

Chapter 2

Breaking News

The next day Sasha woke up and went into the kitchen. Her mum and brother were sitting at the table looking shocked, with their eyes fixed on the TV.

“What’s wrong?” asked Sasha.

“Shh!” went David. “We are trying to listen.”

“We repeat, there will be an immediate evacuation of these areas of London,” said the news reporter.

Sasha could see a map on the screen with areas marked in red. One of the areas was where they lived.

The news reporter went on, “The government has called a state of emergency and people living in these areas will be helped in the evacuation. We repeat stay indoors and avoid the rats at all costs.”

“Rats?” asked Sasha. “What rats?”

“Have you not looked outside?” asked David.

