

# THE MERCENARY SEA



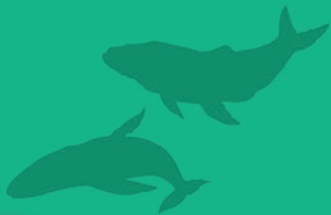
KEL SYMONS  
MATHEW REYNOLDS



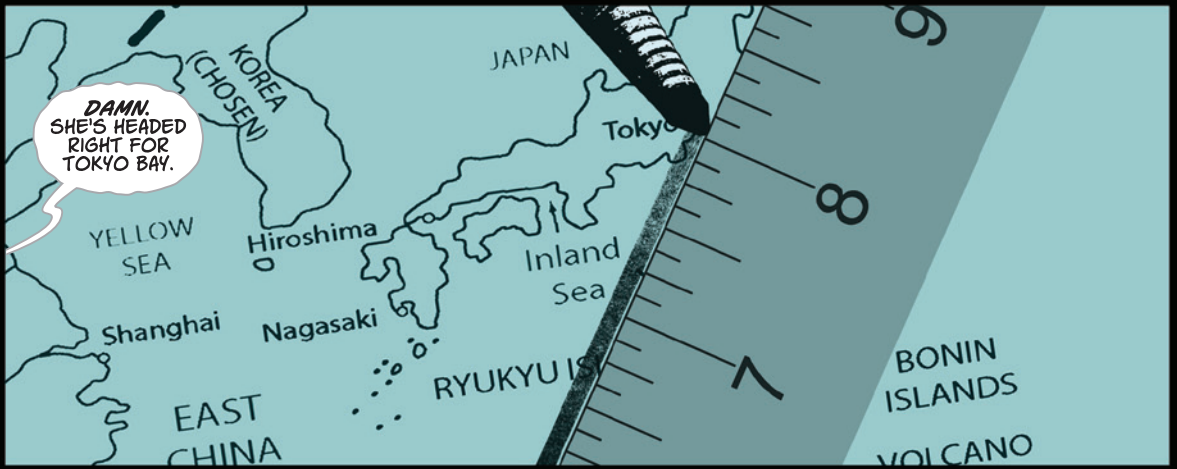
The Mikazuki, Imperial Japanese Navy Mutsuki-class destroyer. Crew complement: 154. Top speed: 37 knots. Armament: Four 120mm cannons. Two 7.7mm machine guns. Two torpedo launchers x 12 Type 8 torpedoes. 32 depth charges.



Venture (formerly the Tiger Shark, of the Republic of China Navy). Modified German Type UB-III submarine. Crew complement: 30 (rigged to operate with 10). Top speed: 19.8 knots (surface); 10.4 knots (submerged). Armament: One 88mm deck cannon (no ammo, only flare shells). One .30 cal machine gun. Four bow torpedo tubes, modified to fire Kriegsmarine G7a torpedoes (3 in stock). One aft torpedo tube (inoperable, modified as cargo space).



And one fiercely loyal, but temperamental dog. Dingo-shepherd mix.



DAMN. SHE'S HEADED RIGHT FOR TOKYO BAY.



WITH HER SPEED AND RANGE, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO KEEP UP MUCH LONGER.

ESPECIALLY NOT SUBMERGED, ON BATTERIES.



JACK WILL THINK OF SOMETHING. HE ALWAYS DOES.

**CHUFF!**

SEE, EVEN FRIDAY AGREES.



HM. I HOPE YOU'RE BOTH RIGHT.



WELL DON'T EVERYBODY LOOK AT ME.



EVELYN CAN WITHSTAND INTERROGATION, BUT EVERYONE HAS THEIR BREAKING POINT.

AND I HEAR THE JAPANESE HAVE ESPECIALLY PERSUASIVE MEASURES.

I GET IT. WE NEED A PLAN TO GET OUT OF HERE. FIRST THING WE HAVE TO DO IS TRY TO--



CLIK!

SEE SKIPPER, NOTHING UP MY SLEEVES...



EXCEPT MAYBE THIS...



QUIET! THE GUARD'S WILL HEAR THAT.

KA-TINK!



ACTUALLY, GRAHAM, I'M COUNTING ON THEM NOT BEING THE ONLY ONES WHO'LL BE LISTENING.

VENTURE'S OUT THERE, SOMEWHERE, LYING LOW. I KNOW IT.

I JUST NEED TO LET THEM KNOW WE'RE HERE.

TAP-TAP...  
TAP-TAP-  
TAP-TAP...  
TAP

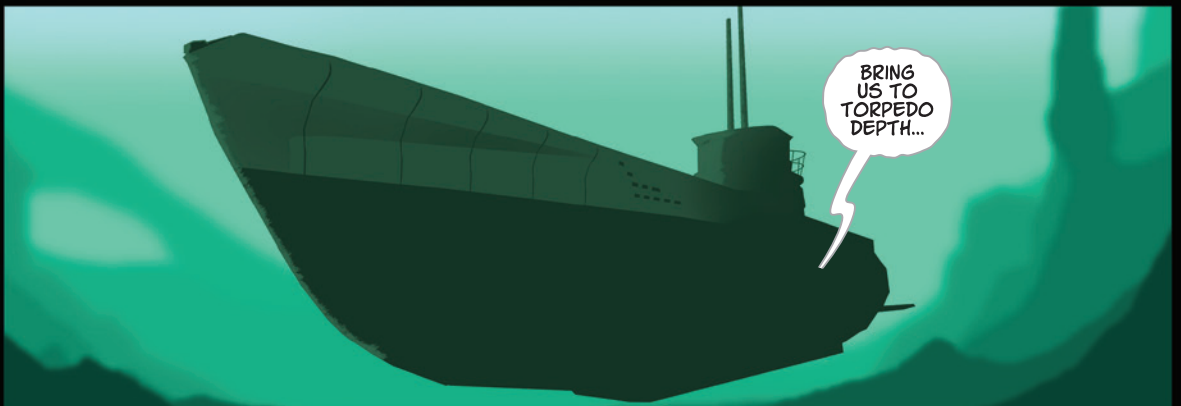
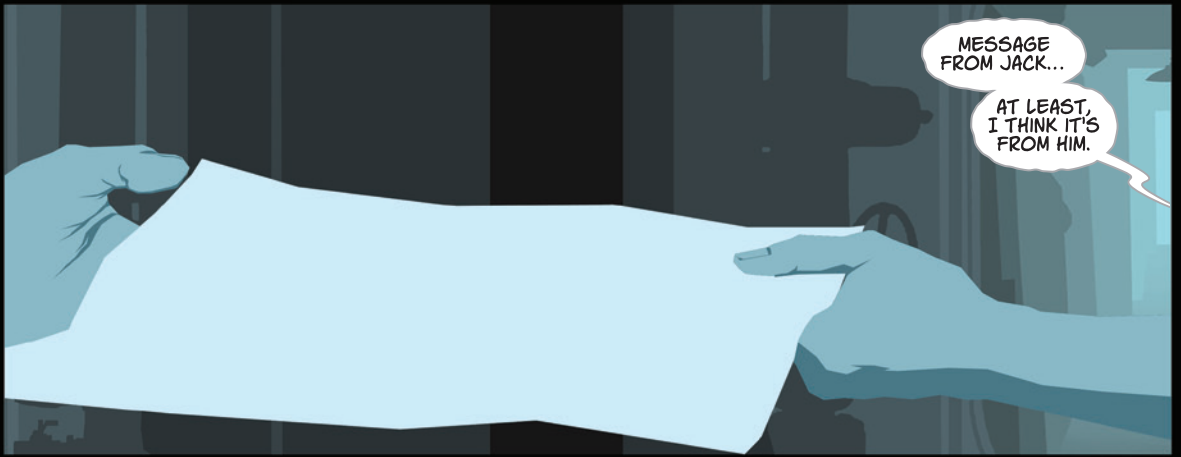


THEN WHAT?



TAP-TAP- TAP...  
TAP... TAP...  
TAP-TAP- TAP.

THAT'S WHERE IT GETS INTERESTING...







LOAD  
TUBES NUMMER  
EINS UND  
ZWEI...

RAAAATCH-  
CLANK!



WHAT?

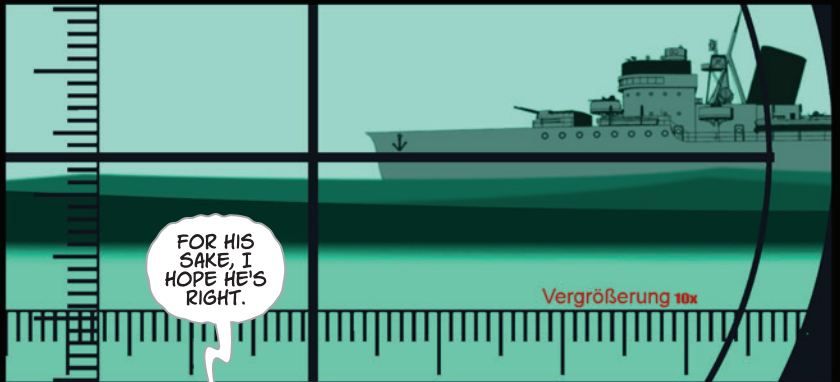
LOAD  
TUBES ONE  
UND TWO.  
ONE UND  
TWO!

WELL  
SPEAK ENGLISH  
THEN, MAN!



CAPTAIN'S  
MESSAGE SAID  
THEY WERE  
BEING HELD IN  
THE BRIG,  
CLOSE TO  
THE BOW.

OR YOU  
CAN ALWAYS  
TRY FRENCH,  
IF YOU'RE  
FEELING  
CIVILIZED.

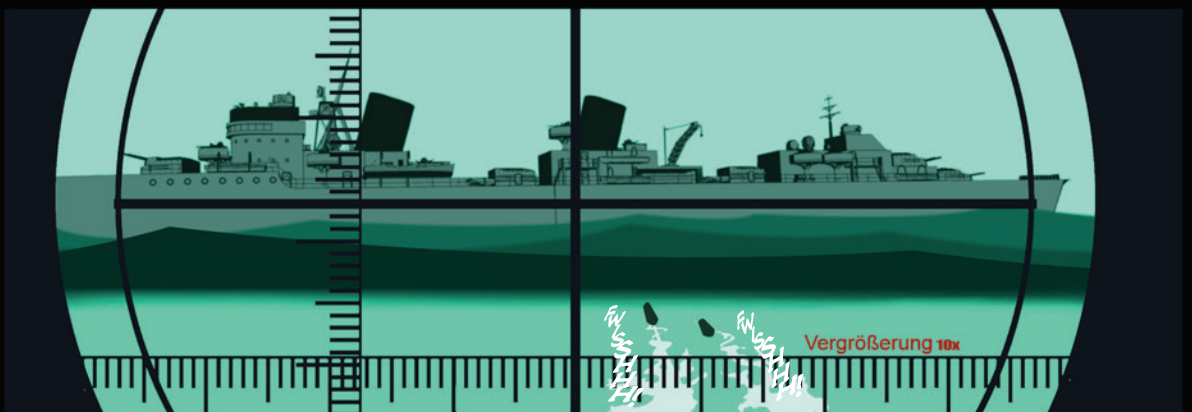
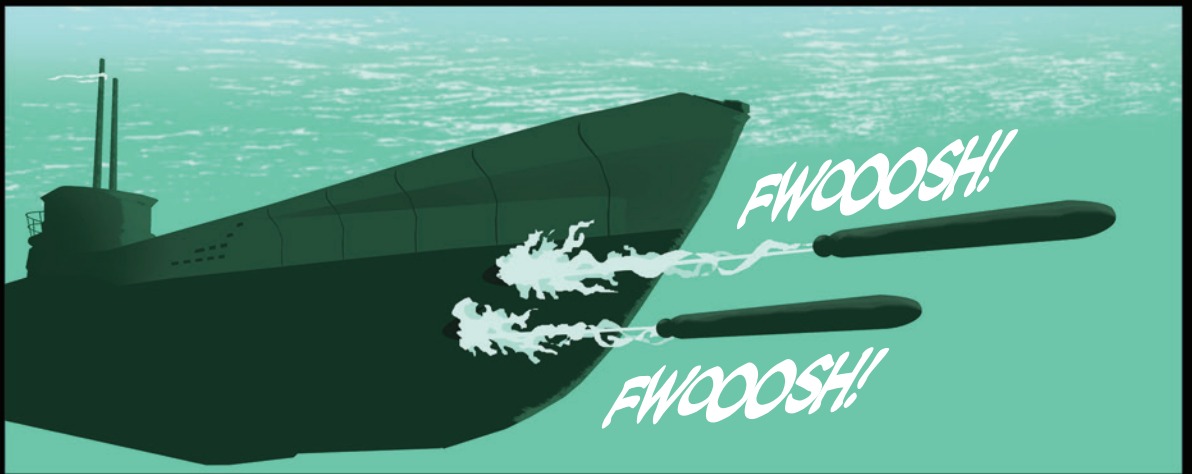
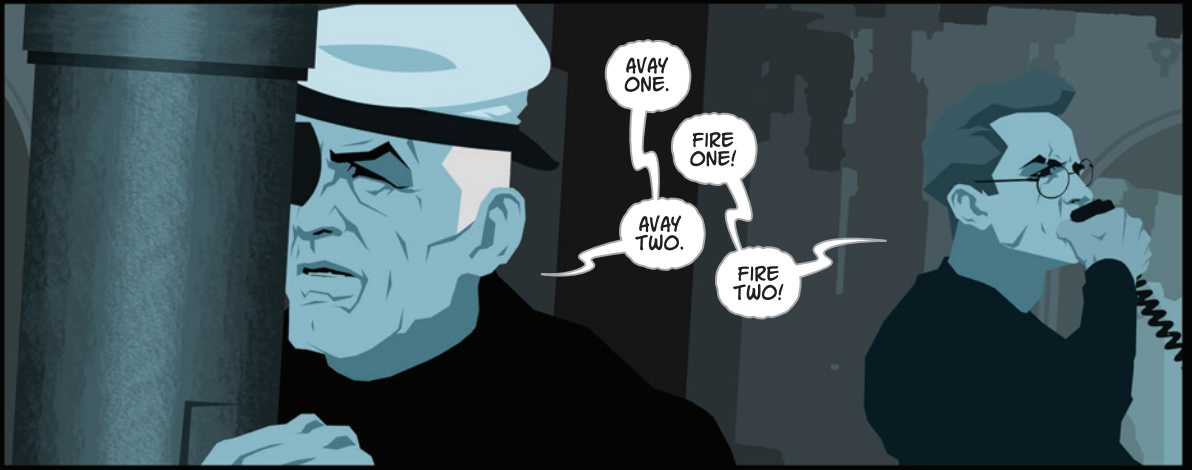


FOR HIS  
SAKE, I  
HOPE HE'S  
RIGHT.

Vergrößerung 10x







KA-BOOM!

