of the lake.

But Alex could not finish all the meat on his own. So he thought it would be nice to let everyone have a try since no one had tried it before.

"Is it edible..." Jessica was reluctant.

Carlene was also doubtful. "Yeah. It eats humans and animals. Doesn't that make its body full of toxins?" she questioned.

They knew almost nothing about alligators.

This was actually the first time they saw a real one.

They had only seen alligators on the TVs.

"Well, you just need to google it!" Alex said gleefully.

Jessica did not have her phone with her, but others did, and they started searching furiously.

One of them found something on Google and exclaimed, "Wow! It's actually true! Every body part of an alligator is beneficial in one way or another. Its meat is the best. And it said that its internal organs like the liver and intestines could be cooked with bamboo mushrooms, chicken soup, and seasonal melon. Gosh, this sounds delicious!"

"It's even nicer if grilled!" Alex added.

Everyone was amazed.

"Really?" Everyone was now eager to try some.

After hearing this, they started collecting dry woods in the surrounding area, hoping to get a taste of this exotic cuisine.

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