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HURRICANE CARLA!

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The hurricane of the century roars from the Gulf of Mexico into eastern Texas and Louisiana, but finds itself robbed of hundreds -- perhaps thousands of its victims. Well before she strikes, a half a million people are forewarned of her ferocity and get out of her way. From Cameron, Louisiana, where five hundred and ninety were killed by 1957's Hurricane Audrey, to Corpus Christie, towns are evacuated in the most massive exodus in American history. Small livestock can be removed quickly by truck, and so can some cattle. But the loss of stock will be tragic and costly, for it is a frustrating task to get large herds away in haste. The Red Cross opens hundreds of feeding and shelter centers to care for the mounting streams of refugees. There is no panic; families are together in auditoriums, churches, schools and even in jails in the safer regions of Texas and Louisiana. Then, with hundred-and-seventy-three-mile-an-hour winds and eleven-foot tides, Carla strikes. As one of three hurricanes blowing at once, she is a meteorological freak.....an awesome and terrible giant from the sea.