

# Last Night I Swam With A Mermaid

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Klara, Edie & Charlotte,  
Thank you for inspiring us daily.  
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Last night I swam with a mermaid.





Can you believe?

She took my hand,  
as a full moon lit up the sea,  
this magical eve.

What an adventure we had  
the mermaid and me.

We laughed,  
we explored,  
we played in the sea.

So many secrets she wanted to share.  
The first was how important it is that I be aware.



“Before we go deeper out to sea  
I’ll tell you the mermaid mantra,  
repeat after me.

Open your eyes and heart and mind.

See and feel the magic you will find.

Whatever you need, it’s all inside.”





Then she dove into the sea.  
waving her wand...

“follow me...”





I saw stingrays...



and turtles...



and dolphins... OH MY!



Smiling sharks...

and iguanas that could swim!

OH ME!

OH MY!



The mermaid explained, how surprised one might be;  
by the miracles you will uncover in the sea.

when respecting,  
and protecting,  
not expecting anything.





In whatever situation you may be.  
On land, just as in the sea.

If you take a moment  
and stop... look... and listen.

You will understand  
why mermaids seem to glisten.

When you pause for that moment, before you act, say or do.  
You will see the magic all around you.



“The wonder and the secrets of the sea  
are universal to both you and me!

We all connect.

This is why -  
we must respect,  
protect,  
and not expect.”

It’s up to us to take care of our world!”

She exclaimed,  
with a flip of her tail and a super fantastic twirl.



“Come on my friend... We must be on our way...  
So much to see, before this night becomes day!





“Look over there - it’s Edgar Eel.”

I let out a bubbly SQUEEL!

The mermaid smiled, “You have nothing to fear.  
Things are not always as they appear.”

“Here we go! Hold on tight!  
We are headed towards that glowing light.”

It was so dark my vision was impaired.  
At first, I must admit I was a bit scared.

Did that eel creature follow behind?

Then I remembered what the mermaid told me I would find  
if I stopped, looked and listened.

I could not believe my eyes...  
all of a sudden  
it seemed I had a mermaid tail that glistened.

This was the “magic” the mermaid had explained.  
My excitement could not be contained.



We swam deeper and deeper until we arrived at a buried treasure.  
It was amazing, too much gold for me to measure.

I tried to count inside my head.  
And then the Mermaid said,

“This gold is merely a symbol, you see.  
The real treasure is the ocean, it’s you and me!”



The mermaid and me had such a blast.  
So much fun, the time went too fast.  
I wanted this night to last and last.

But before we knew it, we saw the sun begin to rise.  
The time had come for our goodbyes.

The mermaid told me I would see her soon  
“I will be waiting for you at the next full moon.



Remember it's up to me and it's up to you  
to believe in ourselves and all we can do.

Remember when you dream big and believe.  
Whatever you desire, you will achieve.”



the end...for now...





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