Caius and Claire Author Kit

Atlantis and the Accords of the Tides

By Kathryn and Russell Bodeen

An illustrated Atlantis story in two editions. This guide helps parents, teachers, librarians, and booksellers choose a shared reading experience and explore free story samples and activities.



The story

When ships stop entering their harbor, Caius and Claire set out to discover why. A talking axolotl, winged guardians, and magical pearls lead them toward Atlantis and a mermaid queen. Along the way, the friends learn to hear more than one side of a story and ask how people and creatures can care for their shared waters.

Choose an edition

Edition details	Grand Adventure	Mini Adventure
Title	The Grand Adventures of Caius Cor and Claire Shaughnessy	The Mini Adventures of Caius and Claire
Format	Illustrated picture-chapter story with more dialogue, mystery, songs, and Learning Moments	24-page illustrated retelling with shorter sentences and simpler wording
Shared reading fit	Families and curious young readers who want a fuller journey	Younger readers and shorter parent, kindergarten, or library storytimes

Both editions carry the subtitle Atlantis and the Accords of the Tides. Choose by the reader's interests and the amount of story you want to share.

Reading resources and author information

Start with the samples

The Grand preview offers six illustrated opening story pages, plus its title page and a closing invitation. The Mini preview includes its title and copyright pages and the first three illustrated story pages. Neither sample reveals the story's resolution.

Grand preview PDF · Mini preview PDF · Free family activity pack

The activity pack includes coloring pages, a seek-and-find scene, and a bookmark activity. Use it with either edition at home or during a shared reading session.

Conversation starters

- Why can't the ships reach Caius and Claire's town?
- What does Axolotl need to feel safe in his home?
- How could people help the town and the sea at the same time?

Invite children to answer with words, a drawing, or something they notice in the pictures. Choose a few pages or revisit a favorite scene to match your readers' interests and the time you have together.

About Kathryn and Russell Bodeen

Kathryn and Russell Bodeen create The Grand Adventures stories. Reading with their children and visiting school and community libraries inspire their journeys of wonder, unexpected companions, kindness, and courage. They also built a neighborhood Little Free Library where readers can borrow books and leave favorites for others. They hope their stories give families room to laugh, ask questions, and talk about friendship, responsibility, nature, and difficult feelings.

Creative process

The books disclose generative AI use in their text and illustrations. Kathryn and Russell guide the story and creative decisions and revise and review the work shared with readers.

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