

## **The Stones**

The next morning the two friends got up very early and rushed into town. They were unsure of what they were looking for, but they knew they needed help. They decided to go see their friends at the bell tower mall because they had a specific guy that they always go to that they know knows everything and can get them anything, no one knew his real name, but everyone just called him Kall. When they knocked on his door there was no answer, "of course he wouldn't be up at this hour" Gilly said, "then we will just have to wake him up" Jack said as he opened the door, they both walked in like it was their own house passing the living room but see him sleeping on the couch in a deep sleep. Gilly goes over to the sink and fills up a bowl of ice-cold water and dumped it on his head, and he jumped up swinging his arms yelling. "what did you do that for!???" "you weren't gonna wake up and we are in a hurry" said Gilly, "what's the problem then?" he said, "did you notice the statues on the sign this morning?" "what are you talking about?? I drove by yesterday, there is nothing there, you guys have too big of an imagination, now let an old man get his beauty sleep".

Jack and Gilly were shocked and ran out the door, they headed straight back for the gate but when they were biking past Joel stone park Jack noticed something on the half-finished condo building... Two different gargoyle statues beside the ones that they saw yesterday. The ones that they saw yesterday looked cracked and pieces looked like they were about to fall off, Jack and Gilly were Scared and knew they had to do something soon.

They decided to go to the gates where the gargoyles used to be and when they got there was something written under where they were standing. "Τα αγάλματα θα κινηθούν μέχρι να είναι έτοιμα και θα αλλάξουν τον κόσμο για πάντα μπορούν να σταματήσουν μόνο όταν ολοκληρωθεί ο γρίφος." Jack rewrote the symbols the best he could, and then they noticed two stone puzzle pieces were left there, both the boys were very confused and decided to go to the library computers and set up google translate.

They put the words/symbols in and it turned out the words were in Greek and it translated to "The Statues will move until they are ready and will change the world forever, they can only be stopped when the puzzle is completed." The boys realized that the pieces they took were part of the puzzle. They put two pieces

together and a message started to appear on it "Το δεύτερο τελευταίο κομμάτι θα βρεθεί στο ποτάμι από όπου βρίσκονται τα νέα αγάλματα" They used google translate again and found it translated too "The second last piece will be found in the river by where the new gargoyles were found".

The boys both jumped up and biked as fast as they could to the berm. They looked at the gargoyles and two more had showed up more and more broken. They ran to the water and looked all around until Jack spotted something tangled up in the seaweed, Gilly the much better swimmer dived in and headed down. he tugged and pulled as hard as he could, but he couldn't get it until he noticed a swiss army knife float down beside him, it was Jacks. He ripped it open and cut the seaweed and swam as fast as he could, jumped out of the water and gasped for air. He had this strange combination lock thing in his hand. Jack loved puzzles, so he started away on the combination lock.

On the half completed puzzle another message appeared but this time in a different language "La cuarta y finalmente la pieza se encuentran al lado de las dos nuevas gárgolas al final de la presa" Gilly said" wait this is in Spanish!" Gilly's whole family was from Spain and he was fluent in Spanish! Gilly Said to Jack "you keep working on the puzzle I'll be back, Gilly got to the dam as fast as he could. He saw the gargoyles and ran to them, he noticed that the puzzle started to glow he held it up and between them the final stone connected into the puzzle, he ran back to Jack leaving his bike behind. the wind had taken all the leaves off the trees and the gargoyles, full of cracks and about to burst, but Jack had the final piece, the puzzle pieces all flew together and started to burn. As so did the gargoyles melting away and turning into dust...

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