

## Lizzie the Lizard

My name is Lizzie the lizard and I live on the bank of the Murray River. Every day I go near the water and play with my friend Gabi the Gecko. We see who can get closest to the water without falling in. It is so fun. One day we got a bit carried away..... well I'll tell you, it was like this.

One day we were playing our fun game near the river and well, we were having so much fun we didn't realize that the water was getting higher and moving further up the bank. The next thing I knew I was witnessing the scariest moment of my life. Gabi the Gecko was getting swallowed up by the river! I dived in after her, the whirling current of the river was strong but I was pushing with all my might. I thought that all was lost. But I heard a faint cry. I screamed

"Gabi is that you!"

I heard another faint cry,

"Yes it's me!"

How strange, I thought, it was coming from near the bank. I couldn't believe it! It was Gabi Gecko! I couldn't describe how relieved I was! I swam and swam until I was close to the bank. I rushed to the bank and ran up to Gabi. We jumped for joy and hugged. We agreed that we would NEVER EVER play that game again!

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