**Dross Script**

**Names/bio:**

Dross – Hermit Crab: lazy, greedy, soft-hearted and willing to help.

Sai – Red Seabream: caring, childhood friend with Dross, acts as a shrine maiden

Mancy – Mackerel: reserved, introverted, bookworm

Tillie – Turtle: clumsy, curious, glutton

Angela – Angler Fish: playful, intimidating, helpful, secretly kind

Sera – Starfish: chipper, outgoing, likes to sing, is an idol and has a concert

Gura – Shark: mischievous, headstrong, skips to her own beat

***Intro***

Once upon a time, just beyond the coastal vastness of the deep blue, lies many under sea villages

And in these ocean villages are the fantastical Fish Folk.

Fish folk are Human-like people who evolved from their aquatic ancestors

Not just fish too, the various sea inhabitants have also grown and evolved as well

The many creatures of the sea and Fish Folk have lived in harmony for many millennia, peacefully minding their own business away from the surface dwellers

In the humble town of Umi Village is a local hermit crab named Dross

Now, you see here, Dross is kind of a lazy bum, often considered worthless among the Fish Folk of the village

However, he loves collecting useless trinkets from the surface world.

One peaceful day, a bunch of mysterious objects fell from above, polluting and damaging the surrounding areas of Umi Village

Seeing this as a chance to look for potential treasure among the heap

Dross grabs his metal detector from one of his trips on the surface, using it to detect stuff such as metal and plastic (don’t question it)

Dross now embarks on his quest to hopefully find something treasure worthy and get rich.

So he can finally get the praise and recognition he deserves.

***Level 1 Beginning***

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Alright, time to look for that treasure.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Though, I just bolted out of the village without thinking where to go.

Where even am I? I do recall some things falling in this area, though none of this looks familiar to me.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Hopefully I’m not too far off from town.

*#name ----*

[You hear some footsteps coming your direction]

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Wha? Who’s there?

*#name Sai #sprite normal*

Dross? Dross is that you?

What are you doing here?

*#name ----*

[This is Sai, she works for the shrine of the village. I’ve known her since we were small fry. She’s pretty popular around Umi Village, while I just kept to myself.]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I can be asking the same of you?

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

I’m here to find something that will get me rich.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Only then would the village finally recognize my worth.

*#name Sai #sprite sad*

Do you even know what you’re exactly looking for?

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

N-no, not really, just goanna scavenge around and hope I get lucky

*#name Sai #sprite normal*

Oh, I see then…

Well I’m just relieved to see you actually moving about outside of your home.

*#name Sai #sprite sad*

You would always just stay shut inside your home. And sometimes you would just disappear without any notice, always arriving with a bag full of junk.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Hey! It’s not junk, they’re trinkets, souvenirs from my visits to the surface world that I go on from time to time.

I don’t know what some of them even do yet. But I know this “metal detector” gizmo have here can help me find treasure.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

But you still haven’t answered my question, what are you doing here?

*#name Sai #sprite sad*

Oh. Well you seen all these mysterious objects falling from above right. Some of them have damaged the surrounding areas and are obstructing the environment.

*#name Sai #sprite normal*

I’m here on behalf of the shrine to help clean up the mess here.

*#name Sai #sprite blush*

Since you’re already out here, I would really appreciate if you could help out. If you don’t mind that is.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I’m not here to do charity work, I’m here to find something useful.

*#name Sai #sprite sad*

Oh, I see then.

Well, I’ll leave you to your work then.

*#name Sai #sprite blank*

[She leaves with the other Fish Folk of the shrine to start collecting the trash in the surrounding area]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

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Ok, back to treasure hunting.

I see the lights on this gadget change depending on how close I get to certain objects.

There’s too much junk in the way though, it’s interfering with the metal detector.

I need to do something about them.

***Level 1 End***

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

After clearing out the entire area, I still couldn’t find anything valuable.

But I was so sure, something good would’ve been here

*#name ----*

[You see Sai returning from her group]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Hi Dross. I see that you’re still playing treasure hunt I see.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I ain’t playing or pretending to be a pirate.

But even after searching the perimeter, this area is bust.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

No jewels, no gems, gold, nothing.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

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Hey Sai, by any chance, you don’t know anywhere else that may be polluted right?

*#name Sai #sprite normal*

Determined for the weirdest things I see

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

You know me…

*#name Sai #sprite blush*

Ever since we were little guppies, right?

*#name Sai #sprite sad*

Let’s see…

*#name Sai #sprite normal*

I think I’ve seen the objects fall near the Seaweed Forest and Coral Reef.

We’re still cleaning the areas near the village, so if you want to help-

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Yeah, no thanks.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

See later Sai!

*#name ----*

[You rushed out of the area faster than any crab could imaginable]

*#name Sai #sprite sad*

Oh Dross…

*#name Sai #sprite normal*

I guess if there’s one thing I admire about you; it is your passion once you make up your mind.

Alright, time to clean this zone-

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*#name Sai #sprite blush*

Oh, wait a minute….

This place is-

***Level 2 Beginning***

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Well, I made it to Seaweed Forest.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Dang, Sai wasn’t lying, this place is littered with junk.

And this place seems so remote too.

I can see why the people of the shrine are taking a while to get around here.

*#name ----*

[You feel a presence, as if something, or someone, is watching you]

…….

Dross

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

W-what, who is that.

Is someone else here?

*#name ----*

[The mysterious presence fades away and disappears into the forest]

Dross

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

That was… unnerving

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Gotta start collecting and leave here ASAP

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

UGH But there’s so much trash here.

Need to be quick.

***Level 2 End***

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

I searched the entire area and I still didn’t find anything valuable.

Just more scraps, bolts, and caps.

*#name ----*

[The mysterious presence reappears; you feel it rapidly approaching you]

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Uh oh. Oh crap, oh crap, I don’t think I can escape it fast enough.

[You hold up the metal detector like a staff, readying for a battle]

I-I’m not afraid of you, come at me.

*#name ----*

[The mysterious presence slowly encroaches out of the seaweed, revealing the true identity]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Huh, wait a minute. Aren’t you a mackerel?

*#name Mancy #sprite normal*

W-why yes I am. My name is Mancy.

And yes, I am indeed a mackerel.

I noticed someone entering the Seaweed Forest so I hid in the vegetation.

*#name Mancy #sprite happy*

I didn’t expect for other Fish Folk to wander into the Seaweed Forest.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I didn’t expect other Fish Folk to be here either.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Aren’t mackerel social fish that like to be in groups. Shouldn’t you be at school with the other mackerel.

*#name Mancy #sprite normal*

Technically, yes. We do reside in schools.

*#name Mancy #sprite sad*

But I’m not really the social type. I like to keep to myself most of the time.

*#name Mancy #sprite normal*

When I found Seaweed Forest, it was so quiet and desolate, it was the perfect place to isolate myself from the school.

*#name Mancy #sprite sad*

But then pollutants fell from the sky, it got so dirty and loud all of a sudden, it made it really hard to concentrate on reading and studying.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Oh, well, sorry to intrude on your alone time.

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

I’m a hermit crab, so I kinda understand the sentiment.

*#name Mancy #sprite normal*

No worries, it’s fine.

*#name Mancy #sprite happy*

Above all, I really appreciate you cleaning the Seaweed Forest.

Now I can get back to reading and studying, thanks to you.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Clean?

All I did was move the junk around somewhere less inconvenient.

It was getting in the way of my treasure collecting.

But I didn’t get anything here in this area, so I’m gonna need to move onto the next zone nearby.

*#name Mancy #sprite sad*

Oh, I see then…

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*#name Mancy #sprite normal*

B-but…

If you ever want to escape to a quiet location away from the noise of the other Fish Folk, I’ll welcome you anytime into Seaweed Forest.

*#name Mancy #sprite happy*

I wouldn’t mind your company.

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

Oh, thank. I’ll keep that offer in mind.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I need to continue my little trek for treasure.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

You take care now.

*#name Mancy #sprite normal*

Thanks, see you later and good luck on your little quest.

***Level 3 Beginning***

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

So this is the Coral Reef…

The ocean central hub. Always heard it was a beautiful sight, and that there were some interesting shells to collect here.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

But the place is a little too active for my taste.

*#name ----*

[muffled noise] H-H-

[You hear a distorted voice in the proximity]

[You can almost make out what they’re trying to say]

“H-HELP ME”

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

W-what was that.

Is someone in trouble.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

UGH What a pain, I don’t have time for this.

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*#name Dross #sprite normal*

But I guess my conscience is gonna feel bad if I don’t help otherwise.

And I won’t hear the end of it from Sai fi she finds out about this.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

HEY WHERE ARE YOU!? DO YOU NEED HELP!?

*#name ----*

[The muffled voice continues speak in response to your call]

U-under …… Trash

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Oh carp, are they buried underneath all this garbage.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Well, might as well do what I originally came here to do.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

HANG ON, I’M COMING

**Level 3 Encounter Tillie**

*#name ----*

**[**You found the source of voice**]**

[You dig up the junk around and to uncover…]

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

AAHHHH \*cough cough\*

I didn’t think someone would hear me, I thought I was a goner.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Thank you so much for your help.

The name is Tillie. Tillie the Sea Turtle.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Um, don’t mention it.

What were you doing buried under all that junk?

Oh the name is Dross by the way.

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

Oh that.

Well, you see…

I was out looking for something to eat.

*#name Tillie #sprite sad*

I found this clear thing with 6 rings on it, I tried eating it but it didn’t taste all that good.

So I tried to throw it away, but more of those things fell from above and I got tangled in them.

I couldn’t move and got stuck at the bottom of the sea floor. That’s when a bunch of those objects fell from the surface

*#name Tillie #sprite blush*

Aaahhh it’s so embarrassing. A sea turtle like me, such a klutz.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Uh, don’t worry about it. It’s not your fault that this happened.

[The surface huh… So that’s where these things come from. That explains a lot, they do have a lot of stuff up there]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Well, glad you’re ok. I’m here to scavenge some things myself here.

I’m going to continue looking in the area.

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

Oh, well alright then.

Good luck on your endeavor.

*#name Tillie #sprite happy*

B-but before you go, lemme give you a reward for your troubles.

*#name ----*

[She begins to look through her shell, rummaging through a bunch of items and snacks]

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

Oh, where could it be.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

[This might take a while, just going to mosey on out of here while she’s busy]

***Level 3 Ending***

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Dang it all, even after clearing out the area, I still couldn’t find anything valuable.

This was a waste of time…

*#name Tillie #sprite happy*

Oh, there you are Dross. I’ve been looking for ya, was wondering where you went off to.

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

I’m so sorry, I couldn’t find anything to give as a reward.

I ate all the snacks in my shell.

*#name Tillie #sprite blush*

I wish there was something I could’ve given you.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

*Oh, ah, don’t worry about it…*

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Hey Tillie-

*#name Tillie #sprite happy*

Yea, what’s up.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

You wouldn’t know of any other places that might have something valuable in them, would you?

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

Valuable? Hmmm….

Well I don’t know if it’s worth anything, but I usually go to the Great Barrier Reef to search for some food or anything delicious.

*#name Tillie #sprite happy*

I highly recommend the kelp and algae there, they’re sooo delicious.

You can try checking that place out, but you might have to cross the Sea Vents to get there.

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

That place can be pretty dangerous I’ve heard.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

The Great Barrier Reef huh.

Thanks Tillie, I might check that place out.

[It’s about as good a lead as any]

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

While I’m away, just don’t eat anything suspicious or get stuck you hear.

*#name Tillie #sprite happy*

Oh, um, glad to be of help.

*#name Tillie #sprite blush*

And I promise I won’t do anything dumb again.

*#name Tillie #sprite normal*

Next time you visit the Coral Reef; I’ll be sure to fetch ya something tasty.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

I’ll take you up on that offer someday.

Take care now, Silly the Sea Turtle hehe.

*#name Tillie #sprite blush*

The name is Tillie….

And I swear I won’t eat anything suspicious again, promise…

**Level 4 Beginning**

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Why is it so musky and dark here?

Must be the Sea Vents fuming all this stuff.

*#name ----*

[Your metal detector starts signaling off]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Huh, no way, even those objects fell in this area.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

It is kinda dangerous here. I can barely see anything.

But if there is potential treasure here, I gotta go for it.

*#name ----*

[You notice some ominous lights in the area]

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Uh oh, I think I’ve attracted some unwanted attention.

I’ve heard about some ravage Sea Folk who trick their prey by luring them in with lights.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Just gonna need to avoid them while I search the zone.

**Level 4 Ending**

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Well, that was a waste of time.

There’s nothing here.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Gotta get a move on before one of those glowing things notice me.

*#name ----*

[As soon as you try to leave, you notice something encroaching in on you.]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Huh!?

*#name Angela #sprite happy*

BOOOO!!

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

AAAHHH!!!

Please don’t eat me!

*#name Angela #sprite happy*

BUAHAHA!!!!

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

That was priceless face you made.

The name is Angela, what is a helpless crab like you doing down here on Angler Fish territory.

You’re lucky I was the one who found you first, the other Anglers wouldn’t have been so kind.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

[This girl is bad news; I need to get out of here ASAP]

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

HA-HA, you had your fun already, just leave me be please.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I’m just trying to make my way to Great Barrier Reef, now if you excuse me-

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

Great Barrier Reef? I know the way there, I can take you there if you want.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Huh? Really? Just like that?

Why are you willing to go that far for me, we barely just met?

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Also, why didn’t you kill me when you first saw me, like the other bottom dwellers here.

No offense.

*#name Angela #sprite happy*

Haha, no offense taken.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

To tell you the truth, what you said does hold some weight.

Fish Folk here are pretty barbaric and aren’t that great at socializing.

*#name Angela #sprite blush*

So it’s kind of a fresh of breath of metaphorical air seeing another Fish Folk that’s different from the rest here.

Gets kind of lonely here when there’s no one talk to.

Most new faces I try talking to always run away because of my light. I tried concealing it in my hair to make it easier to approach them without scaring them off.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

Which is how I managed to sneak up on ya without even noticing.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

So that’s how you did it eh?

[I guess if she’s offering, might as well take this chance.]

[Even if she did wanted to kill me, I’m dead either way if I stay here any longer.]

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Well, if you don’t mind showing me the way and escorting me to the Great Barrier Reef, I guess I could use your company along the way.

Oh, the name is Dross by the way-

*#name Angela #sprite blush*

Heh, no worries. I’ll be the greatest guide you’ve ever seen.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

Now, the Great Barrier Reef.

I think it’s….uuuhhh…

*#name Angela #sprite sad*

Hmmmm, I think it’s over there, no…

That way over there… wait let’s see…. Over there I think?

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

[Oh carp, I’m so dead…]

**Level 5 Beginning**

*#name Angela #sprite happy*

Yo Dross, you still hanging in there?

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

\*panting\* For a Fish Folk known for being so low energy, you seem to have tons of it.

Slow down will ya, I’m just a hermit crab.

*#name Angela #sprite sad*

Oh, my bad.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

It’s just exciting to be able to hold a conversation with someone else. Plus it’s like we’re on some sort of adventure, so fun!

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I appreciate the enthusiasm, but let’s please focus on getting to our destination.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

Sure thing. We’re almost out of the previous area. I think we are getting closer to where you want to be.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Oh thank Poseidon, I don’t know how much longer my metal detector will last out here. It’s nice to finally see some sun light.

**Level 5 Trigger 1**

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

Hey Dross, I gotta ask. Why do you have that funky looking stick? And why the rush to Great Barrier Reef?

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Well, this funky looking stick here is a Metal Detector. I got it from one of my trips from the surface.

It helps with finding treasure, but all this junk that fell from above is getting in the way of it working properly.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Then I heard the Great Barrier Reef has some potential valuables, so I’m gonna check it out.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

So that’s what those objects from above were.

*#name Angela #sprite sad*

The surface huh?

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

That’s sounds like fun.

*#name Angela #sprite sad*

But sadly, Angler Fish like me can’t really go up that far. We don’t handle the light up there all that well.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

But I am perfectly fine residing where I’m at. It’s where a lot of my friends and family are at anyway.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I see…

Well, next time I visit the surface, I’ll bring down a trinket for ya.

*#name Angela #sprite blush*

That would be neat, thanks~

**Level 5 Trigger 2**

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

This is the farthest I can go. Great Barrier Reef is just up ahead. Hope you find what you’re looking for.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

[Huh, I guess she was trying to guide me here without trying to kill me]

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Thanks… Anglea, it was much appreciated.

*#name Angela #sprite happy*

No problemo.

But the next time you visit the Sea Vents, you better hope it’s me who finds first again.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

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*#name Angela #sprite happy*

Haha, I’m just joking.

*#name Angela #sprite normal*

Anyways, see you around Hermit Crab. Don’t get eaten while you’re out there.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Yeah… see ya.

*#name blank*

[You see Angela take her leave, slowly fading back into the darkness of the vents…]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Well, that was a thing…

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Now, time to check out the deal with this Great Barrier Reef place.

**Level 6 Beginning**

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

So this is Great Barrier Reef. I guess like Coral Reef, it’s a lot more lively than I would like it to be.

*#name ----*

[You hear a voice heading your direction]

Waaaaahhhhh!!!!

\*THUMP\*

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Whoa there!

Watch where you’re going

*#name Sera #sprite sad*

Oh, gee, I’m so sorry, I didn’t mean too. I’m so sorry.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Wait a minute. I think I’ve seen you before.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Yeah, I think I do. You’re Sera, the Starfish. The up and coming idol star rising in popularity.

I love listening to your songs.

*#name Sera #sprite normal*

Well, it’s always great to meet a fan.

*#name Sera #sprite sad*

But I wouldn’t say it’s the best time to meet right now.

There’s trouble going on in the Great Barrier Reef.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Oh? What’s going on?

*#name Sera #sprite sad*

Well you see, I was about to hold my 2nd concert here, it’s well populated and the scenery is beautiful.

But when my crew and I were testing the equipment, objects fell from above water and dirtied the entire area.

Not only that, during the chaos, it seems jellyfish also ended up floating down here, making it dangerous for any Fish Folk to roam around.

Oh barnacles, my concert is ruined…

*#name Sera #sprite normal*

I just wanted to perform and bring smiles for the nice folk here.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

That is indeed quite a dilemma.

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

I don’t know about the jellyfish situation, but I can definitely help with the trash problem.

*#name Sera #sprite normal*

Really? You really mean it?

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Anything to hear your songs and bring hope to the other Fish Folk.

I’ll do what I can for you, your music has helped me in the past.

*#name Sera #sprite happy*

YIPPEE!!!

I’m looking forward to perform in the Great Barrier Reef, I hope I won’t disappoint.

*#name Sera #sprite normal*

I’ll stay here so I don’t get in your way. Just be careful of the jellyfish, I wouldn’t want a fan to get hurt because of me.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Don’t worry, I got this….

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

[I think…]

[Hopefully there’s some treasure here]

**Level 5 Ending**

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Well, the area is cleared. It seems the jellyfish also left as well.

Looks liked they were caught in the debris of trash and ended up floating down here.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

But with nothing tethering him, they kinda just flew up away.

[And still no sign of anything valuable…]

*#name Sera #sprite happy*

Hi there fan, amazing work on the jellyfish and trash situation. The Great Barrier Reef looks a lot prettier now.

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

Oh, uh, no problem.

You can call me Dross if you want… It’s my name.

*#name Sera #sprite normal*

Dross, huh.

*#name Sera #sprite happy*

Well Dross, for all your hard work for making my next concert possible, name one thing you want and I’ll see if I can grant it for you.

You know, under my producer’s approval…

*#name Sera #sprite sad*

Oh wait, I never had a producer

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

[No producer to manage her career? How did she make it this far in the industry?]

[I could take advantage and ask for a VIP ticket to her next showing, or…]

Well, that aside, you wouldn’t know of any place that has any treasure would you.

I came to Great Barrier Reef looking for such a thing.

*#name Sera #sprite sad*

Treasure?

Hmmmm…

HMMMMMMM…..

*#name Sera #sprite happy*

Well, this might sound pretty cliché, but there are some ruins nearby. I’ve heard of legends of treasure in those types of places.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Ruins huh?

[It is indeed pretty cliché, but I am at my wits end on this quest here]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Well, it’s worth a shot.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Thanks for the info Sera.

And good luck on your next concert, I’m looking forward to your next single.

*#name Sera #sprite normal*

That’s what I’m here for.

*#name Sera #sprite happy*

Sera, the starfish. The star that will brighten up the ocean with love and smiles.

*#name Sera #sprite norml*

Oh, I know, I’ll dedicate my next song to the heroic hermit crab for the Great Barrier Reef!

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

Y-you don’t really have to.

I don’t like the attention anyway.

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Just continue being you Sera.

*#name Sera #sprite normal*

Roger! Will do~

**Ending Level Beginning**

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

This is the closest ruins I could locate in the surrounding areas.

My metal detector is on the verge of giving out, here’s hoping for something decent at least.

It’ll be embarrassing to face Sai and the rest of Umi Village if I come back empty handed.

Worst case, I’ll just take my chances and move away, like the hermit crab I always am…

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

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**Ending Trigger**

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

The metal detector is picking up on something.

Could this be it???

*#name ----*

[You threw your metal detector and started digging in the designated spot]

[Something shing unveils itself onto you, could it possibly be what you were looking for?]

[It is…]

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

A DIAMOND RING!

AND A BOX OF GOLD!!!

Of all things to be thrown away into the ocean.

It might not be much, but it should definitely be worth something.

This journey…

It wasn’t a waste of time.

Gotta get this back to Umi Village.

The praise I’ll get for this, it’ll be so worth it.

**Ending Outro**

A diamond ring and a box of gold.

Rushing back to Umi Village with treasures in hand, Dross was welcomed with a surprise.

He was showered in praise and a positive reception.

But not for his supposed treasures, what are Fish Folk even going to do with gold anyways.

No, the praise was for his deeds across the ocean floor.

Unbeknownst to him, along his pursuit for treasure, he inadvertently cleansed the sea by purging the waste that polluted the realm of the sea creatures.

Even though his original intentions weren’t so noble, his conscience has changed for the better.

Now in Umi Village, he is no longer Dross, the worthless lazy bum, he is now known as Dross, a hero for the many Fish Folk communities.

After reflecting on this newfound respect and treasure in tow. He decided to share his gold with many of the Fish Folk in Umi Village (again what are they going to do with it).

With his Diamond Ring, he decided to give it to…

**Sai Ending**

Give it to his childhood friend, Sai the seabream.

With his moral compass now pointing in the right direction, he and Sai now both work for the shrine, aiding the different parts of the ocean in cleanup and preservation.

Life feels good when you’re helping out other communities.

**Mancy Ending**

Give it to Mancy the Mackerel.

Both wanting a quiet life, Dross visits Mancy every day, relaxing in the solitude of the Seaweed Forest, enjoying the calm peaceful ambience of each other’s company.

Not every ending needs to be grand, everyone needs a much-deserved rest by the end of the day.

**Tillie Ending**

Give it to Tillie the Sea Turtle.

Dross no longer having a need for the metal detector, he joins Tillie on scouring the ocean for delicious food and cuisines to eat. He also makes sure she doesn’t eat anything dangerous as well.

Food taste better when eating with the ones you care about.

**Angela Ending**

Give it to Angela the Angler Fish.

With the deep sea to dangerous for Dross to live in, both of them find a cave to move into, one where it’s not too dark, not too bright, it’s just right. Both Dross and Angela live out their lives together, admiring the sea for all of its beauty.

Happiness can be found in the places one might not expect.

**Sera Ending**

Give it to Sera the Starfish.

Dross now became her producer, not only supporting her in eventually becoming the number one pop star idol of the sea, but also getting front row seats to her concerts, cheering her on as her fan.

With Dross’ newfound renown and Sera’s talent and popularity, their names will spread all across the ocean.

Helping other does definitely have its perks.

**Ending Epilogue**

Now, you might wonder where did all the trash Dross collected all ended up going.

Well…

Let’s say it returned to where it belonged…

**Gura Beginning Comic**

Along his way to the Coral Reef, Dross encountered a peculiar Sea Folk.

**Gura Beginning**

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

How much farther until I reach the Coral Reef?

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

I don’t think I’ve ever explored this area before.

*#name ----*

[You notice a large shadow engulfing above you]

[You look up and notice a terrifying sight]

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

OH CARP!!!

Are those sharks? Did I wander into shark territory?

I heard those type of Sea Folk are very vicious and I most likely won’t be leaving out alive.

*#name ----*

[A looming presence fast approaches you]

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Uh oh, I know this feeling. Here we go again.

*#name ----*

[You close your eyes and get ready for the encounter]

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

STAY BACK, I’M NOT AFRAID TO USE THIS!

*#name ----*

[after a minute of nothing happening, you slowly open your eyes, just for you to see a shark standing right before you, smiling]

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Haha, you’re a funny one. Don’t worry, I won’t eat you, I’m not that type of shark.

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

The name is Gawr Gura. It’s surprising you don’t recognize me, if you did, you wouldn’t be so defensive around me.

*#name Gura #sprite happy1*

I don’t expect you Sea Folk to know my name, but up on the surface, I’m pretty well-known.

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

My name is Dross, I’m sadly not as well known…

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Gura you say? I think I may have heard that name somewhere before in one of my trips to the surface.

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Oh, that’s good to hear.

I noticed a new face around here. I’m guessing you’re on your way to the Coral Reef?

*#name Gura #sprite happy1*

You’re mighty brave to wander into the middle of the sharks feeding time. I’d advise coming some other time.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

That explains why there is so many sharks around this area.

*#name ----*

\*You noticed your metal detector is going off\*

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Oh wait a minute, is there potential treasure around here? I think I’ll try my luck and see if I can scavenge anything here.

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

Are you sure about that hehehe.

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Hmmmm. I don’t know about treasure, but some interesting things did fall from above recently.

There might be something useful for you around here.

*#name Gura #sprite happy1*

I can’t guarantee you safety though. The sharks are mighty hungry around this time of the day. Do be careful not to end up in one of their gullets.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Gee, thanks for the words of encouragement.

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

Haha, that’s what I’m best at.

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

If you ever need me, I’ll be waiting at the other end of the road.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Wait you have a trident don’t you, can’t you protect-

*#name ----*

[Gura swims off rapidly to the other side of the reef, you see her waving in the distance]

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

-me…

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*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Welp, I don’t need her help anyway.

Just gotta avoid the sharks in this area while I search.

**Gura Middle**

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Wait a minute, is that Gura over there?

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Does that mean this is the end of the reef?

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Oh hi Dross!

*#name Gura #sprite happy1*

This isn’t the end of the reef, I’m hear to warn you that the feeding frenzy is in full swing, and great ol white shark is coming up right behind you.

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Did you say… Great White

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

Yes sir I did indeed.

*#name Gura #sprite happy1*

Now I don’t want to get in his way, so I’ll just skedaddle on out of here.

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Haha good luck my guy.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Wait wait wait don’t just leave-

*#name ----*

[you see Gura swim off in a blitz with amazing speed and swiftness]

*#name Dross #sprite sad*

Me here…

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Oh great, now I have a huge shark to worry about now.

**Gura Ending**

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Tsk, even surviving of all of that, there is still no treasure here.

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Heya Dross, I see you made it out alive.

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

Honestly it’s pretty surprising to see you actually make it in one piece.

Did you manage to find any treasure?

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Sadly no.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

Not thanks in part due to your help…

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Oh golly, when you put it like that.

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

I’m glad I could be of assistance to you.

*#name Dross #sprite angry*

That’s not what I-

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Sigh never mind.

So is this the way to the Coral Reef?

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

Haha sure is.

It should be smooth sailing from here on out for you.

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Hope so, I really don’t want to deal with anymore sea folk.

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

Well it was a pleasure meeting you little Hermit Crab.

I’m gonna head back to the surface for a livestream now.

*#name Gura #sprite normal*

If you ever feel like coming up there, be sure to drop by.

I’ll make sure to give you a shout out if you’re there.

*#name Dross #sprite blush*

I’ll…think about it…

*#name Gura #sprite happy2*

Well take care now you hear, and don’t get accidentally eaten by crazy fish you hear!

Bye~

*#name ----*

[you see her swim off towards the surface relatively fast]

*#name Dross #sprite normal*

Well… that sure was quite the experience.

The Coral Reef is this way right?

*#name Dross #sprite happy*

Treasure here I come!