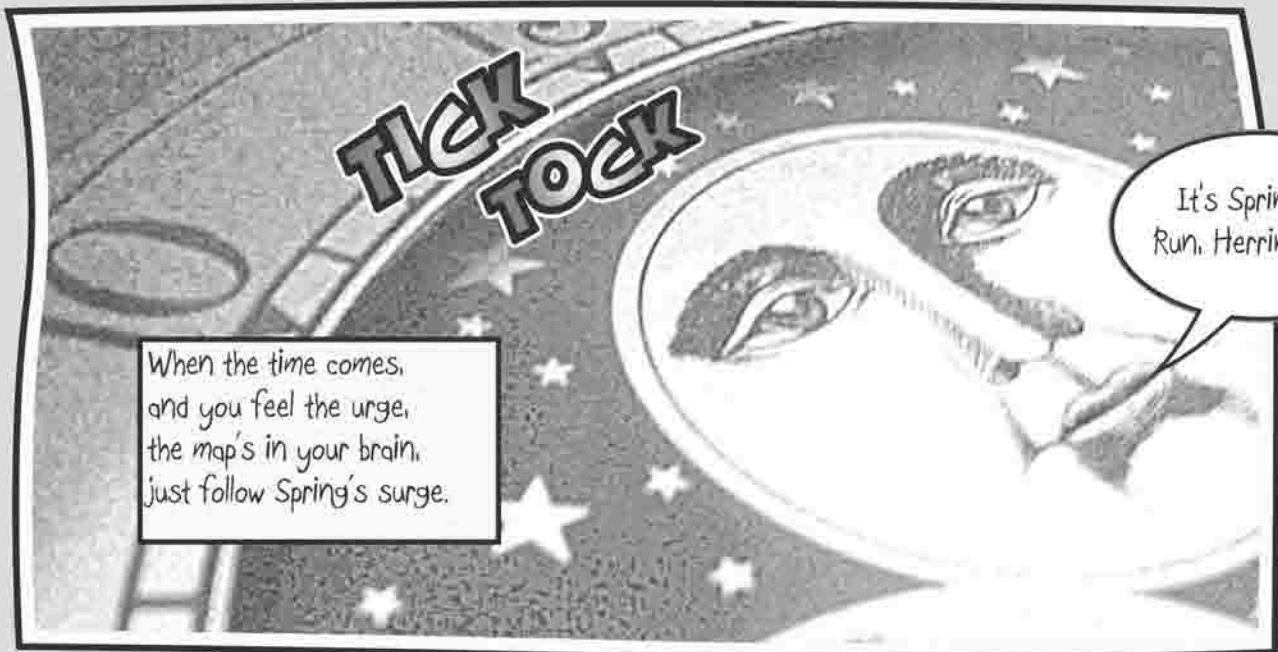
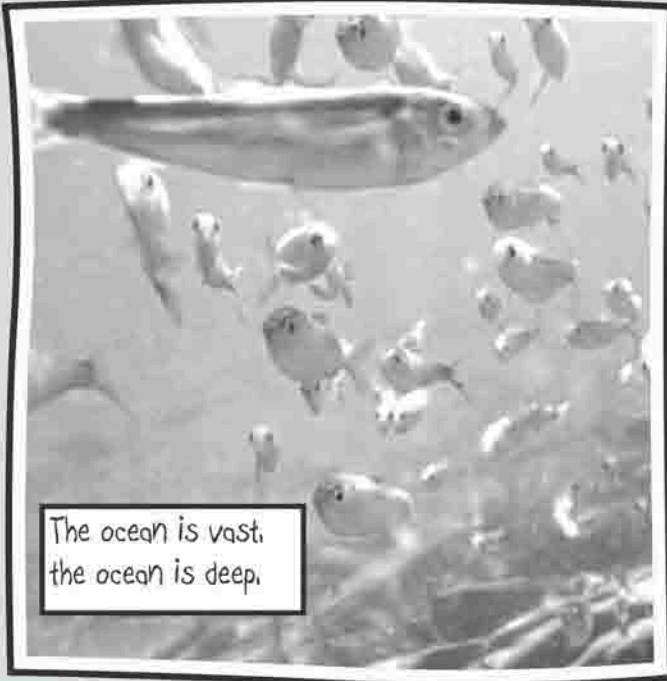


RUN, HERRING, RUN

An Alewife's Advice to Her Young



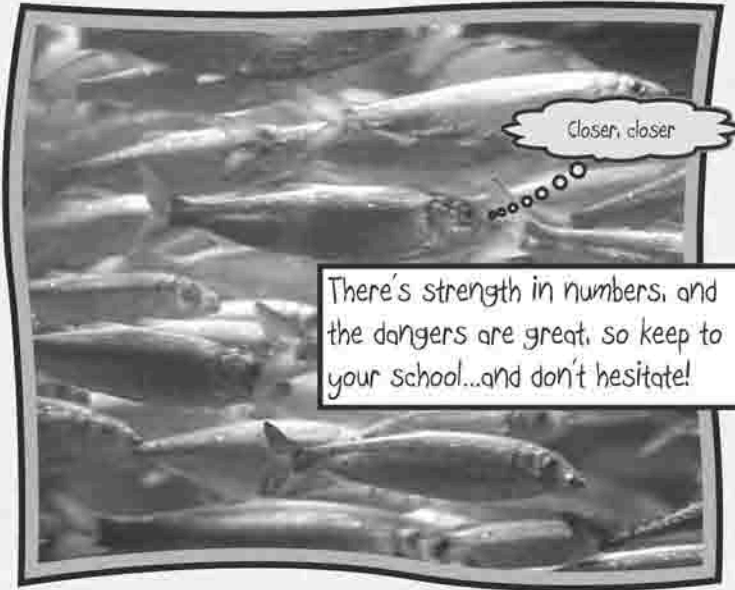
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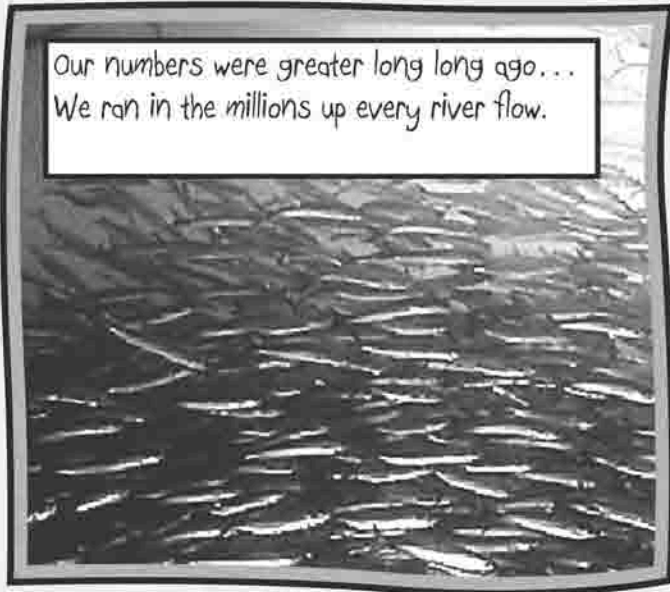
Ahh, the sweet smell of home!

Go back to our home, you'll know by the smell. You and the others just follow the trail.

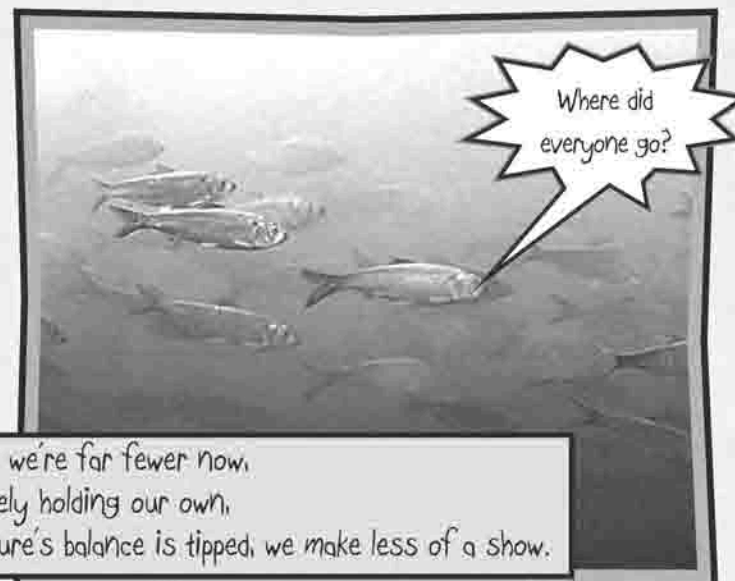


Closer, closer

There's strength in numbers, and the dangers are great, so keep to your school...and don't hesitate!



Our numbers were greater long long ago... We ran in the millions up every river flow.

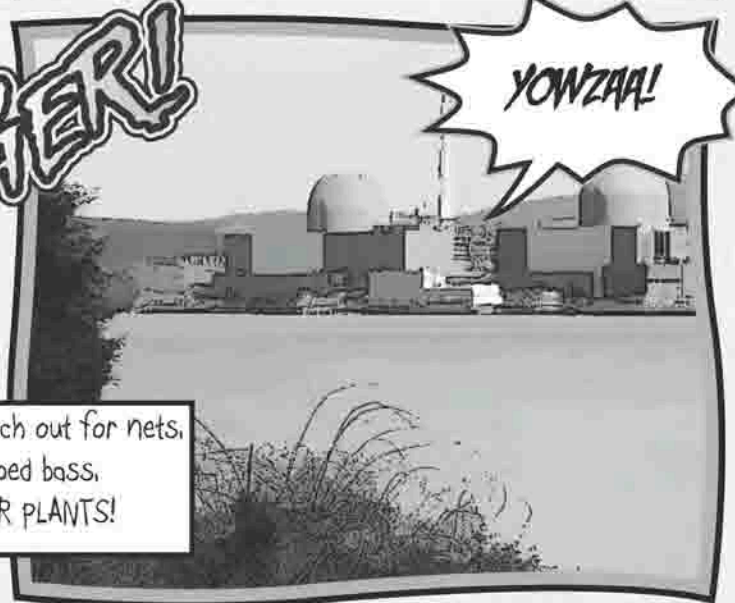


Where did everyone go?

But we're far fewer now, barely holding our own, nature's balance is tipped, we make less of a show.

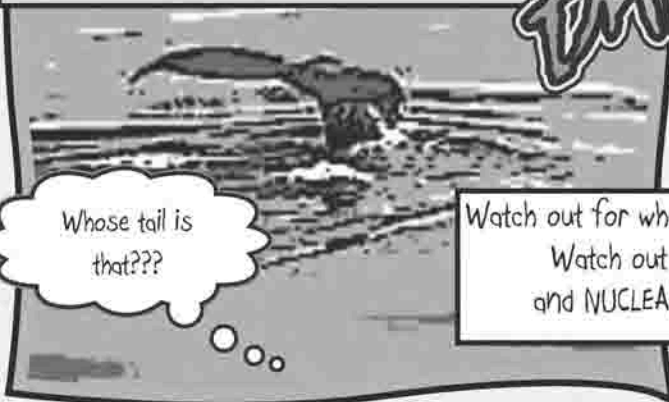
Swim quick and go fast, stay together in your run. Run back to our home where your young can have fun.

DANGER!



YOWZAA!

Watch out for whales, watch out for nets, Watch out for striped bass, and NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS!

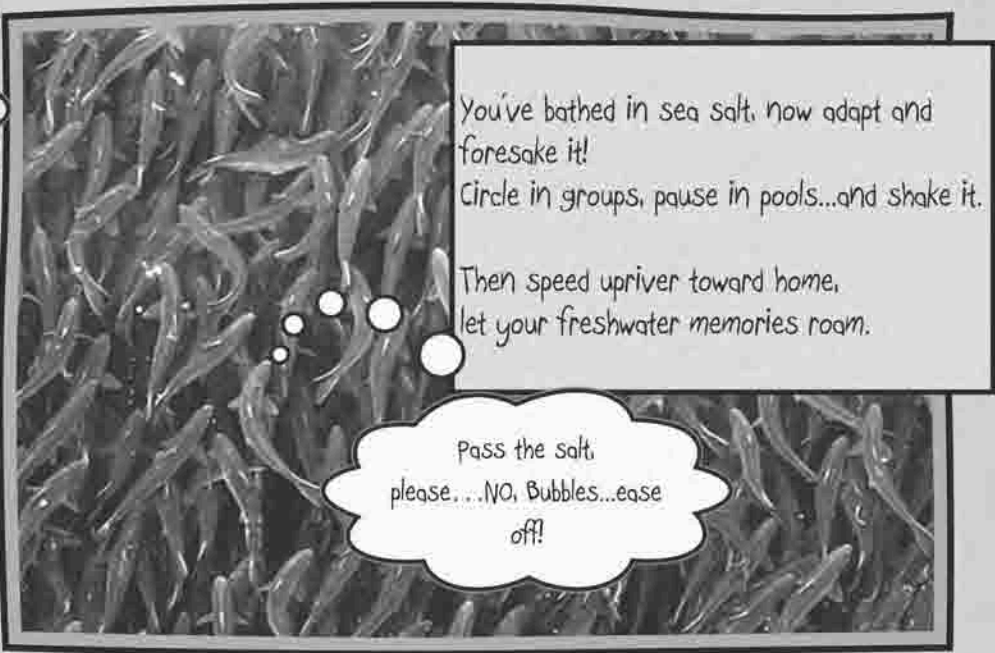


Whose tail is that???



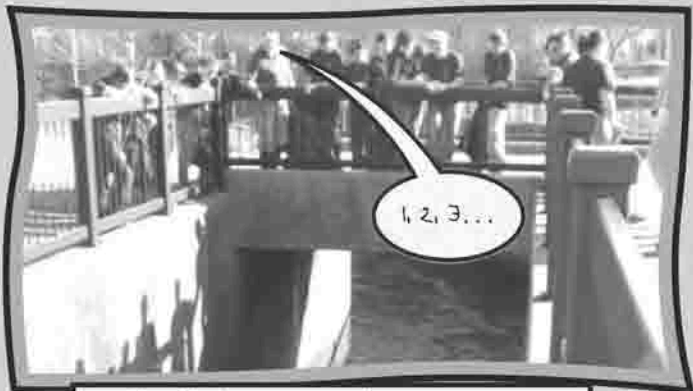
Look out... there's another net!

It will be a hard trip (and many may not make it!)



You've bathed in sea salt, now adapt and foresake it!
Circle in groups, pause in pools...and shake it.
Then speed upriver toward home, let your freshwater memories room.

Pass the salt, please...NO, Bubbles...ease off!



1, 2, 3...

people will cheer, and point and count you,



sea gulls will chase, bogs and dams will confound you.

a group of gulls is a "Squabble"



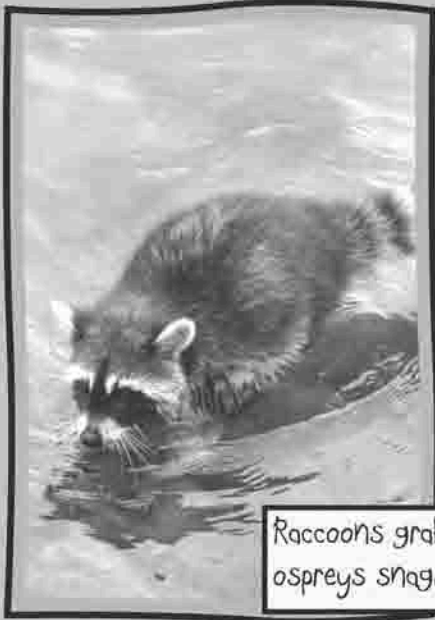
Power up waterfalls, look for fishways and ladders.

SWISH SWISH



Some men try to help us, but watch out for others...

a few try to poach your sisters and brothers!



Raccoons grab, and heron beaks spear,
ospreys snag, and eagle claws rip.



HEROES

You who survive will be heroes for sure,
living to spawn,
boosting our numbers next year.



Lay your eggs fast, as many as you can.

Millions and
Billions!



then follow your map again,
downriver...off land.



EEL - AN EEL!

Watch out for gulls, watch out for boats,
Watch out for eels, and...

**RUN
BACK
--
FLEE
TO SEA**

YOW!



ELECTRIC POWER
PLANTS!



WELCOME!

Many eggs will be eaten...feeding creatures big and small.
But our fry that survive will join us by Fall.
Welcome back to sea... welcome back all!