Review of Makoona Teen Hairstyles & Trends November 2001

Binti is not your average octopus. A female octopus living on the Makoona coral reef, Binti embarks on a search for a shell that she believes will change her life. A shell, Binti believes, would protect her from the dangers of the reef and enable her to finally communicate with the spirit-fish. With the help of her friends and a Grateful Dead-lyrics-speaking octopus, Binti's search is on. Kemar, a fifteen-year-old boatperson is embarking on a similar search. . . for himself. Fleeing the Khmer Rouge, Kemar fishes the water around the reef and meets a strange octopus and some wonderful friends. The old American mechanic and Vietnam vet teach Kemar about life and friendship. This book, the second in Morano's eco-novel series, is a wild ride into the world of the coral reef introduced by Kathryn Fuller, President of the World Wildlife Fund. *Makoona* is a story about the value of friendship, self-awareness, and the environment. The strong ties of Binti and Kemar teach that whether or not you're human, the bonds of love and friendship are universal.