



WAVES

LOGLINE

AGAINST THE WISHES OF HER FATHER, A
YOUNG PENGUIN SETS OUT TO BECOME THE
FIRST FEMALE PENGUIN TO EVER WIN HER
ISLAND'S MASSIVE SURFING COMPETITION.



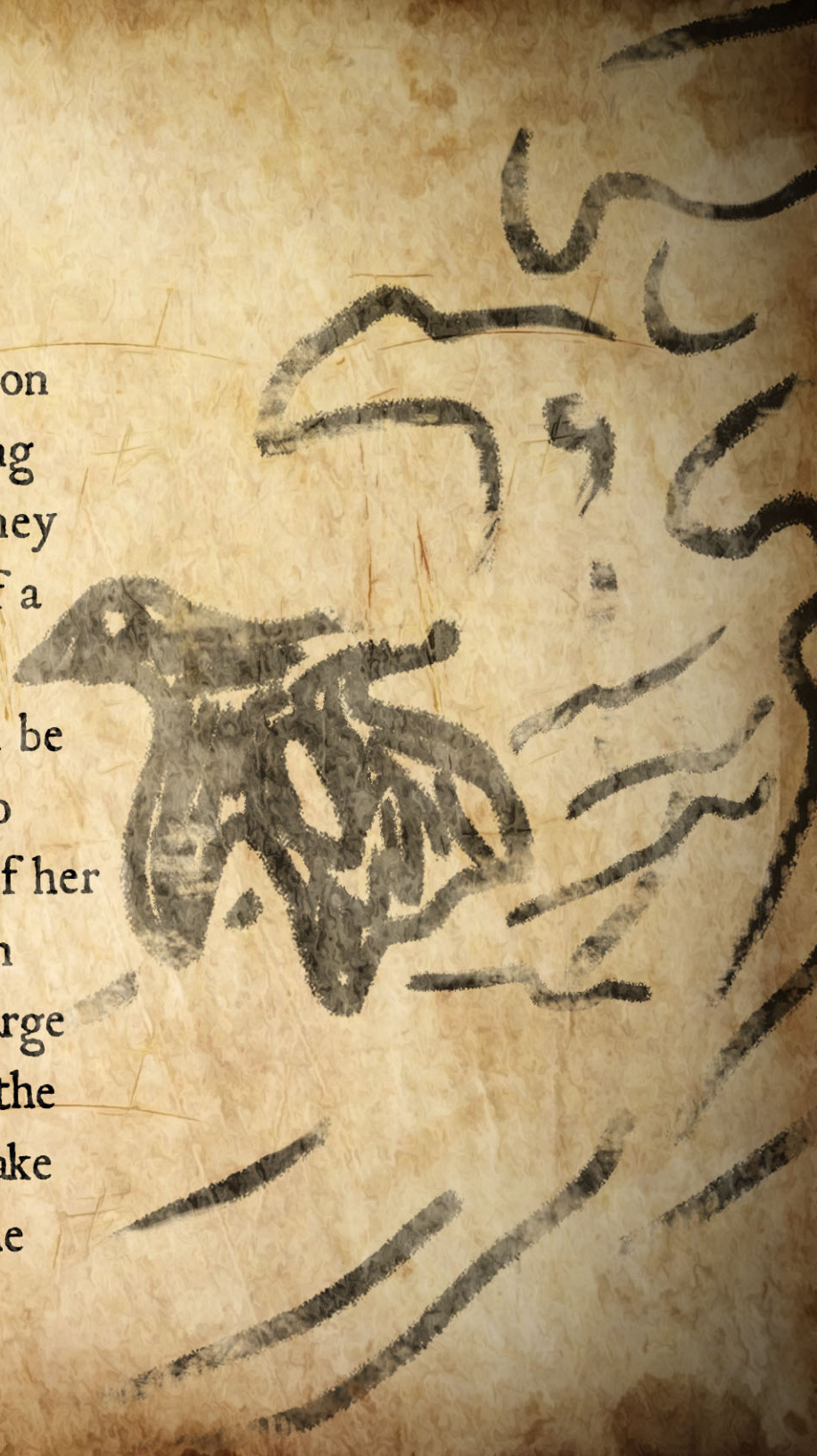
A vibrant, cartoon-style illustration of a tropical beach. In the foreground, a wooden signpost is planted in the sand. The signpost has two horizontal wooden planks. The top plank is labeled 'THEME' in large, white, block letters. The bottom plank contains a quote in white, block letters. The background features a lush green stone wall on the left, several palm trees with green fronds, and a clear blue sky with white clouds. The ocean is a bright turquoise color with white foam from waves breaking on the shore.

THEME

OUR DESTINY IS FORMED FROM INSIDE
OF US, NOT FROM THE OPINIONS OF
THOSE AROUND US.

TONE

Waves has a more laid-back feeling in opposition to animated films in which the leads are fighting for kingdoms and homes. Though Lena's journey is extremely important to her, the heaviness of a kingdom doesn't rest on her shoulders. The themes parallel two films that audiences should be more than aware of. Lena's journey to want to accomplish her own goals in life and not that of her family, can be most closely related to Miguel in *Coco*. Yet, women empowerment is a very large part of this story. She is steadfast in breaking the unwritten rules that girls are not allowed to take part in the competition. This should invoke the feelings we had when we watched *Mulan*.





THE WORLD





CHARACTERS



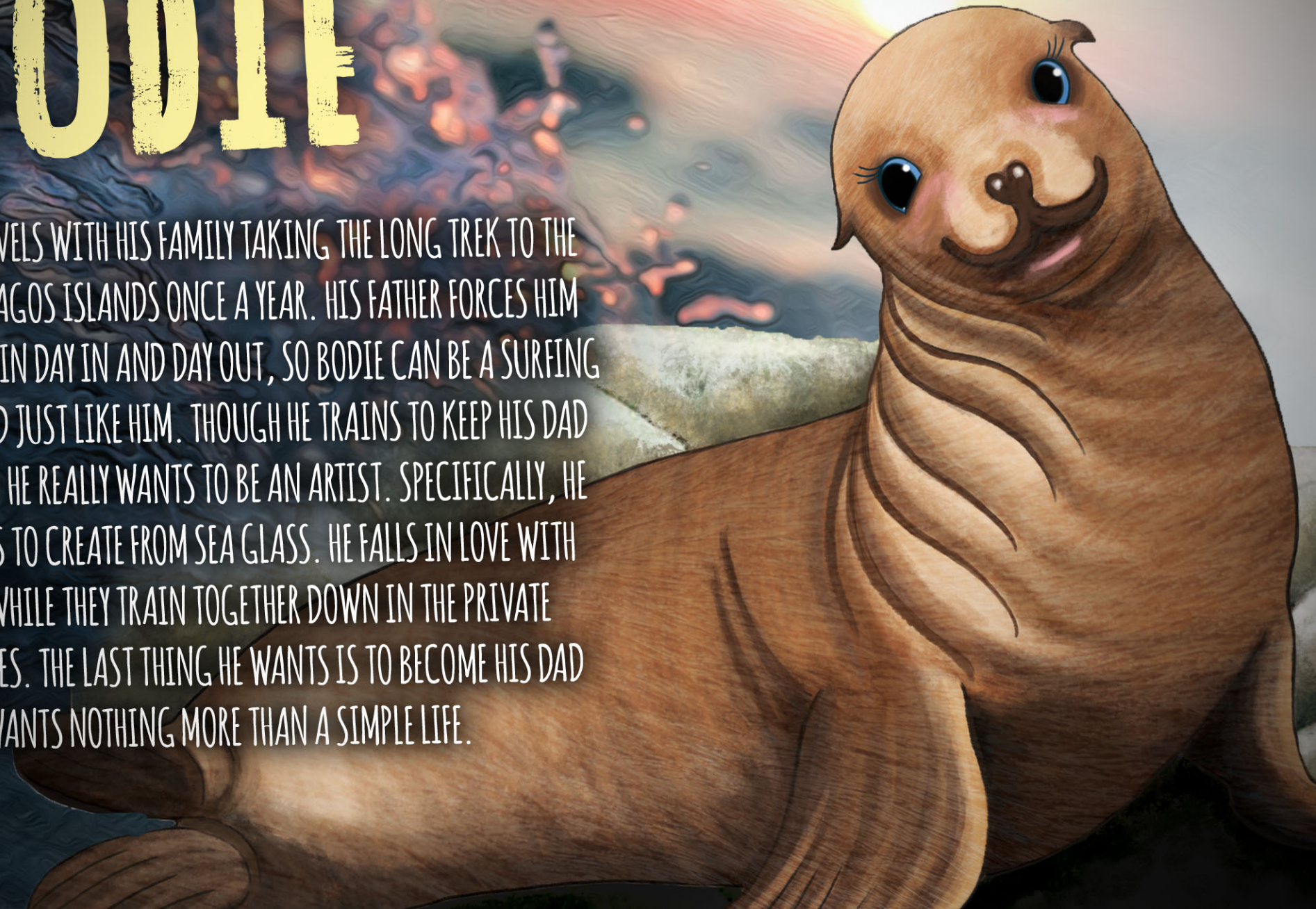
LENA

THE PROTAGONIST OF THE FILM LENA HAS LONG BURIED HER BURNING DESIRE TO COMPETE ON HER ISLAND'S WORLD FAMOUS SURFING TOURNAMENT. A DREAM PASSED DOWN FROM HER FREE SPIRITED AUNT. YET, THERE HAS BEEN AN UNWRITTEN RULE THAT GIRLS DO NOT COMPETE, AND MORE SUPREMELY HER FATHER FORBIDS HER FROM EVEN ENTERING THE WATER. SHE COMBATS THE LATTER BY SECRETLY TRAINING BEFORE OR AFTER WORK. THE PENGUINS ARE THE WORKING-CLASS ANIMAL OF THE ISLAND, WHILE MOST OTHER ANIMALS WHO TRAVEL COME FROM AN ABUNDANCE OF WEALTH. IT ALMOST SEEMS AS IF LENA'S LIFE WAS PREORDAINED FOR HER. BE A GOOD DAUGHTER, WORK, AND LIVE A SIMPLE LIFE. ALL THAT SAID, HER FEARLESSNESS AND HUNGER TO BE GREAT PUSHES HER TO BREAK THAT GLASS CEILING, REGARDLESS OF THE CONSEQUENCES.



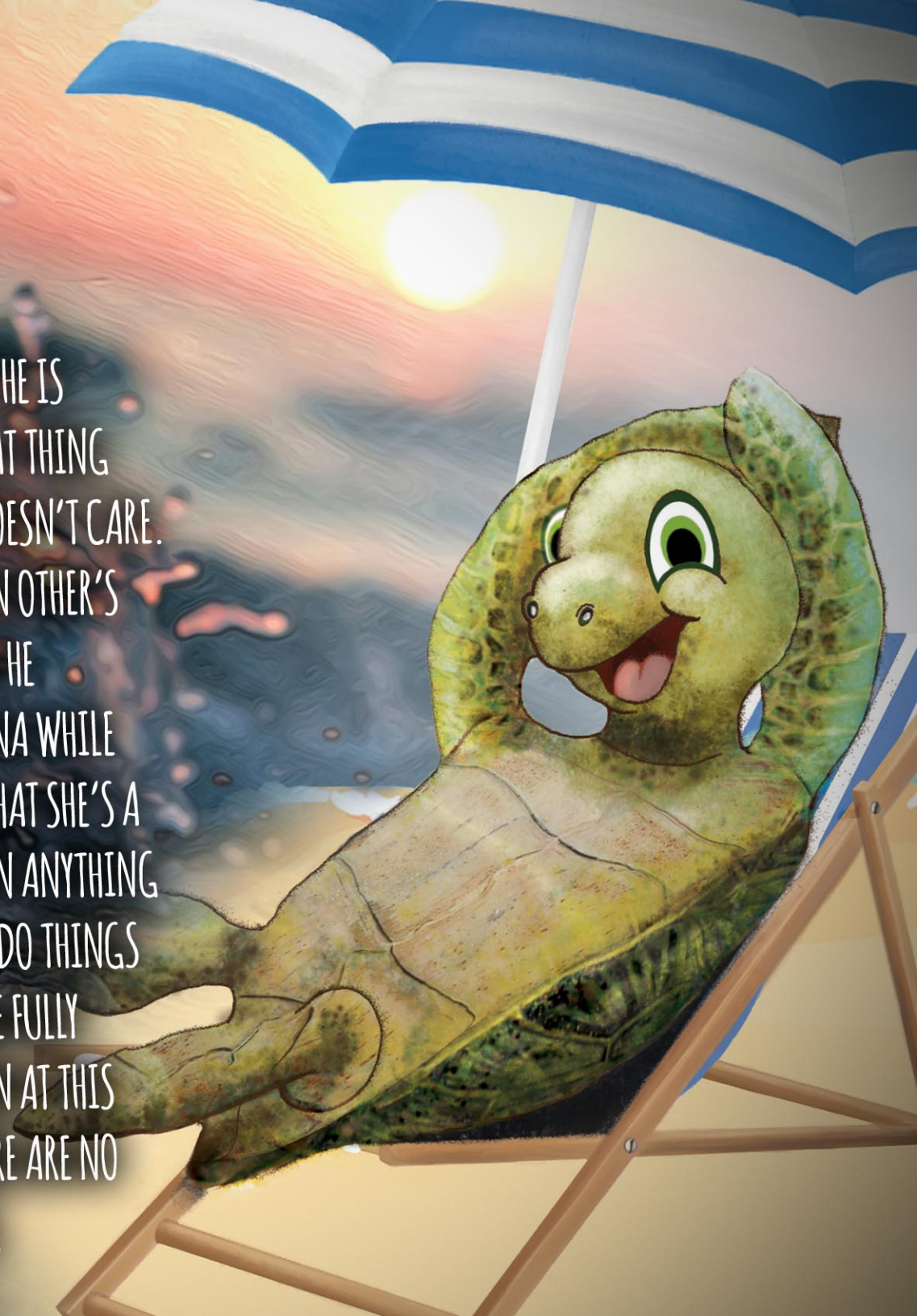
BODIE

HE TRAVELS WITH HIS FAMILY TAKING THE LONG TREK TO THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS ONCE A YEAR. HIS FATHER FORCES HIM TO TRAIN DAY IN AND DAY OUT, SO BODIE CAN BE A SURFING LEGEND JUST LIKE HIM. THOUGH HE TRAINS TO KEEP HIS DAD HAPPY, HE REALLY WANTS TO BE AN ARTIST. SPECIFICALLY, HE WANTS TO CREATE FROM SEA GLASS. HE FALLS IN LOVE WITH LENA WHILE THEY TRAIN TOGETHER DOWN IN THE PRIVATE BEACHES. THE LAST THING HE WANTS IS TO BECOME HIS DAD AND WANTS NOTHING MORE THAN A SIMPLE LIFE.



SUNNY

SUNNY ABSOLUTELY LOVES BODY SURFING, PROBLEM IS HE IS PROBABLY THE WORST SURFER ON THE ISLAND. THE GREAT THING ABOUT HIM IS HE KNOWS HE ISN'T THAT GOOD, BUT DOESN'T CARE. HE'S ALL ABOUT GOOD VIBES AND PUTTING A SMILE ON OTHER'S FACES. BEING ON THE WATER IS HEAVEN FOR HIM, AND HE WOULDN'T TRADE IT FOR THE WORLD. HE BEFRIENDS LENA WHILE SHE'S TRAINING ON THE SECLUDED BEACH. THE FACT THAT SHE'S A GIRL NEVER EVEN CROSSES SUNNY'S MIND. MORE THAN ANYTHING HE'S IMPRESSED WITH HER SKILLS, AND THAT SHE CAN DO THINGS IN BODY SURFING THAT HE COULD NEVER DREAM OF. HE FULLY SUPPORTS HER IN HER QUEST TO BECOME THE CHAMPION AT THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION. HE'S A FIRM BELIEVER THAT THERE ARE NO ACCIDENTS, AND TO GO WHERE THE WIND TAKES YOU.



DON JUANA DEL IGUANA

DON JUANA IS THE CURRENT BODY SURFING CHAMPION FOR 5 YEARS RUNNING. HE TAKES A REAL SENSE OF PRIDE IN BEING THE FIRST MARINE IGUANA CHAMPION IN THE COMPETITION'S STORIED HISTORY. THINK A VERY SMOOTH-TALKING LATIN LOVER. DON JUANA LOVES TALKING ABOUT HOW MARINE IGUANAS ARE THE ONLY LIZARDS THAT CAN HOLD THEIR BREATH UNDERNEATH WATER. THE COLORFUL CRABS THAT PICK THE TICKS OFF HIS BACK ARE HIS GROUPIES. ANYTHING HE WANTS DONE THE CRABS WILL DO FOR HIM, EVEN IF IT MEANS CHEATING AT THE COMPETITION TO STOP LENA FROM TAKING THE THRONE.



FRANCO

LENA'S FATHER AND A TRADITIONALIST. HE BELIEVES HIS DAUGHTER SHOULD OBEY HIM, WORK, AND HELP HER MOTHER AROUND THE HOUSE. HE'S MADE HIS LIFE WORKING IN PHYSICAL LABOR. THOUGH HE CAN BE STRICT, HE LOVES HIS FAMILY VERY MUCH AND THERE ISN'T ANYTHING HE WOULDN'T DO FOR THEM. HE DOESN'T WANT HIS DAUGHTER TO BODY SURF BECAUSE HIS SISTER USED TO DO IT. THEY WERE ALL GATHERED AROUND THE BEACH WATCHING HER RIP THE WAVES UP, WHEN SHE WAS TAKEN OUT TO THE DEEP SEA FROM AN UNDERCURRENT. SHE WAS NEVER HEARD FROM AGAIN, SO IT MAKES IT SOMEWHAT UNDERSTANDABLE THAT HE WANTS TO KEEP HIS DAUGHTER AWAY FROM THE SPORT.

KOBIE AKA KING KOBIE

KOBIE WAS THE GREATEST BODY SURFER EVER KNOWN TO THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. EVERY YEAR WHEN HIS FAMILY TRAVELS TO THE GALAPAGOS FOR THE ANNUAL COMPETITION, HE'S STILL TREATED LIKE ROYALTY. HE HAS BEEN GIFTED HIS OWN SECLUDED PROPERTY OVERLOOKING THE OCEAN AND TAKES FULL ADVANTAGE OF ALL THE PERKS THAT COME WITH BEING THE ISLAND'S MOST NOTORIOUS ATHLETE. HE'S DEFINITELY A BIT ARROGANT AND HAS A SENSE OF SUPERIORITY. HE BELIEVES THE SEALS ARE THE GREATEST CREATURES TO EVER GRACE THE WATERS OF THE GALAPAGOS AND WANTS HIS SON BODIE TO FOLLOW IN HIS TRACKS. KOBIE COMES ACROSS AS ONE OF THOSE MIDDLE-AGED MEN THAT LOVES TO TALK ABOUT WHAT A GREAT FOOTBALL PLAYER HE WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL.

JAVA

HE'S EASILY THE MOST PROGRESSIVE OF THE 3 WISEMEN. MORE THAN ANYTHING HE LOVES THE BODY SURFING COMPETITION. WHEN HE GETS WORD ABOUT THE LENA'S TALENT HE WATCHES HER WITHOUT HER KNOWING, AND IS EXTREMELY IMPRESSED. HE HAS GROWN TIRED OF DON JUANA AND HIS ANTICS. HE LIKES HIS CHAMPIONS HUMBLE AND QUIET, LIKE HE IS. HE'S THE ONE WHO ULTIMATELY CONVINCES THE HAWK TO VOTE FOR LENA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPETITION.

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