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As I stare at my mate, a sense of nostalgia engulfs me. We have been in this position so many times that I thought it would be enough for a lifetime. Jace's watery eyes softly stare at me. His unevenly beating heart is full of different emotions and I can't help but feel pity. I want to hate him for not trying hard enough but my heart can't even dream of doing that.

I love him so much to blame him for a mistake that was not his intention.

"Come" I stretch my right hand to him and my mate quickly stumbles to me. Jace falls to his knees in front of me and wordlessly buries his face into my lap.

I tightly hold his head when his body starts to shake and I hate that he is hurting.

"I didn't mean it. I know I should have done something but I chose to fail you once again" he cries holding me tighter as if I will disappear on him if he isn't careful enough.

"Stop" I murmur, gently running my fingers through his hair. There was a time when I had

my doubts about Jace. But he showed me how sincere he is and it would be unfair if I pushed him away at his lowest.

"It was not your fault, babe. If anything, I am happy you came back to me" I sincerely mumble, pressing a soft kiss on his head.

"Ana no, how can you not be mad? Please, hit me, yell at me, because I don't deserve your kindness. I broke your heart again even after promising not to do again" My heart bleeds when I stare into my mate's red eyes, and his breaking voice makes it worse. I feel what he is feeling and it's nothing good. Jace is broken.

"I know what you will do to make me feel better" I whisper, using my thumbs to clear the water from his eyes. There are a lot of things that will help him retain his composure. I want the sad mood gone for a while. What matters is that he is okay and back to us. Hopefully, there are no more thirsty she-wolves after him.

"Anything, baby. I will do anything to earn your forgiveness" Jace frantically nods and I slightly smile as I peck him on the lips.

"Train me" I know my dad thought that I didn't need training but I do. I can't only depend on my wolf because when she is not here, I will become a laughing stock of a shi tty queen. I need to learn all the tactics there is in fighting and one able to handle a fight in both forms.

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"What?" My mate's voice quivers in shock and I laugh. What was he expecting me to say?

"You are the strongest wolf I know Jace. I love you so much and I trust you too. Please train me" I repeat my plea and my mate sighs returning his head to my lap.

"Baby, you don't have to. You know I can protect you" His muf fled voice whispers. I return my fingers in his hair and he sighs and inhales deeply afterwards. His emotions are eventually calming down and I am glad I didn't give him a hard time. are eventually calming down a

"No Jace, you are the reason I never trained and with everything that we have been through, I believe you agree with me that I need to get on the training ground and learn how to defend myself and anyone else. Very soon I will have a huge responsibility and I can't fail the kingdom. Many wolves lost their lives and that of their loved ones. We can't allow it to happen again" My voice takes a serious tone, causing confusion to appear on my mate's face.

"What do you mean?" Jace looks up at me with deeply furrowed brows.

"My dad is about to retire. You know that right? And now that he got his second mate, I know he would want to get away for a while. We are succeeding him and I hope you know leaders aren't meant to be weak" I explain without mentioning that my

dad no

longer trusts my mate.

If Jace finds out about my dad's plan, he will feel more dejected than he is

feeling right now. It's all the same anyway. When I am queen, my mate will automatically be king. It doesn't matter which bloodline he came from. It's only that unlike before, Jace won't be Noah's heir.

"Okay, I will. Can I please hold you?" Jace begs and I nod without hesitation. My mate gets up and instantly lifts me from the couch, keeping me close.

Jace walks us to the bed and when we lay down, he gently positions his head on my chest and shuts his eyes.

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I know Ana. Ever since we were kids, Ana would always act strong, especially when I was lown. She never liked seeing me hurt and my mate would do everything to make sure I lidn't feel that way, even when she had to hide her own hurt.

That is what Ana is doing right now. She still has her emotions locked away which neans she doesn't want me to feel them. I can't reach her wolf either and mine is lawing at me to reach her.

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Another weird thing, Ana is willing to train which is something she used to hate. This can only mean that my mate no longer has faith in me. Who would, when I kept failing them?

She had said she would take care of our family while I handled the throne. But her wanting to go to the training field only indicates that the King no longer thinks I am capable enough of succeeding him. No wonder he was cold to me earlier.

It doesn't matter anyway, as long as I keep holding my mate like this for the rest of my life.

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"Harder, Jace" I pant out, bracing myself for the next blow. However, my

mate delivers a weak punch like he has been doing for the last hour. "Seriously, babe?" I glare, tiredly slumping on the floor and he gives me an apologetic look.

"Ana, I am sorry, but I hate hurting you" My mate whispers, as he approaches me with a bottle of water. Jace kneels in front of me and gently wipes the sweat on my face. He is behaving as if this is some cruel punishment he is forced to deliver to me. Is it so hard to just assume I am one of the wolves he used to train in our previous pack?

The so-called training started yesterday and nothing has changed. I just realized he is not the right person to train me. I take a small sip from the water when he places the bottle on my lips. I am not even thirsty. How would I be when I haven't done anything strenuous?

"I understand, baby" I sigh, tracing his jaw with my index finger. I don't miss how his body slightly trembles due to my soft touch. It's amazing how easily I affect him and I love it. "How about I ask the king's beta's son to train me? What was his name again?" I pretend to think and chuckle when the soft look in his eyes suddenly disappears as my mate releases a loud warning growl.

"No chance in hell. Only I will train you and no one else" My mate grabs the back of my head and I marvel at how easily he loses control just at the mention of another male wolf coming close to me. "You understand that Ana? No one is touching my mate" Jace whispers as his eyes flash black before becoming normal again.

"Then quit doing a sh it ty job and get the job done" I challenge staring into his darkening eyes. His breaths are ragged and the energy oozing from him causes my body to tingle all over.

Jace is hot. And the mate bond makes everything intense and worse. My mind starts to wander in dark places when my mate's hungry eyes drop to my lips. His touch suddenly becomes hot and when Jace starts leaning forward, my breathing hitches as I wait for the long-awaited contact. My mate takes his time to admire my face. His hold on me loosens and his thumb starts to rub delicate circles on my neck as it slowly inches towards

the mark he gave me. "You know I love you right?" Jace whispers, softly glancing into my eyes. I know that. I can never mistake the loving look in his eyes.

"I am not perfect baby, but never second guess what I feel for you, Ana. It doesn't matter

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how deep the dark world swallows me, because I will always find my way to you. No matter what happens to me, I want you to know that my heart still sk ips when I see you. Promise me one thing" Jace whispers bringing me close to his face. There is completely no space between us. I can feel his heavy and quick breath on my face and it's making me yearn for his addictive touch.

"What?" I whisper back, almost in a trance.

"Promise you will never give up on me, baby. You are the only person I can't lose in this life. Promise"

"You know I will never Jace, I love you so much" I sincerely mumble and my mate sighs. offering me a slight smile which I return.

"Can I please kiss you?" Jace asks and I nervously nod.

We haven't done anything since he recovered and everything has been tense between us. However, the universe proves to be against us when our little boy barges into the training room and his eyes immediately find mine. "Mommy" Liam rushes to us and when he sees his dad's hands on me, I don't know what crosses his mind because he scowls at Jace and starts to push him away. Way to ruin a moment Liam.

"Let go" Our son frowns and we both chuckle separating from each other. As if that is not enough, Liam lunges at his father in a fight in the name of protecting his mommy. I longingly stare at the laughing souls brawling on the floor and my heart swells with immense joy.

They all are my life.

"Mommy, did you see?" My son happily exclaims when Jace allows him to pin him on the floor. "I am stronger than Daddy" Liam happily giggles, as his eyes sparkle with pride. He will be a proud man.

"Yes, baby. You are the strongest boy I have ever met" I coo, picking him up mate's body.

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"Are you two ganging up on me?" Jace playfully acts hurt and I wink at him and curiously look back at my son. I told my dad to watch him and he wouldn't be down here without a reason.

"Are you hungry? What did Grandpa say?" Liam's happy movements instantly stop as he only stares at me with innocent eyes. I guess this only means he forgot.

'Do you need anything, 'dad?' I try mind linking Noah but it doesn't go through. I will just manually look for him.

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"I will be back Jace, let me just take Liam back to my dad" I face my mate and he nods kissing Liam's cheek.

"Put this on" Jace hands me his shirt and I laugh, reluctantly putting it on. I am in the workout clothes which are quite revealing for Jace's preference. The first place I decide to look for my dad is his study. When I miss him there, I figure he would be in his room so I just walk there with my little boy in my hold.

I should have knocked or just minded my own business because the sight I walk into, will forever bruise my mind.

A shirtless Noah is pinning a naked woman on the wall and the room is filled with a gross scent of their arousal.

Fuck.

I quickly shut the door and run with my confused boy back to his room. Goddess! I should be careful now that he is mated. I need to avoid his room and office

at all costs.

However, Liam's door opens and a disheveled Noah slowly walks. Unlike earlier, he is dressed and I sigh in relief and silently watch him. Should I apologize for ruining his

moment?

"Baby, I am sorry..I.." Noah breaks the chain of my thoughts when he talks first.

"No. I should have knocked, Dad. It won't happen again" I quickly cut him short and he sighs sitting beside Liam and me.

"I am conflicted. A part of me wants to reject her and another part wants me to give this a shot. Maya never wanted me because, to her, I was not worthy. Thank you for showing up to stop us. I need time to observe her and I will only acknowledge her as my mate when you take over the throne, to avoid another power-hungry woman trying to disrupt the peaceful kingdom"

"Is that how you see me?" The woman my dad was with walks through the door and we share worried glances with Noah.

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"Is that what you think of me? I thought we were on the same page, Noah. I might have been quite pushy but you had the right to say no, instead of talking sh it behind my back" The woman angrily yells but the hurt and pain in his eyes don't go unnoticed.

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"Watch your language in front of my kids" Dad strictly reprimands and I figure it's time

gave them their privacy. So, picking up my son once again, I quickly exit the room and tune out the loud voices behind me.

Lucky for me, I have two fathers so after leaving Liam in Alpha Edward's care, I rush back to the training room.

Who could have thought I would find my mate training with Leo? Unlike with me, Jace is relentless. He is hitting his brother as if Leo is a da mn punching bag. Why can't he be this way with me? It's not like I am a

delicate doll that is going to break if he hits harder.

"Urgh" Leo groans when his body hits the ground and I chuckle taking his place. My mate hesitates but when I remind him of someone else training me through the mind link, Jace becomes serious and resumes the hard punches and kicks like he did with Leo.

"Wow! I underestimated you" My mate mumbles placing a delicate kiss on my head. "You did so well" Jace gently smiles as he adorably stares down at me. We've been at it and I gave it my all. Blocking every punch and kick and sending him mine as hard as I could. I must say, it's not as boring as I thought.

"Told you" I try pushing his sweaty body from mine but he tightens his grip around me." So, will I get a reward or something?" I suggestively whisper and he chuckles, rubbing his nose with mine.

"You just have to ask politely and I will deliver" My mate smirks and I can feel myself blushing like crazy.

"Do you have to flirt in my presence?" The forgotten person in the room reminds us of his presence but my mate doesn't move an inch. I don't know if they made up but I can tell Jace is still not Leo's fan at all.

"I didn't realize you were still here Leonardo," Jace says without averting his attention from my face.

"You don't have to be rude you know" Leo mumbles and my mate snorts as if it should be obvious he doesn't like his brother.

"I just don't like you" Jace rudely whispers, and I decide to chime in.

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"I will take you. Give me your all" I hastly move from my mate's arms surprising both of them. Leo must be desperate to be here and I can tell he is trying to amend his ways. We both need training so why not spar with him?

"No, Ana. You are not going close to him" Jace snaps and I sigh shaking my head. He is now overreacting. "I will do it" He pushes me behind him and takes my place. "Okay, Alpha" I mumble, slowly exiting the room. If they want to kill each other they can go ahead.

"So, how did it go?" I ask my dad at the breakfast table. I didn't realize how hungry I was until the aroma of sweet coffee hit my nostrils. It's also because of the much-used energy I have used in that room.

"She left" Noah nonchalantly answers and I pause the toast on my lips which I was just about to munch on.

"I think you are being hard on her for nothing. She is not mum, dad. And the fact that Goddess chose her for you means she is worthy. Don't be one of those who betray the mate bond like that. It hurts Dad" I disapprovingly whisper because I wouldn't want anyone to experience that.

"You think I don't know that? The woman I loved for years stabbed me in the back and left me for the dead. So I am sorry if choose to guard my heart and don't end up half dead in an abandoned stinky cell" Noah angrily grits out and I look away feeling guilty. I almost forgot my mother betrayed him too.

"Let's just have breakfast, Dad. You know I will support your every decision right? I will always be on your side" I reach for his fisted hand on the table and ease the pressure. He knows better and I should just mind my own business rather than try to tell him what to do and what not to do. When he calms down, I offer a small smile which he returns with a sigh. The breakfast is eaten in silence. Despite all the people living in his house, Noah only makes food for three people. Himself, Liam, and I. I wonder when he will start favoring my mate again.

"I signed you up in the royal school. You will learn what you need to know there. From how to be a leader to fighting skills" Dad breaks the silence and I nod before remembering my mate.

"Can Jace come?"

"Sure, he can

"Leo and his dad. What is the verdict?" He hasn't given me an answer since I talked to

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"There is one thing you don't know about me, honey. I don't forgive. Each time I see those people in my house, the urge to strangle them overwhelms me. I am only keeping them here because they are your mate's family. When the old wolf is completely healed, I want them out of my pack. They can choose any other pack they want as long they are not sharing the same air I am breathing" The previous unclenched fist tightly clenches again and Noah noisily slams his fork on the table.

It appears as if my conversation this morning is not in his favor. I would be mad too. If someone challenged me for the throne and took my mate for themselves. I completely understand Dad's sour mood towards Andrew. He took mum from him and together they faked her death. All the time my dad had been mourning for his dead mate, she was happily enjoying life with her lover.

Then when he finds out that she is alive, they stab him in the back and plot his death. Andrew might have a good heart but my father will always consider him as the man who replaced him.

"I will let them know" I whisper, slowly placing my fork on the table. I think he needs time for himself. "I will go check on Liam"

"Baby, I am sorry" Noah quickly takes my hand and deeply sighs. "I am sorry for shouting at you. You are the last person I want to upset Gia, I didn't mean to yell, Okay?"

"Trust me, I know. I think you need a long run to ease the pent-up anger" I chuckle improving the mood and he follows suit.

"You are right, I will be out for a while" Noah kisses my head and takes the back door