

The Survivors

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Static, Static, Static! It was a bright sunny morning in San Diego, California. Mrs. Ritchie was listening to the Boardwalk News. A trivia challenge came across the air and the first person to answer correctly wins a 21 day cruise to Papua, New Guinea. Five minutes later, 2 callers come across the line, it's Mrs. Ritchie and Mrs. Rietgraf, they both answer the question at the exact same time. Surprisingly, they got two tickets instead of one. They both got a ticket for the cruise.

Three days later, its vacation day, and Mrs. Ritchie is so pumped up about this trip. She is bringing \$2500 for souvenirs and for the hotel she is staying at. She walked for 45 minutes in order to get to the shipyard. Then, when she gets there, she sees Mrs. Rietgraf. When they board the ship the captain says "It will take us 9 days to reach our destination." Then they set sail. About 4 days into their trip they hear some weird noises from the boiler room. The engine was overheating, then KABOOM! The front of the ship's deck was blazing with flames. Mrs. Ritchie and Mrs. Rietgraf freak out. Next, they dash out of their rooms. They run down the hallway they see that almost a quarter of the cruise ship is up in flames. They jump into the ocean, and swim an exhaustingly 3 miles battling hammerhead sharks and lionfish infested waters. Finally, they reach a deserted island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. When they arrive, they slept for 10 hours on the warm, sandy beach.

When they awoke, they are surprised on where they had woke. Mrs. Ritchie whispers "Were in paradise." They go exploring through the island. Next, they find a little lagoon on the west side of the island. They built a shelter. They spent 3 weeks eating bananas and coconuts. Then a storm hits. It lasts for 3 whole days. It floods some of the island. They have to move to higher ground. They climb to the top of Mt. Pitusami. They traveled for days trying to get to the

peak of Mt. Pitusami. They hiked for 30 miles to get to the mountain. They passed snake and jaguar infested jungles and crocodile and leech infested waters. They finally make it to the top of the mountain. There they found another camp and had a working radio. Mrs. Ritchie had taught how to tune in radios to places. They radioed in to the US Air Force. The Air Force had sent a rescue helicopter to get them. They are relieved to get on the helicopter and to have some fresh water and food.

Next, when they get back home their families are so relieved to hear that they are back home safe. Mrs. Ritchie is back teaching Language class at San Diego University and Mrs. Rietgraf is back teaching reading at San Diego Elementary School.

After, Mrs. Ritchie quit her job being a teacher because after she got back, she thought that it was boring. After she quit her job, she became a primitive survival skills instructor for the Naval base in San Diego.

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