

"Let's wait for Hans to bring back the compass."

When Hans brought back the compass, the professor and I could not believe what we saw. It said we were north and not south. That meant the wind took us back to the place where we started.



A Lost World

We were on the north side of the sea again, but not on the same beach as before. For this reason, we began to look around to see what we could find. The professor didn't want us to stay there for long. He wanted to sail on the sea again.

"Professor, it's too dangerous! You saw what happened."

"I don't care, Axel. I did not come all this way to turn back now. We've got to see what's on the other side of that sea."

This beach was longer than the other one. Its rocks had more holes in them, and I thought this was because of earthquakes. There were many more bones and old shells on this beach.

"Look at all of this, Axel! We can read the whole history of the world from these bones."

There were skeletons of animals that are not living today. It was very exciting to see them out in the open and not in a museum.

"Axel, look! A human head!"

There, with all the other bones, was the head of a man. How did it get here? Did it fall down one of those holes like we did? Was that going to happen to us? The professor was excited.

"If other scientists could see me now! This could be the oldest skeleton ever found!"

We walked further down and the beach changed. Now,