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# The Kraken of Cape Madre

A Mystery for Monster of the Week

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### Concept

The hunters are visiting a popular Spring Break destination where there have been disturbances. The beach is very densely populated... but so is the water.

#### Hook

On the Monday of Spring break, a pretty co-ed gets tossed around in the waves of the beach. No one's quite sure what had her, but whatever it was, was much larger than the area had seen before.

### **Overview**

In this small Gulf Coast town, there are a few dedicated men feeding a local Kraken. Unfortunately sometimes they don't get the ratios right. This Kraken's hold over the men in town is from a parasite that the Kraken can infect men with through its tentacles. The hunter's must find and kill the Kraken to help release it's hold.

### **Background on the Book**

While not necessary - if you would like to play as characters from this book here are specifically suggested Names and Hunter types

Miriam Brooks - The Expert (I've read about this sort of Thing, Precise Strike) Macy Donner - The Mundane (Panic Button, The Power of Heart or Trust Me)

Tanner Brooks - The Wronged (NEVER AGAIN, Beserk)

# Countdown

| Day       | Emma Chu - first victim of the Kraken survives and awakens in the hospital.                                                                                          |
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| Shadows   | Fred Barker "Bark" Kidnaps Emma<br>Chu's roommate, Hannah Huang, and<br>her fling, Justin. Takes them to the<br>Vortex, and dismembers them to feed to<br>the Kraken |
| Sunset    | A leg washes up on shore - Justin's. A tattoo matches the t-shirt one of his roommates was wearing. Bark asks Newt to keep evidence at his property in town.         |
| Dusk      | Detective Wallace goes to speak with<br>Stacy, but she's missing. He finds Newt<br>at his neighboring property cleaning the<br>carpets with bleach and takes him in. |
| Nightfall | A Coast Guard ship is dispatched to the area.                                                                                                                        |
| Midnight  | A massive sea battle between the Coast<br>Guard and the Kraken and Bark.<br>Stacy is onboard Bark's ship.                                                            |

### **Locations in Cape Madre**



The Beach Deathtrap(motivation: to harm intruders)
Where all the hip kids are, it's Spring Break guysssss.

The Marina Crossroads(motivation: to bring people, and things, together)

Here is where the local fishermen's boats are. There is the *Mama Jean* crewed by Newt or *Madre's Mayhem* crewed by Bark. These boats are small ish fishing boats, large enough to hold several people but small enough to be rocked by the Kraken.

### The Hospital Hub(motivation: to reveal information)

If they desire to interview Emma Chu or her parents they will be found here.

# The Police Station Fortress(motivation: to deny entry)

Like most cities this is where the police are headquartered - especially Detective Tommy Wallace.

### The Library Hub(motivation: to reveal information)

The hunters can be the only ones hitting the books this spring break. The librarian is most helpful.

## The Vortex Den(motivation: to harbor monsters)

An extremely deep part of the ocean. This is where the Kraken typically lives, especially when Bark keeps her well fed. Newt will be cautious but willing to take the hunters out to the Vortex if the hunters will pay him well enough. (If the hunters do this, Bark will try and warn them to turn back because the Kraken will turn up)

#### **Monsters**

#### The Kraken

Monster: Beast (motivation: to run wild, destroying and killing)

An ancient creature, living in the depths of a vortex in the gulf of Mexico. This creature also has a parasite that lives within it, spread through contact with it's tentacles. While this only affects male humans, it has already affected people within the town.

#### Powers:

Swimming

Attack: Tentacles 2-harm, far, restraining

Armor: None

Harm Capacity: 13

Weakness: The Land - She's unable to fight on the land.

 Parasitical Control: If a male hunter has had physical contact with the Kraken - They must roll +Weird to see if they can fight the mental control the parasite pushes on them. 10+ the hunter can do what they want. If they fail, the Keeper can choose how they will assist the Kraken.

### **Minions**

### Fred Barker aka Bark

Minion: Thief (motivation: to steal and deliver people to the monster)

A fisherman with his own boat, and plenty of cats. After a run in with the Kraken he fell under Parasitical Control and now he attempts to keep the Kraken fed so it will stay in the Vortex away from people. Unfortunately for him, being a minion doesn't come with any special perks.

### **Newt Goodreaux**

Minion: scout (motivation: to stalk, watch, and report)

A fisherman with his own boat, not that it's much of a boat. After a run in with the Kraken he fell under Parasitical Control and now he's not quite sure what to do other than trolling the sea. He also owns property near Stacy Hampton.

Attack: Harpoon Gun 2-harm, far

Armor: None

Harm Capacity: 7

### **Human Characters**

#### **Emma Chu** - Witness (to reveal information)

A co-ed that lied to her parents about going to spring break with her roommate. She is attacked by the Kraken, but survives. (In the book she is rescued by Miriam Brooks, but you can decide if the hunters come to Cape Madre because of this attack or if they come early to see it happen.)

#### **Hannah Huang -** Victim (to put themselves in danger)

Emma's roommate and eventually a sacrifice to the Kraken.

#### **Justin Close -** Victim (to put themselves in danger)

Hannah's hookup from next door at their cheap motel. Also a sacrifice for the Kraken. He has a tiger tattoo on one leg that eventually washes ashore.

#### **Brady Edwards** - gossip (to pass on rumors)

Eventually reports Justin missing to the authorities. Has a shirt that matches the tattoo on the leg that turns up.

#### **Detective Tommy Wallace - detective (to rule out explanations)**

The detective assigned to Emma Chu's case. His best friend, Joe Hampton, died several months ago from drowning due to control from the Kraken. No one would take him out on a boat so he tried swimming all the way to the Kraken.

#### Janet Smithfield- gossip (to pass on rumors)

Town Librarian. She drops a few clues for the hunters if asked - she can set them onto Joe's death, she can point them to look at the topography of the area (and point towards the vortex), and will point the hunters to the books on a Kraken if asked specifically

#### Joe Hampton - victim (to put themselves in danger)

Previous victim to the Kraken. Would be in a newspaper in the library. Survived an attack that left his leg damaged. It was reported as a shark attack. A month later he drowned trying to swim pass the buoys.

#### **Stacy Hampton - gossip (to pass on rumors)**

Joe's widow, she still is heartbroken and hardly leaves her home. In addition to explaining to the hunters what happened to her husband, her home is near a property Newt Goodreaux owns.