



Emma

Radinka is bored at the beach until she makes a new friend named Emma. What fun activities can they do at the beach?



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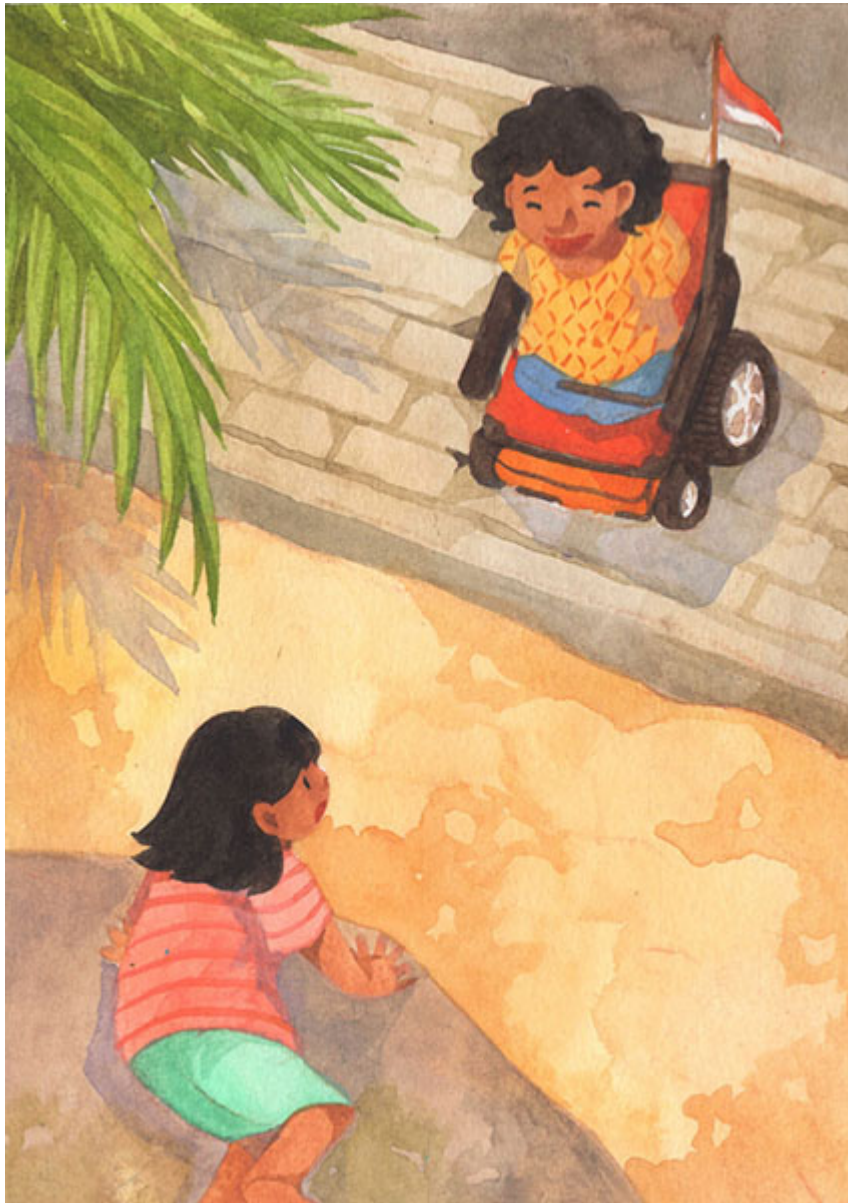
Radinka loves spending her vacation on the beach, but her parents are busy working and she is left alone.



"I am so bored!" Radinka says.



"Hi Radinka!" someone calls.



Radinka looks up and sees a girl. "Hello!" she replies.



The girl says her name is Emma. Radinka asks how Emma knows her name.



Emma says their dads are friends. "Do you want to play a game?"
Emma asks.
Radinka wonders what they can play together.



"Let's make a sand castle!" Emma suggests. That sounds nice. But what kind of sand castle will Emma build?



Emma has a lot of sand tools.



Wow! Emma is good at working with the sand.



Together, Radinka and Emma build beautiful sand castles.



Emma suggests that they go swimming. "I love swimming, but how we can swim together?" Radinka asks.



"Oh, I swim a lot with my brother, Depati," Emma says. "Depati will swim with us."



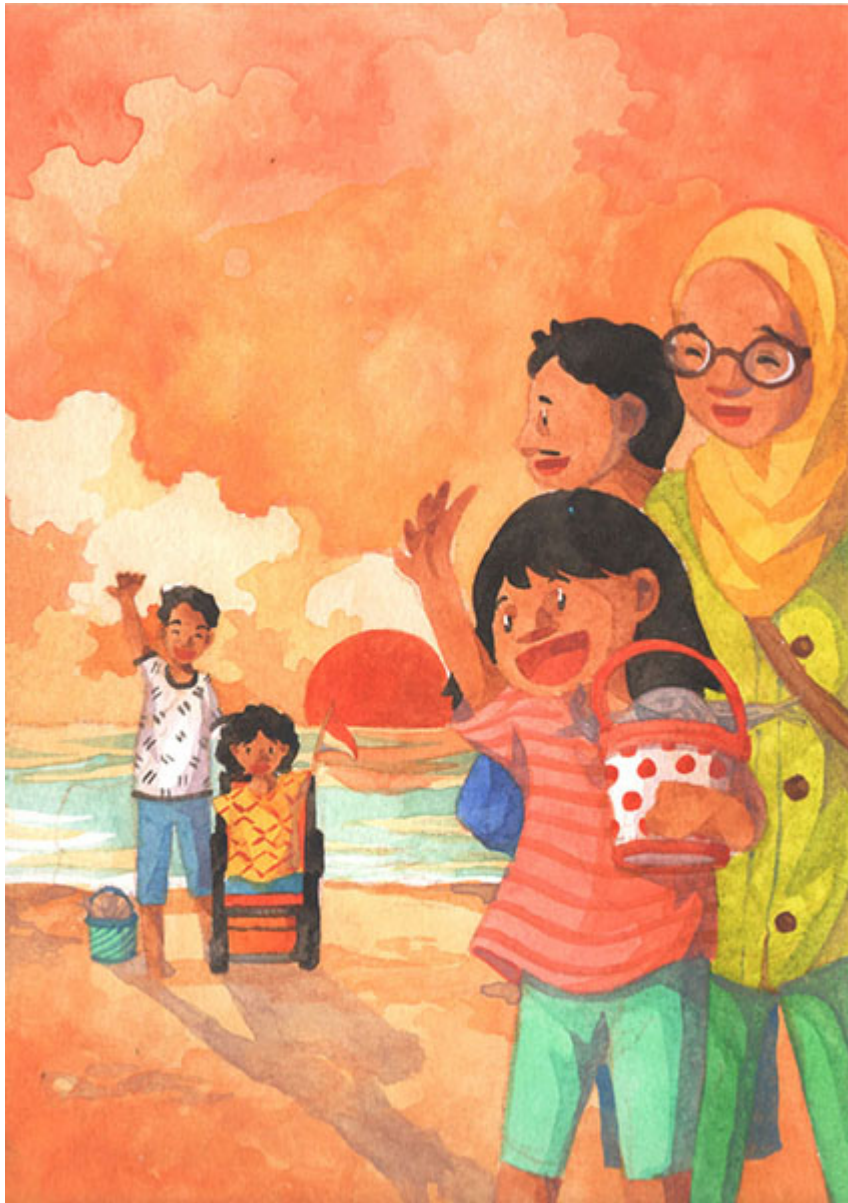
Emma is very good at diving!



She's good at other things, too.



What a fun day at the beach!



As they leave, Radinka tells her parents, "Tomorrow, Emma and I will play together again."

Tetra-amelia syndrome is a very rare disorder characterized by the absence of four limbs. Tetra is a Greek word for four, while amelia refers to the failure of the development of arms and legs before birth.

Many people think that people with this syndrome must depend on the help of others. In fact, people with this syndrome can do many things just like others. They can get on and off their wheelchairs, eat, get dressed, write, paint, swim, walk, and do many other things independently.

Some famous people with tetra-amelia include: Joanne O'Riordan, a writer and disability rights activist, Zuly Sanguino, a world-class artist who wishes to own an orphanage, and Nic Vujicic, a famous motivator who loves swimming, surfing, and paragliding.



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