**Message in a Bottle**

Choose one of the newly shipwrecked characters on the island and write a rescue message from the point of view of that character. This will be a sort of "message in a bottle" letter from this character detailing his/her experiences on the island and pleading for rescue. Your letter must be **500-750 words** in length. Please **handwrite** your letter. There is no technology on the island (nor in the 1600s).

**Things to keep in mind when writing your letter:**

1. Begin with an introduction of your character. Remember, this is a message in a bottle, so the recipient will have no idea who you are.

2. Consider your character’s background in thinking about your writing style. A more educated/high status character will write more formally than a less educated/lower class character. *Be the character*.

3. Your purposein this letter is to explain your unique situation on this island, and plead for rescue!

4. You do not have to use Shakespearean phrasing, but do pay attention to you word choice and voice as outlined in #2 above.

**Some things you must discuss as the character in your letter:**

*1. How did you end up on this island? What does this island look like?*

*2. Who is with you on the island? (Only include character(s) you have interacted with.)*

*3. Describe a conflict that you have had with another character(s) or with yourself.*

*4. Describe any strange or unusual things that you have seen, heard, or otherwise experienced on this island.*