

Sophie The Girl Who Sacrificed Herself for The Island of Dawn

Once long ago in the times of the ancient Greeks on the island of Dawn lived an 11-year-old girl named Sophie. She lived with her dad in a little, wooden, slanted cottage in the middle of a small, scary, dark wood on the edge of the island. On the island was a never-ending war that had been going on for the last 120 years; Sophie was now living her life scared even to walk half a mile alone, since it seemed like everyone was out to kill everyone in sight, even if it was only their neighbours!

Sophie appreciated everything even if it was hardly anything, she always wanted to help nature and be kind to the people of the island as long as they were kind to her and to the innocent wildlife.

Years went by and Sophie had grown up to be a beautiful, kind girl who wanted to spread peace and joy everywhere she went. One day as she was sitting at home in her little cottage, she decided she would put an end to war on the island. So, the next day she got to work on a plan and she got a list of all the things she would need. A week later Sophie packed a small rucksack and set out to build a boat, sail to the middle of the ocean and try and convince the flower goddess Demeris to help her. So, there she was 4 weeks later in the middle of the ocean, praying to the goddess Demeris to help her with her journey to spread peace and joy everywhere on the island of Dawn (and all over the world and if she could on different planets too!)

“I will help you on one condition,” said Demeris a year later. “In order to receive my help, you will need to sail the southern seas, walk across the land of the unknown and up to the land of the gods and goddesses and find me. If you do so I will help you.” Sophie hesitated for a second; lots of things were going through her head like what if she didn’t make it, what if she died, or what if she let herself and her home island down?

After a lot of thinking Sophie decided to take the risk and accept the challenge to save the island of Dawn. The next morning Sophie set sail on the southern seas, ready to risk her life for peace and joy!

It had been minutes and seconds, days and nights, months and years, and Sophie was just over half way across the southern seas, watching out for any sign of land. She had been at sea for a long time and was getting lonely, but she knew she had to keep going. For a while now, Sophie had been eating fish, dead sea birds (that were dead when she first saw them) and all sorts of sea plants. Even though it was nice at first, Sophie couldn't wait for some different food.

A year passed and Sophie could finally see land; she had never been so happy to see land in her life! She instantly got out of the boat and started swimming, not knowing the dangers on the island ahead...

Sophie hopped onto the island and danced with joy; she was proud and happy she had made it this far. All she had to do now was walk through the Land of the Unknown, walk up to the land of the gods and goddesses and save the island of Dawn. The next day Sophie got to work walking across the Land of the Unknown, ready to take on anything standing in her way. A couple of days passed and Sophie was enjoying the nature around her, when all of a sudden, the ground below shook. With a scare Sophie froze; she had a bad feeling she was not the only one here that was hungry and ready to eat!

Sophie carefully peeled back the velvety, green leaves and saw something she would never forget; a big, red, fire-breathing dragon! Sophie tried to run but couldn't; as much as she tried the dragon would not let go of her, it was just too strong. Sophie panicked but saw something in the corner of her eye, a feather!

Sophie quickly grabbed it and began tickling the dragon. The dragon let go, and Sophie knew this was her chance to kill the viscous, horrible, bloodthirsty monster. She pulled out the dagger she had in her bag (which she had very carefully packed) and threw it at the dragon's throat. She couldn't believe it - she had just killed a dragon; she didn't know if she should be proud or disappointed with herself. She carried on with her journey.

A year had passed and Sophie could finally see the steps up to the land of the gods. She had done it! She had got through the roughest seas and the most dangerous land. Sophie's heart filled with joy as she raced up the steps and called

out for the flower goddess, as she had promised to help Sophie if she could get to her. Demeris came up to Sophie and told her to hop on a boat. Sophie got in as Demeris started to blow the boat back to the island of Dawn.

A while later Sophie found herself on the island of Dawn, the place she had missed and the place where she grew up. Best of all, instead of war on the island, she found happiness, joy, and even better, her father! He had missed her so much over the four years Sophie had been out saving the island of Dawn.

For the rest of Sophie's life, she lived in peace, love, happiness, and joy, enjoying telling her story to everyone; to this day she is still know as the girl who sacrificed herself for the island of Dawn!

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