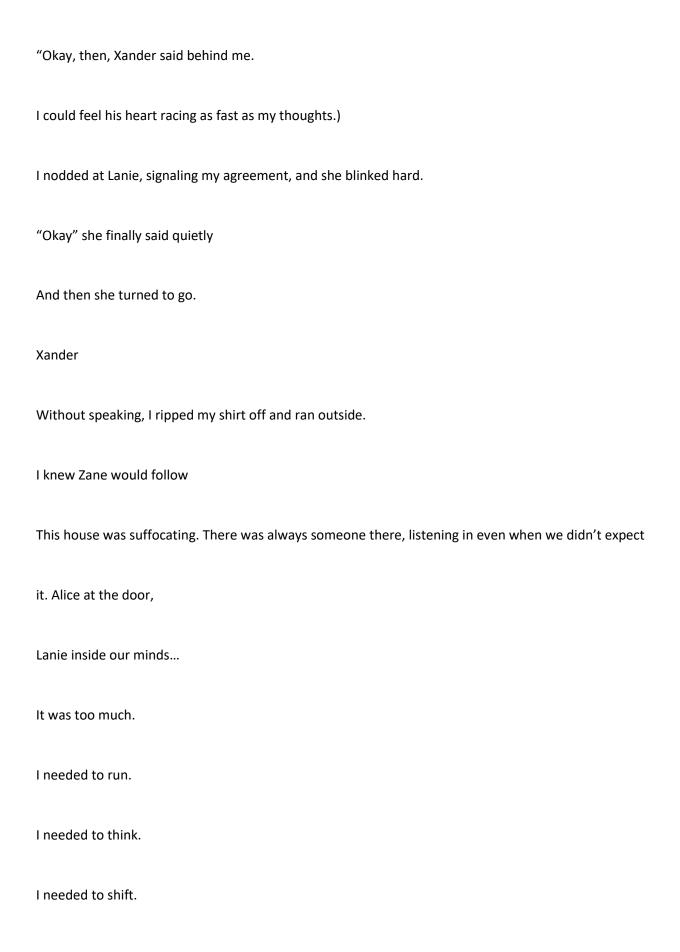
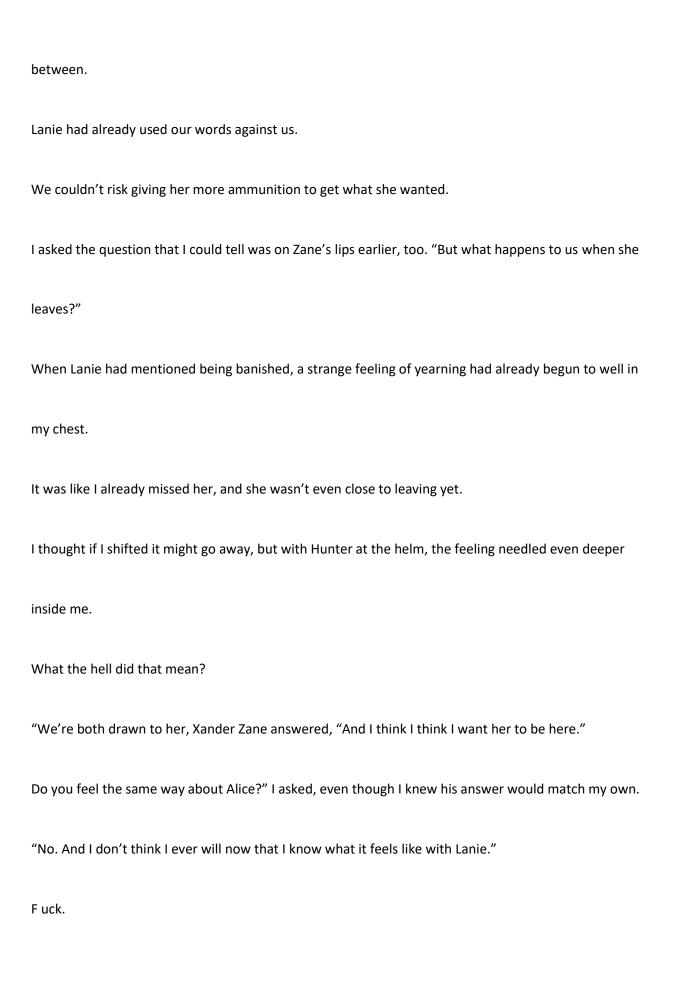
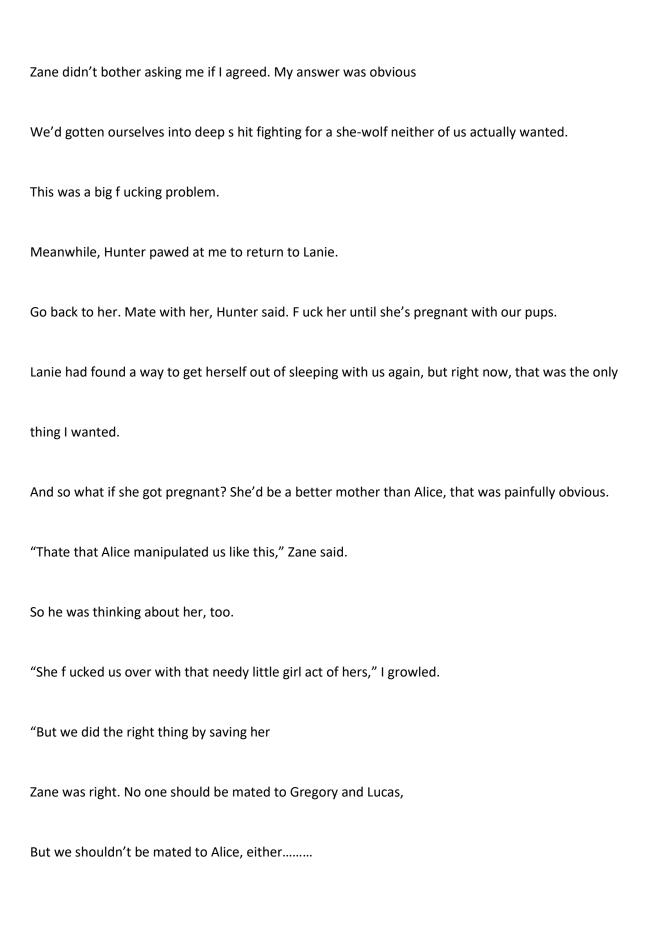
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Zane
Banish her forever?
A sick feeling crept up from the pit of my stomach and settled heavily in my chest.
Was that really what I wanted? For Lanie to leave?
I didn't speak and neither did Xander. I could sense his unease, too
"I promise I'll never come back if that's what you're worried about," Lanie said, confusing our hesitancy
for mistrust disappear into the ether, like a vampire or witch or something."
I could tell she thought she was reassuring us, but based on the tension that still hung in the air, it was
having the opposite
effect.
She looked closely at Xander and me, almost studying us, like she was waiting for some specific sign
or answer,



My wolf Hunter broke free as soon as I crossed the threshold of the mansion, and I transformed right
there, the rest of my
clothes ripping to shreds as I fell onto all fours.
I sprinted into the woods behind the mansion, not looking back.
The cool breeze ruffled my rich, black fur, carrying away the chaos and confusion of the last twenty
minutes with it.
I could finally think clearly again.
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I heard another set of paws padding behind
alongside me.
Finally, we could speak again as wolves.
But for a brief time, we just ran and ran.
"Lanie's plan would actually work," I finally communicated to Zane, breaking the silence.
Now that we had two mates, moments like this where we could talk openly would be fewer and farther





We needed to be careful how we dealt with her. She'd never turned her wrath on us before, but I knew
she had a jealous
streak, and who knew what she'd do if she found out we didn't want her like we wanted Lanie.
I stopped running, my paws skidding across the forest floor.
Zane's wolf stopped too, and we locked eyes.
We both knew what we had to do.
"We have to get rid of Alice," I told Zane. "And make Lanie our true mate."