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Of the Courage of the First Fish That Leaves the Water

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A touching story about overcoming past trauma and forming new friendships against the backdrop of a deliciously spooky forgotten mansion.

Sometimes, Felix feels like an old soul in the body of a 16-year-old. Due to shouldering a lot of responsibility looking after his little sister, he feels like a fish out of water among his peers. So when a group of classmates unexpectedly invites him to join them breaking into a supposedly haunted mansion for social media content, he decides to go along in the hopes of finally making some friends. When things go awry, he suddenly has to deal with the mysterious and unapproachable Lina, a self-proclaimed witch carrying her own bag of secrets. Even though they couldn't be more different, the two form a tentative bond. And yet, they constantly clash on how to deal with their past trauma. Will their friendship prevail? And what's the secret of the mansion – is it truly haunted or is something else at play?



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