HALLOWEEN IN SUNNYLAND

Chapter 1 by the Croatian school - published in our magazine
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It was Halloween and Elfville was filled with jack-o'-lanterns and such. As the sun was setting, everyone was going trick-or-treating in their spookiest costume. Eramus was dressed up as a skeleton and his friends were dressed up in their costumes, too. The elves were very happy because they got a lot of candy, but when they came home, they saw that all of their valuables were stolen. The next day, Eramus found out that everyone's valuables were stolen last night. He decided to find the thieves and get back all of the jewelry that the elves owned, and Santa gave him permission. Eramus started the search by checking out the naughty elves in Elfville and found out that a group of three elves called The Toads have gone to a town in the northest part of Sunnyland with a lot of bags filled with shiny objects. Eramus thought that that was very suspicious and decided that he and a couple of other elves go and investigate the situation. They set off in the morning, hoping that they would come back with the possessions. It was a hard journey, but after two days they made it to the small harbor town Eramus was told about. There they found out that three elves have rented a boat trip to a faraway land, and they are scheduled to leave at 19:00. Eramus looked at his watch. It was already

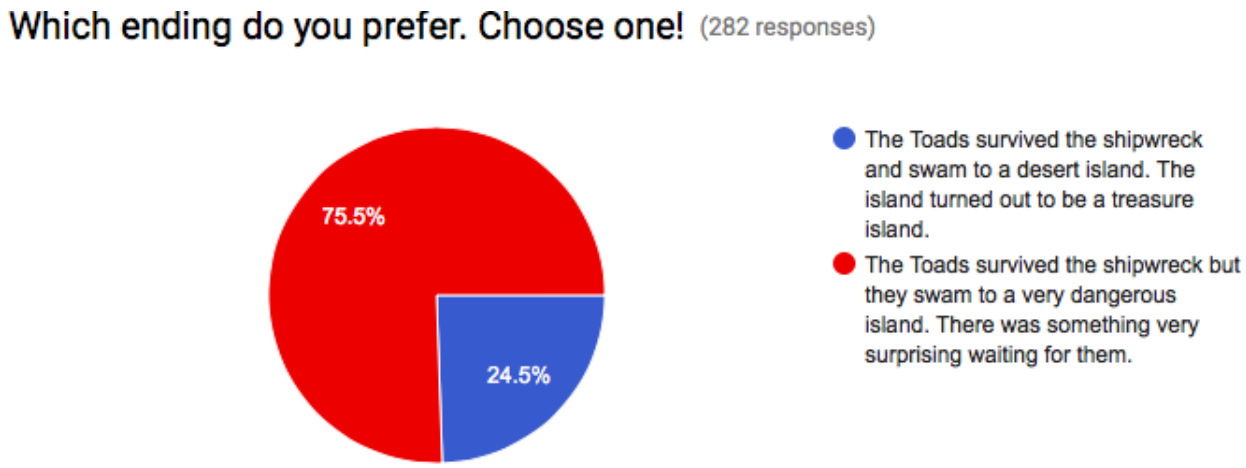
18:30! The elves rushed to the harbour and saw The Toads loading bags filled with gold and jewels on the boat. Eramus and his friends snuck up behind them and tied them up so that they can't escape. They took the jewelry bags and before they left, they asked the now infamous Toads why they did all of this. „We're sick of wrapping presents all year round! “,they replied. „We haven't had a day off in months so we thought that if we got rich, we could quit our job and live good for the rest of our lives!“ Eramus nodded and told the other elves that it's time to get back to Elfville.
When they came back home, they were greeted with open arms. All of the elves got their belongings back and they were very happy.

The elves wanted to punish The Toads, but Eramus told everyone why they did all of this. The other elves felt bad for The Toads and they forgave them. Santa gave The Toads a month off of work, making them very happy.

Chapter 2 by the Finnish team

The Toads decided to go on a holiday somewhere very far away. So, they went to the airport and flew to Elfvegas. As they sat on the airplane, there was a very bad guy who didn’t like elves. He sat behind the Toads with his evil friends. When they landed in Elfvegas, the evil guys tried to steal the Toads stuff.The Toads had already found out that the guys were dangerous, but the Toads didn’t know that the evil guys were following them. At the hotel they went to bed and the next day they found out that these evil guys were in the same hotel. So, it was a very bad holiday: the evil guys were in the same hotel, the food was bad, the ocean was cold and the weather was bad too. The Toads wanted to leave Elfvegas. They decided to leave Elfvegas by airplane but their flight was late and a terrible

thunderstorm hit Elfvegas. They thought that they could steal a boat and try to get back to Elfville. So they stole a boat but after a day's journey, they were shipwrecked.



Chapter 3 by the Turkish school

Toads were stuck there for nine days because they couldn't get a ship or airplane to come and rescue them. They caught fish and crabs to eat, because they did not have much food left. They created a house from palm tree leaves. On the rainy days, they went into a cave and slept near the bats. Luckily, Toads found an extraordinary treasure chest. They opened it and saw ten barrels of gold.

Meanwhile in Sunnyland, Eramus and elves worried about Toads, because they were absent for a few days. They decided to make a team. This team was going to look for Toads and decided to take them back. Toads survived by their wits and they are dismayed to discover the island is slowly sinking.

1) Will they be rescued before the island totally sinks into the ocean?

2) Will they use barrels like a boat and survive to find a new island?

Chapter 4 by the Czech ELF Club

The Toads were really excited to have found so much gold which they would like to take home. Unfortunately, the island was still slowly sinking and they were not able to take all of it. Since they had no boat, the only way to escape was to use the barrels of gold. However, the barrels had to be empty to float on the water.



Therefore, the Toads only kept a few pieces of gold such us earrings, pendants or bracelets. They were still hoping to get rich but this wasn´t the best way how to achieve it. If they kept all the gold the boat wouldn´t be able to float and it would sink. They built up a provisory boat of the barrels and trees, packed some fruit, coconuts with coconut water and plants as food. Then they set off on a journey. The boating was very tiring. The boat was small and it was hard to handle it.



The Toads felt it was impossible to get home. There was only the sea and the sky in all ways. After a few days on the sea, they had almost nothing to drink. And because the sun was shining, everyone had hallucinations. Suddenly, they glimpsed something in the distance. When they got closer, they saw and island!

1) The Toads will land on the island and after a few days they will meet wild tribesmen who live there.
2) Really soon, they will find out that there is an active volcano that is going to errupt.

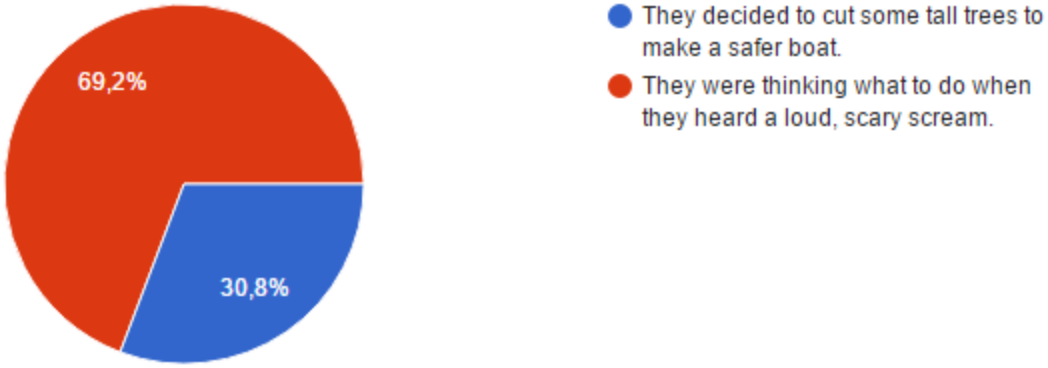
Chapter 5 by the Greek team

As they were sailing, they saw another island. They started to sail faster and after a little time, they reached the island. It was quite big, with lots of trees and bushes. They ran in the middle of the island to sleep and eat.

They were sleeping, when one of the Toads felt a little shake. He got up and he saw a volcano ready to erupt. He woke up his friends. They were in panic and their friend calmed them down. They decided to run to the opposite side of the volcano. As they were running, they heard a loud sound.

They started to run faster and they found a big cave that they could use as a shelter. They went in the cave immediately. They were afraid. Some minutes later, the volcano got finally inactive. The Toads found a small well near the cave. Behind the well there were trees with lots of fruit.

While they were walking to the well, they felt something tough under their feet. They were digging for some minutes and they found gold! <<But how can we move this gold? It's too much so the barrels will sink! >>



Chapter 6 by the Polish team… :-)