

Deepening Understanding

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Boom!

The colossal wave hit the poor little puffin, pushing him around the deep Atlantic Ocean. Perry Puffin had not expected the weather to change this quickly when he had set off on his adventures just two days before.

Waves bashed, waves crashed and fell over his brightly coloured head.

‘Oh no,’ he gulped. ‘What am I going to do?’

Paddling, flapping, kicking and drifting he pushed on not really knowing which direction to go in anymore. The evening was starting to grow darker and darker. A short time later, there was very little light left at all and Perry was growing scared and tired.

Suddenly, he saw something in the distance so he excitedly paddled and paddled towards it. It was a bright light bobbing up and down in the waves.



Closer and closer Perry got until he could see it was a large ship. Feeling tired, he flew slowly onto the boat deck. He was by now completely exhausted so he closed his eyes and lay there breathing deeply.

'Oh you poor thing,' a kind voice said. Then, there were lots of voices all talking to him. He felt someone dry him off, food was put in front of his beak and water was put in a little bowl by his side. He slept and slept and slept until he felt much stronger again.

Over the next few months, Perry sailed to places he never thought he'd see. He bravely visited every continent. He flew over the Sydney Harbour Bridge in Australia. He bathed in the warm Indian Ocean as he sailed towards Asia. He flew high above the Statue of Liberty in New York as he visited North America and pecked at spicy stew in South America. Many months later, he ended up back where he started in Europe.

'Home at last,' he said, excited to tell his friends on the Farne Islands all about his amazing adventures but they didn't believe one tiny puffin could've done all the things he said he'd done.

'Just you wait until you hear my story about Antarctica!' he told them one frosty morning. 'Now that's a story you'll never believe...'

Sometimes your adventures might not go to plan but sometimes they end up being better than you ever thought they could be.

