

## **The disappearing adults.**

### **Chapter one**

My heart's beating like the deafening beat of a drum. Running out of breath by the second. Sweat pouring down my forehead. Why, I hear you ask? Well let me take you back to a couple of hours ago...

*beep! beep! beep! yaaawwn*

Wednesday morning, 6:30, to be exact. Just another day at school... Or is it? Everything was normal: I barely managed to get up, brushed my teeth with exhausted eyes and went downstairs. Till I made it to the kitchen, then everything changed.

### **Chapter 2: The first victim**

Normally in the kitchen at this time is my mum reading a long and, in my opinion, boring newspaper while drinking a delightful and very hot tea. But today she was nowhere to be seen. At first I thought she was in the garden or somewhere around the house. A couple of minutes slipped away. I called out for her and got no answer. I started to worry. Suddenly a million questions flooded my mind like a tsunami.

*Where is she? Is she ok? Did someone take her? And now, what should I do?*

I decided to rush around my house double checking everywhere to see if maybe, just maybe she didn't hear me. I ran upstairs and looked in the garden, snooped around in her bedroom, and practically checked everywhere! She was never in sight. Okay, now I was panicking!

### **Chapter 3: The police.**

I called dad but, just like mum, no answer. I rapidly called the police since I thought it was a serious police type matter and they came immediately. After a few minutes they were at my door. I hesitated at first and cautiously slipped my sweating hand over the cold doorknob, letting a friendly but at the same time serious looking police officer come in. I told them (there were a couple more fellow police officers) that I couldn't find anyone at all.

"It's like they've...DISAPPEARED!"

"Well this is rather odd. I've just received several more distress calls from people all around the island of Raubra. But what's truly curious is that they all state the same case as you, and they're all from children. It seems all adults have gone missing!" she announced reflectively whilst the rest of officers scattered around my house like a couple of highly concentrated ants investigating every single minor detail. "Sorry, I didn't properly introduce myself, I'm Rachel, Rachel Blue, and whilst we're here I

suggest you go to school and stay calm. Your parents, everyone else's and the other missing adults, are around here somewhere, so don't worry." she carried on with a gentle smile.

#### **Chapter 4: The deserted streets of the island of Raubra.**

I silently walked across the streets not saying a word. Mainly because there's normally our neighbour, watering his garden. Or the postman on his bike, quickly cycling away from our neighbour's ferocious dog. Sometimes maybe even Tom, in his ice cream truck, selling delicious ice creams to all the children on the island, putting a smile on their faces. But today all I could see were a couple of dirty stray cats strolling across the abandoned roads and pavements, just looking at me go by. When I finally reached my school, which looked just as lonely as the streets, I stepped inside and it was unusually quiet, too quiet. Lucy, my best friend, was just standing there, looking bored, worried and sad. She immediately came running towards me.

#### **Chapter 5: Going down one by one.**

"The teachers have all gone, and so have everyone's parents! We called the police but they won't pick up!" she hysterically told me.

"Mine too! But just a second ago the police were at my door. They've also disappeared!" I explained, feeling confused.

"What do we do?" she asked me.

"Quick, come with me. Let's see if there's still an adult left. But we have to be fast, for if there really is someone left, they'll soon be a blur."

And that's where we're at. I'm really tired from running, but we can't stop.

#### **Chapter 6: Hopeless**

The situation looks quite hopeless. We've looked absolutely everywhere and we've checked in every single house on the island of Raubra.

"It's no use." Lucy said out of breath. It looked like she was about to cry. "NOW what do we do?!"

I tried to think of a solution but nothing popped into my head.

"I-I-I don't know" I stammered.

Will these two very clever kids put an end to this? What will they do next?

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