

Booktalk!

Mermaids to the Rescue #2: Lana Swims North P.A. Announcement Script

For this Book Talk you will need

- 1 actor (Princess Lana)

Lana: (*enthusiastically*) Hi. I'm Lana, and I'm part of an elite group called the Rescue Crew. I LOVE being a Rescue Crew member but (*hesitating momentarily*) SOMETIMES it's hard to stay focused...and there's SO much to learn and remember!

Lana: My classmates are some of the smartest, bravest merkids in the sea. I know I can be a valuable member of the crew but, whenever I get the courage to speak up or help out, I usually embarrass myself. (*pausing*) And most of the time I'm just too nervous to jump in or make suggestions...which is bad.

Lana: Yesterday, the crew and I were called to help out on a very serious mission to save a missing merboy. I spent so much time trying to figure out where he may have gone that, by the time I solved the problem, someone else had already found him! (*sounding concerned*) Worst of all, after the crisis was over and the rest of the crew swam off for the day, Principal Vanora gave me a lecture about thinking too long and not acting quickly enough. Then she told me that, until she sees some improvement, I won't be leading a rescue mission!

Lana: (*glumly*) I'm beginning to think I just don't belong on the crew...even though my best magical seapony partner, Marina, keeps encouraging me and boosting my confidence. And now, there's Spike – a narwhal that we just met who's lost and trying to find his way home. I can't give up on him...can I?

Lana: Will we be able to get Spike back to his family? And will I get the confidence I need to be a true mission leader? Look for *Mermaids to the Rescue #2: Lana Swims North* at your Scholastic Book Fair, and see for yourself.

