

BENEATH THE WAVES

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EXT. MIDDLE OF THE SEA. NIGHT. STORM

In the darkness, a fishing boat is buffeted by the storm. The rain and the waves are throwing it around. Lightning illuminates the scene, and when thunder booms the boat finally capsizes.

EXT. FRONT DOOR OF A HOUSE. DAWN.

NICO opens the front door and finds two police officers. The officers say something inaudible, NICO shakes his head, holding tightly onto the door frame.

FADE TO:

EXT. EDGE OF THE CLIFF. EVENING. CLEAR SKIES.

NICO walks along the edge of the cliff calmly. He stops at the very edge, closes his eyes and smiles, feeling the breeze. CATALINA approaches him from behind and places her hands on her hips.

CATALINA

One of these days you're going  
to fall.

NICO (turning his head)

I'm not going to fall, Lina,  
I've been walking this edge  
for too long.

CATALINA (frowning)

That doesn't mean anything.  
(They start walking together  
towards the beach.)

NICO

How are you holding up?

CATALINA

I should be asking you that.  
(Sigh) I don't know, I guess  
I'm okay. It's been a year.

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Everything seems almost normal  
now.

NICO (nodding)

Yeah...

CATALINA

My mom made you some food. You  
want me to bring it over  
later?

NICO

Yeah, leave them in the fridge  
yourself. I think I'll go for  
a swim.

CATALINA

I'll see you later. (She walks  
away)

EXT. SHORE AND SEA. EVENING. CLEAR SKIES.

NICO walks towards the shore. He undresses calmly and leaves his clothes in a pile on the sand. NICO goes into the sea and starts swimming to the buoys. While he swims, a purple tail breaks the surface of the water near him. NICO stops to look around, but he doesn't see anything strange. Then, with a yelp of surprise, NICO is pulled underwater.

The 'BENEATH THE WAVES' logo slowly appears over the surface of the water, where NICO was, while the sound of the waves and the cries of seagulls come into focus.