

I climbed the tree; but something was different now: the caves were glowing with firelight... Humans! We were not alone on this plateau.

I could hardly wait to share my news with the others. I looked at my watch and saw that it was half-past four, and I quickly made my way back to the camp. Just then, I heard a strange noise behind me; it sounded like a low, deep growl. As I hurried along, I heard the creature growl a second time. My heart stood still when I realised that the beast, whatever it was, was chasing me!

Something moved in the bushes – then, to my horror, a large creature hopped out into the open. It was enormous; twice the size of an elephant! In the moonlight, I could see its huge teeth, and the sharp claws on its short forearms. There was no doubt it was a flesh-eating dinosaur. I threw my gun away, and ran and ran and ran. My limbs ached, my chest burned, and my throat felt like it was going to burst. Finally, the sound of the creature's heavy steps faded away. I returned to the camp just before sunrise, but my heart sank when I opened the thorny gate. All our belongings had been scattered over the ground, my companions were gone, and the grass was stained with blood.

