

The Brave Turtle and the Shining Sea

Far away, in a blue shining sea, lived a small turtle named Tiko. He was slow and quiet, and big fishes often teased him.

One morning, a dark storm came. The waves grew tall, and many little sea animals were trapped. A baby dolphin cried for help, small crabs were stuck in rocks, and tiny fishes couldn't find their way.

Tiko wanted to hide, but then he saw a strange light under the water. It was a **glowing pearl**, shining like the sun. The pearl whispered, **“True courage is helping others, even when you are afraid.”**

With the pearl's light, Tiko swam through the strong waves. He pushed rocks away to free the crabs, guided the fishes to safe waters, and helped the baby dolphin reach its mother.

When the storm ended, the sea was calm again. All the animals cheered, *“Tiko, you are slow, but you are the bravest of us all!”*

Tiko smiled. He learned that even the smallest heart can shine like the biggest star.

✧[☆] **Moral:** Courage and kindness can turn weakness into strength.