

SCENE #1

Context: Toby, a young boy, is trying to find a way off the island and back home to Auckland. He doesn't want to stay for his mother's wedding to Robert.

EXT. BEACH (RESORT) - SUNSET

Toby sits on the beach kicking sand with his feet. Robert approaches and sits down beside him. Toby shuffles away keeping his distance. Robert stares out at the sunset.

ROBERT

Gorgeous, isn't it?

Toby says nothing, his head between his knees facing down at the sand.

TOBY

Go away!

ROBERT

Can you keep a surprise?

Toby doesn't reply. Robert reaches into his pocket and pulls out a small velvet covered box and opens it. Inside are two gold rings.

ROBERT

I was going to surprise your mother and show her tonight, but I've got a better idea. I want you to be in charge of the rings.

Toby is surprised.

TOBY

Me?

Robert nods.

ROBERT

I know you'll take good
care of them.

Robert hands him the open box. Toby stares at the
rings.

ROBERT

I know we haven't spent
much time together with me
travelling for work, but
that's going to change.
Once we get back home I'm
selling my house and moving
in with you both. We'll
have a lot more time to get
to know each other.

Toby jumps up. His face grows angrier.

TOBY

I don't want you to move
in! We don't need you!

He throws the box down in the sand. Robert picks up the box and
watches reluctantly as Toby runs back towards the resort.

Scene #2

Context: Toby has stolen the wedding rings in an attempt to sell them and pay for a flight back home. He ran away in the middle of the night and finds himself on a remote beach. His mother, the police, and Robert have split up to find him.

EXT. REMOTE BEACH - LATER

Robert runs down to the beach and looks in both directions. He spots Toby some distance away.

ROBERT

Toby!

Toby shoves the velvet box in his pocket and runs away. After a few yards he stops. He turns and sheepishly looks at Hahona who doesn't look at him. He has returned to fixing his net.

Robert runs up to Toby.

ROBERT

We've been looking for you
everywhere!

Toby reluctantly takes the box from his pocket and offers it to Robert.

TOBY

Here.

Robert kneels down and peers at the box for a moment before placing his hand on Toby's shoulder.

ROBERT

Toby...your father...I
don't want to replace him.
I never can--

AMY

(shouts)
Toby!

Robert and Toby turn. Amy is running down the beach with Rawiri and the policemen.