

THE BUGTOPIAN

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A THAWING MYSTERY:

Samudera Bugs Uncover Reason Behind Calamities?

ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Attie is brimming with courage and will stop at nothing to solve a mystery.

Final stop: Solaris!



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Above: These brave Bugs from Samudera try to uncover the reason behind the recent calamities in Bugtopia.

SAMUDERA – In this issue of *The Bugtopian*, three Book Bugs give an exclusive interview on the mysterious happenings taking place in Samudera.



Attie: Thank you, Usurpa, Sejorce, and Guardian Xue Yu, for coming forward to do this interview. Please tell us more about what's been happening in your Land.



Xue Yu: As you know, only the most adaptable Bugs can thrive in Samudera because of its harsh landscape of

snow-capped mountains, frozen valleys, and unforgiving cold weather. Unfortunately, things have worsened recently...



Sejorce: We've all heard about the Bug disappearances in other Lands, and it has been no different in Samudera. Thankfully, some Bugs have returned, but as leaders of Samudera, we decided to dig deeper.



Attie: Tell us more. What do you think is behind all these?

TOP STORY



Usurpa: Hmph! It's not "what", it's "who"!



Sejorce: Based on the intel we got from Huo Huan, Usurpa, Xue Yu and I hiked through the snowiest of mountains in search of the culprit —



Usurpa: (*Interrupts Sejorce*) Oh excuse me, I'm helping ONLY BECAUSE I want to find the one who has been ruining my plans to rule over Bugtopia. Little did I know that "he" was also looking to do the same!



Xue Yu: As Usurpa said, it is a "he" who is responsible. In fact, we have narrowed down the list of suspects to just one: *The End Bug*.



Sejorce: We think that *The End Bug* is bent on becoming the MOST POWERFUL Bug in Bugtopia—the one with the best story. He is causing all these Bugs to disappear along with their stories. Without the life force of these Bugs and the magic in their stories, all the Lands have started to decay. More help is still needed from the Rescuers to repair the damage caused.



Attie: That's right! Thank you once again to Usurpa, Sejorce, and Guardian Xue Yu for this interview. All the best on your quest!

The Rescuers are still crucial in helping to restore Bugtopia, and their mission remains the same: Keep reading to bring our Bugs back!

DON'T STOP NOW!

Many Book Bugs have found their way home, and Bugtopia is on the mend thanks to your perseverance in reading, which has helped tremendously with saving their stories.

However, some Bugs are still missing, and their presence is needed to restore Bugtopia completely. Keep on reading, Rescuers!

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Stories Lost.



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LOOKING FOR A PENPAL?

புதிய பேனா நண்பரை தேடுகிறீர்களா?



I, Usurpa, am the future Queen of Bugtopia. You may find me aloof and cold on the surface, but deep down I am warm, cuddly, and a really good listener, so you can tell me e-v-e-r-y-t-h-i-n-g! What's more, I can even share the juicy insider scoop on Bugtopia (but don't tell the King). Be my penpal and write to me at:

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Selling price: 56 🍎

Melville may be an old schooner but she is swift and reliable. At the right price, you will also get some exclusive maps that I have drawn up from my years of sailing! Interested buyers can find me, Atlan, at the docks of Arialta in Samudera.

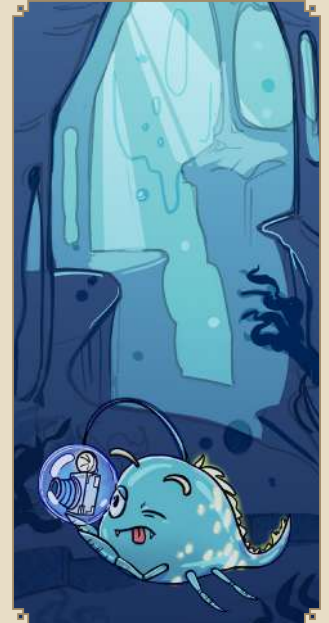
Melville mungkin sebuah skuner tua, tetapi dia boleh belayar laju dan kemampuannya dipercayai. Dengan tawaran harga yang baik, anda juga akan menerima beberapa peta eksklusif yang telah saya hasilkan sepanjang penglibatan saya dalam dunia pelayaran! Pembeli yang berminat boleh berjumpa dengan Atlan di dok Arialta, Samudera.



TRACING OUR ROOTS: BARDO'S HERITAGE TRAIL 寻根之旅: 巴尔多的历史走道

What did Samudera look like decades ago? Follow one of our city's most relentless explorers, Bardo, as he takes you on a ferry trip along some of the Land's oldest monuments. Tours begin every Friday morning at the Crystal Caverns.

萨姆德拉几十年前长什么样？不妨跟随城中最强的探险家巴尔多一同乘坐渡轮，寻访这片土地上的古老遗迹。每周五早上在水晶洞起航，不见不散！



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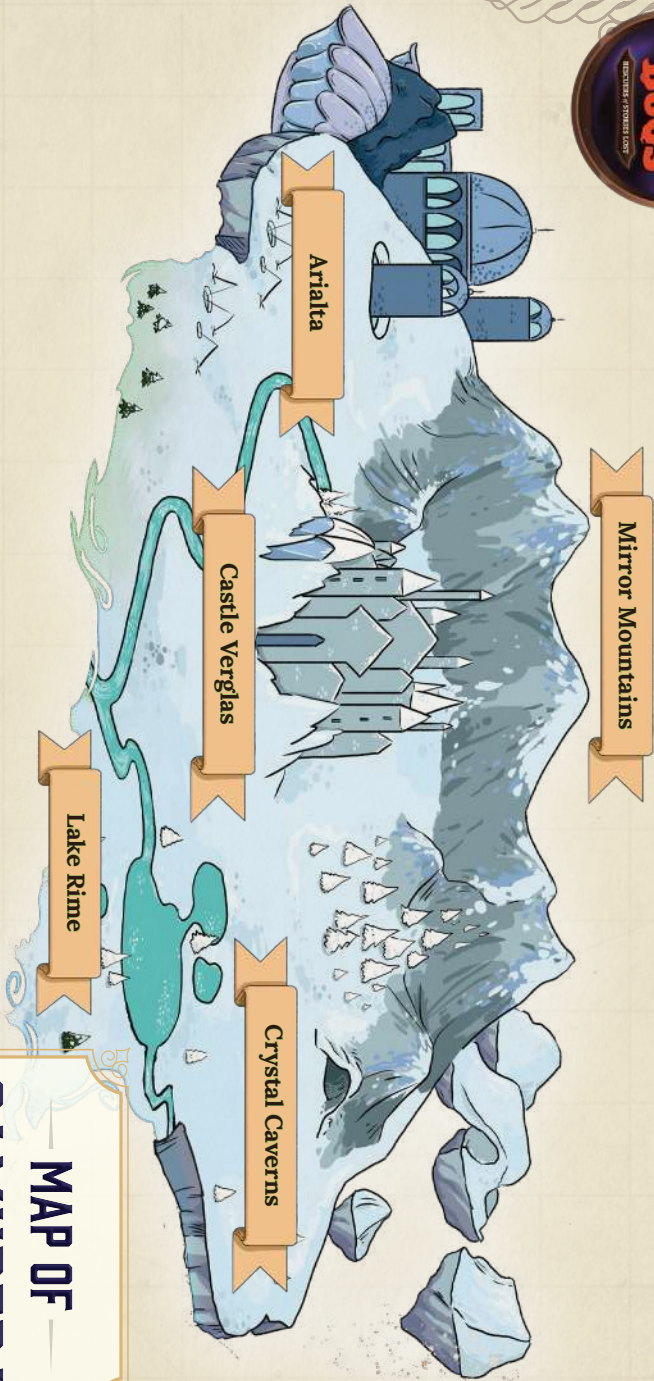
Hyacintho has a heritage that is as endless as the ocean and as timeless as the tides. That is because this Book Bug is based on the Orang Laut, who were skilled mariners and known to be among the earliest inhabitants of Singapore.

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SAMUDERA

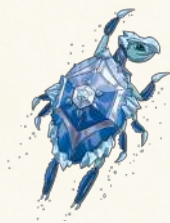
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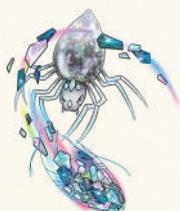
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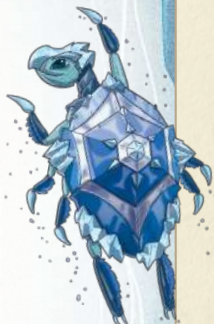


Usurpa

THE BUGTOPIAN BRAINTEASER

Here are some of the words commonly used in chilly Samudera.
Can you find them in the word search puzzle below?

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 S E P U I C K Y E S I I T U
 E R F T A E Z H U X U E Y U
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 Z F R O S T B I T E A L T E



1. Snowflake: A small piece of ice crystal.

2. Hibernate: To spend the winter in an inactive state resembling deep sleep.

3. Iceberg: A large floating mass of ice that has broken off from a glacier.

4. Blizzard: A heavy snowstorm with strong winds and intense cold.

5. Frostbite: Damage to body parts due to prolonged exposure to freezing temperatures.

6. Icicle: A hanging spike of ice formed by the freezing of dripping water.

7. Xue Yu: Guardian Bug of Samudera.

8. Sejorce: A Book Bug known for his heroism.

9. Usurpa: A Book Bug who wants to be Queen of Bugtopia.

10. Arialta: An underwater city off the coast of Samudera.



Answer key:

SAMUDERA – A REALM OF ICE AND ILLUSION

Towering above this snow-covered landscape is Castle Verglas...

...and off the coast, the bustling underwater city of Arialta.

Pranksters and magicians, the Bugs of Samudera are known to disappear from time to time...



How much deeper into the Mirror Mountains are we going?

Oooh, my aching feelers!

...but never so many, or for so long.



Who's that?



It's him! The End Bug!



Oh no! He's getting away!

To be continued...