

My name is Iris. I'm twelve years old. I'm having the best summer of my life because my parents took me to the Amazon forest with my little brother, Jack.

"We're going to camp in Amazon for a week and it's going to be so great", I told Jack.



"Yes, we can pick berries and play with cute animals", Jack replied happily.

We got packed and left the house. Our parents drove the car and after two hours, we finally reached our camping spot. Jack was a little disappointed when he learned that there is no internet but otherwise he was happy.

At about 6 pm, our dad told us to collect some wood for the fire. I replied, "Sure dad! It won't take long." Then Jack and I ran to collect some wood when the trees got thicker.

Jack said, "Sis, what's that animal?"

I looked where he was pointing, and to my surprise, I saw a gleaming silver lynx. "It seems to be made out of gas," I told Jack. We were very curious so we decided to follow the lynx. It led us to a tree and vaporized into nothing.

"I think the tree's glowing," I told Jack.

But he simply shook his head and said, "It looks normal to me."

"Look at that branch, it's literally glowing silver!"

To my surprise, he said, "It's not glowing. **You're pulling my leg.**"

(to try to persuade someone to believe something that is not true, as a joke)

My curiosity **overpowered** my fear, and I touched the tree. A silver door appeared! **Mesmerized by its magic**, I touched the lock and it pulled me inside. The last thing I saw was Jack screaming my name, then my vision turned black.

When I woke up I was on a bed. A girl was sitting on my bedside doing some magic on my wounds



while a baby deer was sleeping **peacefully** on her lap.

She asked, "Are you feeling any better?"

I replied, "Yes, thank you very much, but who are you?"

She smiled warmly and said, "My name is Artemis, goddess of the moon and the wild."

I was so shocked, but I **continued**, "What was that silver door? And why did Jack not see it?"

Artemis **smiled warmly** and said, "Boys are not allowed on my island."

I decided it was best to introduce myself, "Hi, I'm Iris."

Artemis smiled and said, "Your name is like my best friend the rainbow goddess, Iris" "Would you like a tour, Iris?" she added.

I replied "Yes, thank you so much, but when can I return to my world?"

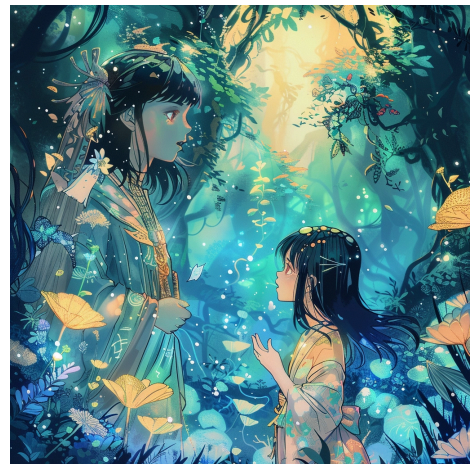
She smiled and said, "You can either return to your world or stay with me immortal, on this island. It is very rare for a girl to come across this island Iris, but first let me take you on a tour."

Artemis's island was breathtakingly beautiful, most of the island are forests but there are some marble temples. She introduced me to some Nymphs, Centaurs (half human half horse), Satyrs (half goat half human) and storm spirits.

Artemis explained, "On this island there are both kind animals and dangerous monsters from the Underworld, so you will need a weapon." She took me to a shelf and gave me a bow and some arrows. The bow fitted me perfectly.

"Thank you, goddess Artemis. Your island is really amazing."

Suddenly, there was a roar in the forest, then a chimera attacked me. Artemis shouted, "Shoot it! It's dangerous!" I jumped on the chimera's back and aimed an arrow at its neck. It roared angrily and tried to scratch my neck. I quickly **shot** my arrow, and with my luck, it vaporised into nothing.



Artemis complimented me on shooting the chimera and said sternly, "Iris, that's one of the monsters that had caused a lot of damage on my island. Since you're pretty good, will you accept to be a hunter and help me get rid of monsters?"

I happily replied, "Yes, I will help you with the monsters and I won't let you down."
Artemis smiled.

That evening, I helped her prepare dinner and we ate together as friends. Artemis was a nice goddess and I really enjoyed talking with her. Then suddenly, I remembered that Jack was out there in the forest, alone. I begged Artemis to keep him safe.

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Meanwhile

Jack was trying to find his way out of the forest.

But he seems to be getting nowhere. But then he saw a monster.

Just then he saw someone standing in front of him but he looked a little bit closer.

It was just a statue but just then a door but Jack didn't see it because he was a boy.

But Iris could now say to Artemis, "Do you want to stay or go to your world?"

When Iris said I want to go to my world.

She said okay then she went into the portal.

And they lived happily ever after.

The end

An article: The perfect holiday

You have seen this announcement in an international magazine for teenagers:

We want to know *what you think the perfect holiday would be.*

Where would you go? Who would you go with? What would you do?

The perfect holiday

I want to fly to Bangkok with my mom, dad, my cousin, and my cousin's mom and dad. When I am there, I will drink and eat something then I will go home with my cousin.

My family like to talk while we drive the car we will stop at seven eleven before going home and play with some toys and take a bath together for 3 days will be really fun. When we wake up we will play together

And eat breakfast together and watch cartoons together and do

Everything together and when I come home only with my mom, dad and my cousin because they have to do work.

The End