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Chapter 2031 The Beasts Respect (Part 2)

The question seemed somewhat out of the blue for Quinn, because he hadn't realised how strange everything was himself until that moment. He thought at first that maybe the beast just was like a parrot, repeating the words that it had heard before. Or a message that was sent by another beast. In the past, he had seen beasts working together and even helping humans if the circumstance was right.

Whatever answer they ended up giving the creature, it just wouldn't reply, and if the owl had stayed longer or tried to attack the others, Quinn had decided he would just have to try to act in a way where the others were unable to see him. With his shadow powers, he could sneak outside, and, possibly with the gun, kill the demon tier beast with a few shots, where things wouldn't look so suspicious.

The annoying thing was, that Quinn had no way to fully gauge his strength. Since his shadow upgraded, and he had become a god slayer, there were no extremely dangerous enemies for him to use the full extent of his powers on, not that it was a bad thing.

Yet, now that Nell had asked this question, he was putting things together a little bit in his mind. The beasts were certainly acting strange.

'The beasts, they weren't attacking me at the time. I didn't tell them not to attack me, I only told them to go away when they were harming Ronkin.' Quinn thought.

'Then what did that owl mean if it was speaking to me? Why did I come here? Does that even matter.'

In the end, Quinn couldn't quite figure it out, and the best way to resolve it, knowing what had happened, was to speak to the beasts themselves.

'The most likely case is that the mission is aborted, maybe I should come back and visit the beasts myself afterwards.' Quinn thought.

Nell had been waiting for an answer and since Quinn hadn't answered in a while, Ronkin was now looking at him as well. Putting the same things together as Nell was.

"Please." Quinn replied. "Do you really think a vampire like me would have the attention of beasts? I'm just a guard like you guys."

The answer had satisfied Ronkin, after all he had known Quinn for a while and he had just been a guard and nothing else. There were a few strange things now and then, but that could all easily be put down to luck.

Nell wasn't so convinced though, the skills he had seen Quinn display at the time of the fighting tournament. It was most likely because was much more than a simple guard, but the question was what and why.

Whatever situation Nell could think of, nothing seemed to fit. If Quinn was a powerful vampire, the leaders, or somone would have recognised him.

"Okay, everyone I have an important message for you all." Anton declared to the vampires. Their nervous energy from meeting the beast had disappeared and they were nearly back in the top shape they were in before.

"I have decided that we will head back to the settlement." Anton stated.

Immediately there were a few groans here and there. Vampires were quite prideful and not being able to complete this would be a knock on their record, and to them as a person.

"The beast, the reader indicated that it was at the Demon tier level." Anton went to explain. "In the report, the last group had never ran into such a beast, not one at that level. Which means there might be even bigger dangers than the owl that we met.

"I have already passed on the message, and the settlement has asked for the other groups to return as well."

This was the expected result, and Quinn didn't mind too much because now it meant he could be with Minny and his family, although there was one strange thing.

Did the leaders really not know about the situation? Edvard, stated that there was a danger to the whole vampire settlement and if there were a few demon tier beasts, that certainly would be a danger. It would make sense why Quinn of all people was sent along.

An entire day had already passed since the group had rested in the large tree and waited for a decision from the others. One of the vampires that were on guard duty had also been killed, bringing the group down to nine plus three, including the guards.

Exiting from the tree, Anton walked out in front, following the way they had arrived from, and at the same time there was another vampire by his side with a type of reader hovering over the scenery to check if there were any beasts in the area.

However, it became quite apparent that something was wrong.

"Are we going the right way?" Stin asked.

It was the question on everyone's mind, including Anton.

"We should have already reached the area where we were attacked last time, but I don't recognize anything, and I can't even smell blood."

Regardless, the group continued to head in the direction which they believed the settlement was in, and in the end they all soon saw something that they recognised, the large giant tree.

"Sh*t!" Stin shouted and the vampires started to talk among themselves, second guessing whether they should have turned here or there. Before moving any further, the group decided to have a discussion with each other about what they should do next.

"What do you think this is about?" Ronkin asked.

"I... don't know." Nell repleid. "Maybe that beast had infected us all with something, or this entire part of the land is shifting as we move, but I think we would hear or sense it if that was to happen."

In the end, both of them looked at Quinn as if he would have the answer.

Placing his hand on his face, Quinn seemed incredibly frustrated.

"I just... want to go home and see my family." Quinn complained.

The group had decided to head off again, and instead of just Anton leading the way, at each point where there was a turn in the path, the group would have a vote about which way to go. What was worrying, was the fact that the vampires were finding it hard to decide as a group, which way was the correct way, and in the end they had to go with the majority vote as they chose their left and right turns.

Once again though, they had ended up back at the big tree again.

"I told you guys, you should have agreed with me to turn left at the strange vine place!" Stin shouted.

"You think your opinion is more important than the rest of the group or something? Why don't you lead the way, I bet we will still end up at this damned tree, it's obvious that something is going on!" Another vampire yelled.

Anton could see the infighting continuing between the vampires, but they needed a solution. Otherwise before hunger or any of the other sort kicked in, the vampires were going to end up killing themselves.

"Hey, Quinn I have an idea, why don't you lead us?" Ronkin asked. "I mean you're a pretty lucky guy right? I bet if you chose the path we would end up out of here."

"You think the hunting group would allow such a thing?" Nell stated. "Maybe after we have stayed here a few days, then they will be open to more options, but for now if Quinn says he can get us out of here and he fails, then they would be after his head."

Shaking his head, Quinn was honeslty considering it. If this group of vampires didn't figure out a way out of this forest soon, his patience would run thin and he would have to do something himself.

The only thing was, if Nell was right, and the beasts wanted to talk to Quinn, that was probabaly exactly what they wanted.

Chapter 2032 A Popular Father

The two girls had agreed to let Tobi hang out with them, and that was pretty much what they were doing out at the moment. Minny was practically ordering him around, asking him to get their food for them at lunch and when they were on the playground, she would ask for him to draw the hopscotch on the ground for them.

Minny did also let Tobi play with them, which he did and found it quite fun due to the rules that Minny had implemented. Regular hopscotch would have been far too easy.

So numbers were called out quite quickly in succession and the vampires had to move quite fast over the numbers. They also played it twice as long, allowing them to go over the numbers at an incredibly fast speed.

While playing Tobi was having more fun then he would have liked to admit, and in some way he felt like it was training his skills as he heard Minny call out numbers.

"1,5,12, 9, 6, 2, Fail!" Minny said, as Tobi's foot had landed in between the two and three.

"Ah man!" Tobi said lying on the floor. "How are you so good at this? I could call from 1 to 20 and you can still jump that far. Your pretty amazing."

Minny didn't say anything and looked away, but Abby could see that she was happy from the kind words. It turned out she had two weaknesses: compliments and juice boxes.

If only Tobi knew, if he had apologised and given a juice box, then maybe there would have been no need for him to do so much begging.

"Haha, look at him. He was talking so much trash about them before, and now he's complimenting them."

"Yeah, what a flip flopper. I can't believe we looked up to that guy."

The comments weren't made loudly, but the group of kids that were speaking were quite close. When looking at who was saying such things, it could be seen that it was the group that Tobi had originally hung out with.

'It's none of my business what they say about him, and besides he deserves everything that is happening to him.' Minny thought.

She took a peek at Tobi who could clearly hear the words as well, and he was clenching his fist while looking at the ground in the distance. It was normal for such words to affect young people.

When the school day had come to an end, Minny had been escorted home by her mother, but she wasn't in the best of moods because of what she had just heard.

"Dad still isn't back!" Minny complained. "What is taking him so long! If it's dad, can't he just deal with the problem and come back. I wish he had the ability to teleport, then he could see Minny and then head back."

"It's only been a day." Layla stated, stroking Minny's hair. "You know your dad's strong. There is nothing to worry about, just keep on enjoying school. As long as there are no problems for him to come back to, I'm sure he will be over the moon."

Minny nodded and understood, this time she would do whatever she could to stay out of trouble, unless she felt like her life was truly on the line then she would fight back. Unlike the loophole she had used last time.

The next day, school had begun and lessons were going as they normally would, apart from the fact that the group of friends that Tobi had originally made were continuing to tease him.

They had written words such as a flip flopper on his desk, as well as suck up, and a few other things. There was no proof of who did it, but from the laughing and giggles it was clear who had done such a thing.

After the morning lessons were complete, the three were playing during their break once again.

"Hey look, Tobi is hanging out with the two princesses again. Maybe his d*ck will fall off soon." The kids were more confident with their teasing and spoke even louder as they said this.

They were playing the same game as they had yesterday and it was Tobi's turn, but after hearing this he looked at the two girls and smiled.

"I don't feel too well. I think I'm going to sit this out this time." Tobi said, as he started to walk away.

Both of the girls felt strange about this, and could hear the others still laughing as Tobi walked away.

"Hey, shut up!" Minny shouted at the group, and it made them flinch slightly. As 'Minny the Monster' had become quite the nickname that had been spread around since that day.

"If you say more stupid things like that, then you will all get beaten up, by a girl!" Minny shouted as she turned away.

The children were frightened out of their boots, because Minny's eyes were glowing red, the images of what she had done to Tobi had popped up in their heads and it made them wonder.

She had done that to Tobi and now she was sticking up for him, what happened?

As for Tobi, although he had walked away, behind a wall he had heard it all, he had heard Minny stick up for him.

After break had ended it was time for them to participate in another practical lesson. They were out on the field again, only this time the lesson wasn't about their physical strength and instead it was about using the vampire aura they had within them.

The teacher displayed the vampire aura covering his hand, and then soon displayed the first basic strike that nearly every vampire knew, which was the blood slash.

"The truth is, a blood slash is easier for vampires to do than to constantly control it around their arm like so." The teacher explained. "For every vampire, they harness their blood aura in different ways and there can be a trigger which is different from person to person.

"For example, one person's aura might form due to different emotions. I wish to protect this person, I want to hurt them, even sadness. Of course, once you become experienced in blood aura, you no longer need to rely on these triggers but discovering which of these emotions will bring out the strongest in you is a good way to perform your first blood swipe.

"After that, you just need to try and remember the feeling of the aura when producing the swipe."

For children, concentrating on their emotions was quite difficult, so the teacher never expected any of them to be able to do a blood swipe on their first day, but that's when he noticed sitting there among the students, all the kids were staring at a little girl, who had blood aura covering her entire hand.

'She.... She's a genius.' The teacher thought. 'I have to know who she is, and who her parents are.'

All of the kids were beyond amazed. However, because they saw MInny doing it so easily, they quickly thought it would be the same for them as the lesson had started.

Each of them was trying to gather their blood aura, swinging their arms to create the blood swipe, but not a single vampire from Minny's class had managed to succeed.

At the end of the lesson, the teacher named Mr Ipop asked to speak to Minny. The teacher, Miss Bedford took the others to class as this occured.

"Minny, I have to ask, you have incredible control over your vampire aura. Have you ever had a teacher of some sort?" Mr Ihop asked.

"Teacher?" Minny thought about it, and she had her father as a teacher but thought that was a strange answer. "My father has taught me sometimes. He says Minny is very talented."

"I bet he does!" Mr Ihop had a large grin on his face. "With your skills, any one of the leaders would snatch you up to become one of their disciples. This class is a bit too easy for you, so we might have you join the other classes for your practical lessons, how do you feel about that?"

Minny didn't mind too much, she liked using her powers, and she could tell that although some thought her powers were cool. Others were looking at Minny strangely and were saying all sorts of things.

It was jealousy. At first what was admiration, was now turning into jealousy.

"I think it would be cool." Minny answered.

"Great, I have one more question to ask you. Your father, who is he? Does he work in the castle?" Mr Ipop asked.

Minny shook her head.

"No, he is just a guard."

There was a worried look on Mr. Ihop's face when he heard this. He thought with this much skill, her father was surely in a high position. If that was the case then the family her father worked for would most likely choose her to become a disciple.

However, since her family was quite low, the leaders themselves might fight at the opportunity to make Minny to become theirs.

'I don't know who you are, but soon, Minny's father, you will become a very popular man among the leaders. Nearly all of them will try to win your favour.' Mr Ihop smirked.

Chapter 2033 Disappointment

When the practical lesson finally ended, everyone was starting to realise just how much of a genius Minny really was. Because none of them had even come close to even feeling the aura in their bodies.

Seeing their parents, and the adult vampires use aura all the time, they were desperate to learn it.

When lunch had begun, most of the kids were still trying to practise using aura. All of those in the same grade had the same lesson and some were even asking for advice from the older grades that could already use aura.

In the playground, the usual three were walking together.

The others, although amazed by Minny, were also still scared of her. They were too afraid to ask her, but the two closest to her right now had the opportunity to do so.

"Minny." Abby said. "How did you control your aura so easily? Is there a trick to it?"

"Yeah!" Tobi asked. "There has to be a trick or something right? Can you please teach us?"

Minny didn't really know, she had been put in so many dangerous situations and was brought up around so many strong vampires that she had felt her vampire aura from deep within for a while.

It was only natural that the energy she could feel around her constantly that she could easily find from within... but that did give her an idea.

Quinn had taught Minny Qi, and during it she had also learnt to see the vampire aura as well. Perhaps there was a way for her to help these two activate their aura.

"There's not a trick... but maybe I can help you." Minny said.

The three went out to an area that was quiet in the playground, between a few buildings where no one could see them. She then told both Tobi and Abby to sit down and close their eyes.

"I don't know if this will work, but you are going to feel something inside you. It will feel a little icky. That icky feeling you need to feel inside and bring out the icky when you attack, do you understand?"

Both Tobi and Abby looked at each other for a second, but they couldn't really expect much.

"We understand." They both said, not really understanding.

As Minny did her thing, it didn't take them too long to understand, because they could really feel the aura inside their body moving about. Because they could feel Minny moving it about, they now knew what to search for from within.

"I don't know if that helped." Minny said. "But that is the only thing I can do."

Immediately, the two of them tried to search for the same feeling they had just felt. It was easiest to do it right after, and it was the best thing for them to do. For both of them they felt like they were at the tip of the iceberg. They were nearly there but just couldn't latch on to it.

Then, Abby swung her arm forward, but nothing came out.

"Don't worry too much Abby." Minny said. "Keep trying and if you forget the feeling I can do the same thing again for you."

Abby quickly went to try again, she knew it wasn't going to be easy but she felt like it was close.

For Tobi, it felt like he could feel the feeling, but something was missing, he wasn't drawing enough of it out.

'If I listened to what the teacher said... anger... sadness... fear... or.'

The image of Minny, shouting at the guys from earlier had appeared in his head, and his heart had thumped slightly.

At that moment, Tobi could feel the energy grow, this was his chance, he swung his arm out and a red slash was seen through the air for a slight second, it didn't go anywhere, but it was there in the air.

"Did you see that... Did you see that!" Tobi said.

"That was amazing!" Minny shouted. "You did it, I must be a really good teacher!"

Abby was happy for Tobi at that moment and was jumping up and down. Soon all three of them were jumping up and down with smiles on their faces. Looking at this, feeling this moment, Tobi was wondering what this was, and he was wondering, just what was the feeling he had felt before. The feeling that allowed him to draw out his powers?

The rest of lunch the two of them continued to practise, and Abby had eventually managed to create a small flicker, but it wasn't like the entire line that Tobi had produced before.

However, Tobi never did manage to create anything again. For some reason, he kept thinking of all sorts of things and he was unable to produce any aura. Still he was proud.

When back in the classroom, he could hear all the students talking about how they found it impossible to summon their aura. That they could feel absolutely nothing, but it wasn't the same for Tobi.

It was safe to say that out of everyone there, he was the most talented student... at least after Minny, but she was a strange one, Tobi thought, staring towards her.

The two of them made eye contact, and Tobi quickly went to stare away.

The day had come to an end, and on the way home, Tobi had been picked up by his father. His mother still refused to go to that dreadful school as he would often hear her say.

"That's amazing!" Tobi's father said after learning the news. "I knew you were a talented one. I believe that one day that you will even surpass me."

Tobi was happy with the praise he had received from his father, and he couldn't wait to get home to hear more praises from his mother. When they finally arrived home his father went to his office quickly, he needed to because there was always a lot of work for him to do.

Meanwhile, Tobi entered the living room, where his mother was sitting there waiting, and she quickly sat up when she saw her son.

"Tobi!" Sonia said. "So how was it?"

"It was amazing mom!" Tobi said excitedly as he jumped up on the sofa. "Today we were practising how to use vampire aura, and I managed to create a strike in the air. I was the only one that was able to do it."

"Not that." Sonia replied. "I mean, how is it going with our plan, have you gotten close with her?"

The excitement had completely left Tobi's face, this wasn't what he wanted to hear, he wanted to hear his mother praise him.

"Yes mother... I am getting closer with her." Tobi answered.

"That's it, that's my boy!" Sonia said as she lifted to her feet." Just a little longer now. Just gain her trust a little more, and then... everything will work out."

Hearing this, there was a lump in Tobi's throat, and a large pain around his chest, but he had no clue why.

Chapter 2034 Our Planet (Part 1)

An unusual situation was occurring at the vampire settlement, so much so that there had been a meeting called between the nine leaders. Just like before they were meeting in the large garden that was placed behind the castles and linked all of the castles together.

"I believe we all know why we are here." Hikel, the fourth family original and current leader of the 4th family stated. "This planet is not like the one that we were originally on, and it seems the beasts have grown not just stronger since our time, but also more intelligent."

"Is that a roundabout way of saying that the multiple hunting teams we sent out still haven't returned?" Edvard stated.

The original leaders were all looking at each other with concerned looks because it was true. They had all received similar reports and after that there seemed to be next to no communication from them.

"Which is why we are here to make a suggestion. I don't believe the matter is important enough to involve Jim, nor to worry the people just yet." Hikel continued to explain. "At the same time, which is what I am here for, we need suggestions as to what to do next."

Vampires being unable to hunt on the own planet that they lived on seemed a ridiculous idea, even for the originals. They were a group that was to be feared and they couldn't even handle the situation.

Some of them thought that they should keep sending out vampires until a team succeeded, that way it would weed out the weaker vampires, but not all of the original vampires cared about strength as much as others.

"The last report I received. It stated that they had encountered a demon tier beast." Edvard finally spoke up among all of the leaders that were talking to each other. "Send out a weak team and they will be eliminated. Based on the conversation they had, it is also probable that there is more than one demon tier beast."

"A demon tier beast." Some of them gulped.

The vampires, even the originals, although they were strong, knew the strength of the beasts, because it was a single demon tier beast, the two headed dragon, that I took all of their strength to take on.

At the time, some of the originals had even been woken up to take on such a thing. The strength of a demon tier could vary. In some cases perhaps one original would be enough, in other cases it would take a few of them.

"I have sent important men out." Edvard stated. "If you don't mind, I wish to go out there myself and attempt to deal with the problem. You know my luck, if it is a serious matter I am unlikely to die and I can give an accurate report."

The originals were unsure as they looked at each other, and eventually one of them had a question.

"Are you sure?" Grenlet asked, the original belonging to the 3rd family, the Toppy family. He was a vampire with a large belly, one of the few, but his most distinctive feature was his long dangly fingers that were incredibly thin despite his body. "You no longer have your armour, you are not as powerful as you once were."

Edvard stood up from the table, as it seemed the meeting was coming to an end, and he smiled as he lifted the sunglasses off his head.

"That armour never belonged to me in the first place, but remember it wasn't just that armour that made me the strongest original out of all of you, it was my skill as well." Edvard smiled and walked away.

One of the originals was furious and stood up, as if he was ready to fight with Edvard, but Hikel quickly calmed him down.

"Stand down, be happy that he is going out and not us, and besides everything he said is true anyway." Hikel commented.

Just what strange events were occuring on the planet? The one saving grace so far, was that the settlement had yet to be attacked. In a way it was a sign that the beasts felt like they were weaker than the settlement and it was why they hadn't touched it.

How long has it been? Was the question that was running through Quinn's head. Had it now been two days since they had left the settlement? It was hard to keep track of time with the sky always being dark, but Quinn was sure of it, his family had spent two days without him and they were still stuck in this forest.

The group of vampires were sitting outside the large tree, taking a rest. Anton had declared it after there was already a scuffle between the two vampires over directions.

In the end, they had asked each vampire to lead the way out of here with their instincts, no one would distract or say what they were thinking. Every single one of them in the group had tried leading their way out but they always ended up back at the tree.

Frustrated, it had caused a large argument between the group.

"Are we going to die here?" Ronkin asked.

Hearing those words, Quinn finally stood up, and started to walk towards the leader of the group, Anton.

"Hey... is he actually doing what I think he is?" Ronkin asked.

"I think so."

Anton saw who was approaching him and honestly he was fed up as well, the last thing he wanted was one of the guards to complain to him.

"Sir Anton, I have a suggestion, why don't you let me lead the group next time." Quinn suggested.

"You lead the group, do you think the rest of us are incompetent." Stin shouted out after hearing these words. "We are all tired, are you that stupid to not know that something is controlling this forest and forcing us to be here."

"No." Quinn replied. "I figured it out the first time we arrived back here. Only a fool would realise it after the 12th time."

The other vampires laughed at this. Stin had been so confident before that he could lead the way, and he was one of the last vampires to get a turn. In the end, after leading them back to the same place, he was embarrassed and was one of the vampires that was involved in a scuffle from before.

Hearing the others laughing at him had caused Stin to stand up in frustration.

"You think this is a joke!" Stin ran forward as fast as he could from his position and threw a punch right at Quinn, but moving his head, Quinn had avoided the punch and grabbed onto his wrist.

"I want to go home, so shut up." Quinn said.

Anton quickly got in between the two so no more fighting could occur, but he and the others were quite impressed with what Quinn had done. A guard would never be able to match the speed of someone from the hunting squad, yet that just had occurred.

Quickly rushing over were both Nell and Ronkin.

"Please sir, I think you should give him a chance." Nell stated. "It seems like Quinn has the luck of the Fortuna family and I believe we can use it."

Nell winked at Ronkin when saying this, because neither of them believed such a thing, it was just something that Ronkin blurted out now and then.

"Besides what else are we to do, to just sit here and wait. Every vampire has tried to walk through the forest path, so you should at least let us try. Wasn't it you who said that we were part of the group as well."

Anton certainly remembered saying those words. In this situation he probably would have said no, but after seeing what Quinn had just done, maybe he did really have the luck of the Fortuna family, otherwise how was he able to stop the attack from before.

"Okay, everyone, Quinn, the guard, will be our guide for this!" Anton shouted. "Get ready to move out."

Chapter 2035 Our Planet (Part 2)

The vampires got up as they had been asked, but none of them had much hope. All of them had failed and they doubted that it would be much different this time.

Walking ahead of the rest was Quinn and by his side were the other two guards. Quinn had told the two of them to stay close to him just in case anything was to occur.

The thought of what Nell had asked earlier was still very much in his head. If things did change with him leading the way, then it meant the beast from before certainly was talking to him.

"So... Do you have any idea of where you're going." Ronkin asked, fearful that if they ended up back at the tree again, that their heads would be rolling on the floor.

"No, I am just going to go the way that I remembered." Quinn stated. "Just be ready for anything. Remember the beasts attacking us last time, it's the only attack we have experienced so far, and I doubt the other hunting team failed because of them."

Ronkin was shaking his head, because he obviously thought it was going to fail, but he would never mention that to the others, he could already sense the pressure from behind them.

"As long as we don't run into that owl beast again, I'll be fine." Ronkin replied.

However, as they continued to walk, Anton and the other vampires noticed something, they were now walking by scenery they had never seen before.

"Is this real?" One of the vampires said. "It's a new area."

"Yeah." Stin softly replied. "That's the problem though, it's a new area."

The vines that were on the ground were surrounding them completely, making a type of wall on either side. It was an area they hadn't been to before. When turning around as well, it looked like it was the same thing, the forest they recognised was no longer there.

Pulling out his rapier, Anton tried to cut the vines that were covering the sides, his red aura along with the weapon had easily ripped through them just like they had before, but there were even more vines behind and he could see that the vines he had cut where reattaching themselves.

"Keep moving forward. We have no choice now." Anton stated. "Be prepared for anything."

Anton thought this would eventually happen, there had to be a reason why this part of the forest was acting a certain way and now it looked like they would get their answers.

Eventually, as they continued walking forward, the vines had somewhat stopped, and they could be seen walking up a path. It almost looked like they were walking up the side of a mountain.

They could see the forest off to the side of the mountain but there was no sign of the settlement, making them wonder just how far they were.

"Maybe we should try jumping off the mountain and into the forest from here?" One of the vampires suggested.

The vampire wasn't the only one that thought about it, it looked like a good way to escape, but on the very edge, where the strange vines were, it was quite obvious what would happen. If one was to jump off into the forest, it would lead them back to where it wanted them.

"We should stick together, we don't know what will happen if one of you were to test it out." Anton replied. "I don't want any more of us dying, not for a useless test like that."

"We could always just push one of the guards off, and see what happens." Stin commented.

HIs comment received a stern look from Anton and he quickly shut up.

Going up the side of the mountain for a while, they eventually reached a large platform, where one could see nearly the entire forest plant-like jungle, but in front of them there were three large beings out on the edge.

"It's the... owl from before." Stin said, a bit of fear in his voice.

"And it looks like it's not alone... this situation, it's looking extremely bad for us." Anton said.

That was because right next to the owl there were two other large beasts of significant size. The owl itself, now its entire body could be seen. Its feathers were mostly white but blackened towards the end.

Its deep black eyes were visible and one could see that it had long muscular arms and legs on its body as well.

As for the creature next to it, it was equal in size, with two heads on its body. Sticking out from the top of its heads were large antlers that curved and pointed out towards the direction of the vampires.

Then finally, in the centre, was a beast that had a human shaped body and stood up on its two legs. It had a green coloured body and even now its body was constantly moving, shifting about all over.

That's when they noticed that its body looked similar to the vines itself. As for its head, there was a single horn sticking out from where its nose was, it had razor sharp teeth, and its eyes were mystic, almost a blend of colours swirling around in its place.

It became apparent to all of them that this beast was the one, the one that had been controlling where they were going this entire time. The vines could even be seen wrapping around behind him. It was clear that this beast had great power.

"They're all, beasts right?" Ronkin said as he gulped, never witnessing such frightening beasts in his life. The strange thing was, these beasts weren't even the same type, yet they were working together for some reason.

"They are... all three of them are Demon tier beasts." Quinn answered.

Chapter 2036 The Power Of A Guard (Part 1)

Edvard had left the vampire settlement but didn't change any of his clothes, he was still wearing a bright green coloured Hawaiian shirt this time, that somewhat blended in with the plants, and his sunglasses. What he did take with him was one of the special flasks that had been handed out by Jim Eno.

He was rushing through the area trying to find the others, but it was going to be tough when he didn't exactly know where the others were.

'Quinn, I know you're a strong vampire, and you are hiding your identity, but I was hoping to know what your character is like.' Edvard thought. 'When your colleagues, your fellow vampires' lives are on the line, would you just stand by and do nothing or help them?

'However, I never expected things to get this dangerous. I feel guilty for sending you, and I never wished to send my own group of vampires to their death. So while I'm not there, all I can do is rely on you.'

The three beasts were standing on the edge, side by side with each other. It was quite an intimidating sight to see, because unlike the beasts the group were used to facing, none of them were moving forward.

A sound was soon heard from behind them, nothing drastic or loud. Just a few rocks moving, and when they turned their heads to look reluctantly, because they didn't want to look away from the beasts in front of them, they could see that they had been trapped.

The pathway behind them was filled with vines once again. The group was quite high up on the mountain, so they imagined that even if they tried to jump off, they would suffer a bit of damage. On top of that, there was the owl with the strange wings and they were unsure whether or not it could fly, so the vampires were reluctant to test it out.

In the air, most of them were at a disadvantage. Entering the large rocky-like ground, ever since they had entered the open area, the vampires hadn't moved from their positions, in the end, Anton the leader of the group, decided it was his duty to act.

He walked ahead, the beasts still not moving, and he was practically sweating already, still he went in front of the three guards and was now in front of the entire group.

"What are we going to do!" Stin asked, his voice was cracking as he spoke. The confident cocky vampire wasn't cocky anymore in front of these three. "Are we going to move, fight for our lives, or just stay in a staring match all day."

There were a lot of thoughts going through the vampires' heads, some of them for a brief moment even blaming Quinn for leading them here, but they quickly disregarded that idea as it was clear he had no control as to where they were heading.

"Attack?" The green headed humanoid beast had spoken. One thing was clear now, that it could speak and understand them as well.

"I don't think that will be in your best interest. You see, you're not the first group that has arrived here, and well, they had the same thoughts as you but it didn't end well for them."

From the top of the mountain area they were in, vines had dropped down, and at the end of them, tied by their ankles were all the other vampires, wearing the same uniform as the hunting team.

Anton recognised them well.

"That's... the other hunting teams that were sent out at the same time as us. That's every single one of them."

Anton quickly realised that they were the last hunting group, the only ones that were still alive. If the rest had been killed and by the looks of it quite easily, then they could only imagine that their fate would be to meet the same end as the others and very soon.

"Please!" Anton shouted with distress in his voice, as if he was almost begging. "Tell us what you want. We can help you."

The two headed antler-like beast started to laugh loudly, it was a strange sound that was almost piercing to the ears so the vampires had to cover them up with both of their hands.

"All of you are the same, you say the same things when your life's on the line." One of the heads spoke. "When hunting beasts do you ever think of our lives? Sure many of the beasts don't have the capacity to think. They just hunt on instinct, fight each other and survive.

"However, there are some of us here, who can. We are the ones who evolved to the position we are at, so wouldn't you say that we are the rightful kings of this planet? Yet for you... what do you call yourselves... vampires? You come here, and start taking us out, without even thinking about any of this, you didn't try to speak to us first, so why should we listen to you?"

Quinn looked at Ronkin to his right, his lips were quivering and his legs were shaking. He could hear Nell's heartbeat also raise slightly as well.

"We can talk!" Anton declared, and all of the vampires were nodding their heads. "We will stay out of the area. We can respect each other's territories!"

Although Anton had said this, the most likely thing to happen if they did return, was the leaders to strike out and get rid of the beasts. Beasts evolved with time, and judging by the way things had occurred, with more time there would be more demon tier beasts and the vampires hated having a threat especially at the place that they had decided to call home.

"That's why we have brought you here, to talk." The green beast stated.

Anton saw that there was a glimmer of a chance.

"If you let us back... if you let us go back to our settlement, then we can pass on your message to our leaders or talk."

"Your leaders?" the green beast replied. "So there is nothing you can do yourselves? I guess your lives are meaningless then."

Turning his head again, Quinn could see that Ronkin was praying under his breath.

"I'm sorry Lun that I won't be there to see you grow up, I'm sorry that this happened right after you just got better. Please Betty, look after him well."

"Please!" Anton shouted. "If you kill us, then there will be no chance for us to talk. Our leaders will be angry and come here to try to battle. I know you're strong but our leaders are strong as well."

The two headed antler started to laugh once again.

"Your leaders don't scare us. There is only one reason why we haven't attacked your settlement so far and that is to do with him." The green beast spoke.

The green beast's hand was raised and a sharp finger made of vines pointed at one person. The vampires, including Anton, turned to where the finger was pointed, and of all the people it was pointed at Quinn.

Chapter 2037 The Power Of A Guard (Part 2)

"Are they pointing at the guard?" Stin was confused.

"Why are they pointing at him out of everyone here?"

"Didn't you hear what they said, they said he's the only reason why they hadn't attacked the settlement."

Ronkin and Nell were perplexed by this as well, even if Quinn was lucky, or could communicate with beasts, why would they pick him, why would they not attack such a place because of an unknown vampire?

At that moment, Quinn decided to drop the bag of supplies that was on his back on the floor. Before he walked over, he went to Ronkin of all the people that were there.

"Don't worry, Ronkin, I will make sure you get to see your family." Quinn said.

They were confident words, they weren't shaky at all, and it was those words that made Ronkin realise, out of everyone there, Quinn wasn't afraid at all. With the supplies off his back and him wearing the guard-like uniform, he confidently walked past Nell, finally he walked past Anton as well, and stood in front of the vampires.

"You wanted to speak to me, I'm guessing?" Quinn said, with his hands raised. "So speak, and I warn you, I'm not in the best of moods right now."

With everything that had happened, how was he going to explain himself out of this one, it would basically be impossible.

"Why the hell is that guard talking to demon tier beasts like that!" Stin said in a shaky voice, after everything that Anton had done to calm them down, he thought this guard was going to blow it all.

"Why did you leave!" The owl asked in the same dreaded voice it had before. "Why did you come here?"

Nell, realised that he was right, the questions the owl was asking before, was directed at Quinn. For some reason, these beasts had great interest in him.

"I am a simple guard that works for the leaders of the vampire families. Due to the recent killings of several groups that have gone hunting for beasts, these scout teams were sent here, and I am sent here to carry their bags." Quinn answered while pointing at his back.

"You seem to have a sense of humour." The Green beast stated. "I am able to sense energy on this entire planet, and there is no energy that is greater than what is at that settlement.

"We never attacked the settlement, we stayed away because we knew you were there. An energy that is so large that it engulfed the entirety of that settlement, but then the energy moved away... you left the settlement for some reason. You say you are a simple guard... that is ridiculous."

'Have the beasts made some type of mistake.' Anton thought. 'The energy from the settlement has to be coming from the vampire leaders. Do they think it is coming from this guard for some reason. Maybe the guard has realised this.

'The beasts aren't attacking because they can sense great power and they think it's coming from the guard. If all things fall right, he can bluff his way out of this.' Anton saw a ray of hope.

While Quinn was thinking about what the beasts had said, they had sensed his energy. Maybe this beast was just more sensitive than others, because he was sure he was keeping it in, but it did explain one thing, why waves of beasts hadn't attacked the settlement like they had done on the other planets.

"I gave you my answer." Quinn said. "If you didn't attack the settlement because of me, then that's fine. So let us go, and we will go back to the settlement. Just like that man said over there.

"Maybe we can strike a deal, as to where the vampires can hunt, and a place for you guys to stay."

The three beasts turned their heads at that moment, and when they looked at each other there was a big smile on their faces.

"A deal... you don't seem to understand the situation." The green beast replied. "Your power is strong but there are also strong powers at the settlement. The truth is we never thought that you would leave this place, and because of it, we never thought of attacking it either.

"Now that you are here, there is no one to protect the settlement. We will keep you here, you will be trapped and killed, and we will take over and become rulers of what should have been ours to begin with."

The negotiations seemed to have failed, and Anton could see this.

"Everyone get ready to fight for your lives."

Hearing these words one of the vampires tried to run back, and began to throw his red aura at the vines. They broke, but there were just more vines underneath. He swung his hands, firing out blood swipe after blood swipe, but the vines kept regenerating and there was no sign of them being able to break free.

"An attack on the settlement?" Quinn smirked. "You are greatly underestimating the vampires that live there. I assume the three of you are the strongest this forest has to offer, if that's the case, I'll tell you now, your beasts won't even be able to make it in the settlement."

The two headed, antler beast laughed once more.

"You are awfully cocky for someone who can't even get out of this place."

The vampires were all trapped, and the three demon tier beasts looked as if they were ready to pounce on them at any second. The vampires' lives were flashing before their eyes as they thought about their loved ones, the mistakes they had made in their life.

On top of that, Ronkin started to pray once more.

"Hey!" Quinn called out as he lifted his hand in the air, red aura was gathering in the palm of his hand, it was condensed and a large amount of it was all going to one place. Soon the shape of the blood was forming and turning into something large.

"I've... never seen so much blood aura... and such powerful blood aura." Nell said, his eyes were amazed. This was something he never thought he would witness in his lifetime. "I told you, there's no need to pray. You will get to see your family." Quinn turned around and held onto the pure blood formed spear, and hurled it as hard as he could behind him.

It went past all of the vampires and the second it touched the vines, it ripped them apart. Unlike the blood attack from the vampires, Quinn's spear continued to break through all the vines, ripping them apart and burning all of the vines even though the spear wasn't touching them.

The spear continued until it eventually reached the bottom of the path they were on and crashed into the ground, shaking the entire mountain. The pathway back was now clear and the vampires could escape, but for Quinn he had no intention of escaping as he turned his head around to look at the beasts.

"You should have listened to your instincts to not mess with me."

Chapter 2038 Horde Wave And The Settlement (Part 1)

The new vampire settlement was practically a baby. It hadn't been long since it was fully formed and that included the vampires living their lives under the families.

However, due to how vampires were, as if it was in their nature, they found it relatively easy to follow the originals. The vampires that had created them and of course those that were much more powerful than them.

The final nail in the coffin was the fact that the originals were working under Jim Eno. The vampire hero that had saved them all. For many of them, in their eyes, there was nothing he could do bad so they would trust his judgement and so far, life had been good for them, after all there hadn't been a single attack, or a threat had yet to make it into the settlement.

Which was why, when vampires around the school, walking around the marketplace, in the shops, and in their houses, found it strange when they heard a large alarm.

It was one long loud beep, that would pause for a second or so, and then beep again.

In the school, the teacher Miss Bedford was in the middle of class when she could hear the strange alarm going off, as a teacher she was more informed of particular drills compared to the rest of the settlement.

"Everyone, please listen to my instructions and remain calm!" Miss Bedford said to them all as she stopped dead with what she was doing. "No one is to leave this room until the alarm stops. Everyone is to stay clear of the windows and the doors and be on alert."

The alarm, along with Miss Bedford explaining things, was making them nervous, they hadn't gone through any drills yet. They hadn't had any time to go through practice drills, but Miss Bedford knew that the sound of the alarm was a warning, stating that the settlement was under attack.

When something had passed one of the gates without the guards permission, the sound would go off. Whether it was from above, how big the attack force was, or any of that information... they were unsure.

"When the alarm has stopped, we will wait until a different noise is played afterwards, does everyone understand?" Miss Bedford asked.

"What is happening Miss, can we go home and see our parents?" One of the kids asked, his eyes were already watering up.

This is what Miss Bedford feared, because these children were incredibly young. The older kids would be able to follow orders a little more clearly, but as for the rest...

"Your parents will be fine, we are doing this to make sure everyone is safe. So please just listen to what I say and you and your family will be okay." Miss Bedford reassured the student and the rest of the class.

Since the lesson had been put on pause, the kids had moved about in the classroom, changing seats, and sitting next to their friends. It was more comforting for them this way.

"Minny, do you think we will be okay?" Abby asked. "The teacher, she seems worried."

"Of course she is!" Tobi said, as he pulled up a chair joining the two girls. "That sound, we were told about it when we first arrived, it's the alarm that the settlement is under attack, but I don't think we have to worry about anything.

"This is just a school. Whoever, or whatever is attacking us. There's no reason for them to attack the school. The only thing that we would have to worry about is if a wild beast entered the place."

At the front gate, where the alarm was triggered, there were a couple of vampire deaths from the guards. There weren't many, but there were plenty of beast bodies that had appeared by the gate.

The guards were in a panic, as they had never had an attack of this large of a scale from beasts at the settlement before. In fact, whenever the guards did see beasts as they ran towards the settlement, they would usually run away before entering.

"Have you informed the leaders!" One of the permanent outside guards shouted.

"Yes, they said they should be here any moment."

Just as the other vampire replied, all eight of the leaders, the original vampires that had originally created the families, were seen walking towards the gate.

It looked like they had arrived at the exact same time, and that was because they had. Moments ago they were in the middle of a meeting, discussing what was the best thing to do.

"From the information we receive this is a beast hrode, a wave or something?" Grenlet asked.

"Yes." Hikel replied. "It seems like beasts come in waves of a particular level, and the waves get larger and larger attacking the place. I fear that this is not merely a coincidence after we had sent out Edvard."

"You believe Edvard failed?" Another leader asked.

"No." Hikel replied. "He hasn't been gone long enough, but maybe this is a reaction to our actions."

The original leaders could see the dead beasts the permanent guards had managed to slay. They then walked ahead in front of the gate and stood a few metres apart from each other.

"Did everyone bring their flasks?" Hikel asked.

"Yes." They replied. "But do you really think we will need it, just against beasts?"

"Your right." Hikel said as he could hear running, growling and grunting coming from over the meadows in the distance. Another wave was coming their way.

He lifted his hand and bit his thumb, soon forming it into a ball.

"This will be our first battle together, after returning. The first battle of the original vampires to defend their new home." Hikel threw the ball of red aura high up in the air.

It went far in the distance, over the hill where they couldn't see and a second later, a large explosion rocked the entire settlement. A dust cloud appeared and beasts were seen flying in the air. This was the power of the fourth Original, Hikel Talon.

Chapter 2039 Horde Wave And The Settlement (Part 2)

The shock wave that had been created from Hikel's blood could be felt through the ground of the whole settlement, and rather than making the vampires worry less, instead they were more afraid than before.

Many of them thought that the battle was so intense that the leaders had no choice but to use this level of power. Yet they were unaware of the truth, now staying in their homes and more until they received the order.

At the gate itself, the second wave of beasts were easy to deal with, due to Hikel's little display before. The beasts that had survived had come in half injured, and not even all of the leaders had to get involved to take out the second wave of beasts that were mostly at the king tier level.

"This is a wave of beasts?" One of the larger vampires that towered over the others yelled. He was nearly double in size compared to the rest of them and was named Wallace Dawn, the creator of the seventh family, and the vampire that was known to have the strongest defence in existence.

"Why do they come out a wave at a time, why not just come at us all at once!" Wallace declared, as he banged his chest much like an oversized gorilla.

"I'm sure they have their reasons." Hikel stated. "We should prepare ourselves, we have no idea how many waves there will be. Perhaps they are trying to tire us out before the real enemy arrives."

The sound of more beasts coming their way was heard, but before they had arrived, each one of them telepathically had received a report. Although the Snacker family no longer existed, there were still vampires that knew the ability.

Regardless of this, there was no intention of bringing their family back. The rules were made quite clear when Jim Eno had awakened them, that he wished to create the strongest vampire group.

If the originals had managed to perish due to their own foolishness, then there was no need to have their name to continue to be carved into history, this was their legacy.

As for the report itself, it was something they had expected but not on this scale.

"Those slimy b*stards!" Grenlet shouted. "They're attacking the other gates. Just how many beasts are there that are attacking the settlement? It must consist of all the beasts on the entire planet!" His belly jiggled as he said these words.

"The original vampires against the whole planet of beasts, I like this as a first test." Wallace smiled.

The problem was, the settlement was large and even if the leaders split up and went to the other gates, it would be too late. Some of the beasts would enter the place, and with this being the third wave, the level of beasts would be between King tier and Emperor tier.

Some of the vampires would have difficulty fighting against that.

"We must split now, two leaders at each gate, and when the final wave comes, we will group up once more!" Hikel ordered, as he took charge of the situation.

In the school, the kids had taken cover under their desks. After the explosion that had been created shook the entire place, Miss Bedford had asked them to do so.

"This is an announcement to all teachers and pupils. Please escort your homeroom classes to the sports hall. All teachers who do not have a homeroom class, please help guide students and take a register for all the students as soon as you arrive in the sports hall."

The announcement that Miss Bedford had been expecting had arrived.

"Come on kids, quickly line up single file, and we will head down the hall." Miss Bedford ordered.

The kids did as they were told, and after checking the classroom to see that no one was left behind, the kids quickly went down the hall. They could see that the other teachers were doing the same thing, and rather than walking, they were jogging down the hall at a fast speed.

"I don't like this Minny!" Abby cried. "I don't like this at all."

Minny held onto Abby's hand tightly. They were all unsure of what was occuring right now, but it was clear that they didn't want to tell the children just in case it would frighten them even more.

While running down the hallway though, Minny's ears could soon pick up something, and as she turned her head she could see it, right out the window.

"Look out, Miss Bedford!" Minny shouted.

Due to her warning, Miss Bedford had turned her head and now she could see it, it was a beast. It had crashed right through the glass on the side. Miss Bedford reacted by swinging her arm and delivering a blood swipe hitting the beast in the stomach, but it didn't stop its momentum as she had to move and roll out of the way.

All of the children could see the beast. It was a dog-like beast, but a fairly large one, around the same size as a tiger. On its back there was a large bulb-like plant, and coming out from it there were several vines as well.

The vines from the dog were fast as they went to attack Miss Bedford, and with her sharp nails covered in vampire aura, she was able to slash through them, but now the dog itself was coming after her as well.

"Kids, keep heading to the sports hall, I will hold this beast back!" Miss Bedford said.

The kids could see that the other teachers and kids were already out of the hallway, most likely already in the sports hall. Miss Bedford knew that none of them could really form aura, they weren't much help. She was the only one that could fight in this situation, so she didn't mind... It was a sacrifice that came with the job.

"Come on!" Tobi shouted to all the other kids that were standing there. "We have to move! Or we'll die!"

Tobi's loud voice for once was useful in stirring the kids on, and they soon followed him, as they all ran down the hallway. At the back of the group, MInny glanced at Miss Bedford, based on what she had seen so far, as long as it was only one of these beasts at a time, Miss Bedford would be able to win in a fight.

As the kids continued down the hall, they took a right, they needed to then cross an outside path that would take them to the sports hall, but when turning right, all of the children, around twenty of them, had stopped in their tracks up ahead.

"No... no... no!" Tobi shook his head in fear, because in the other hallway there was the same type of beast here in front of him. It wasted no time as it leapt towards Tobi.

'I... I have to think... how did I summon that aura before... otherwise I'll die here!' Tobi thought.

The beast opened its mouth, and Tobi started to swing his hand, but there was no red aura that had come out of it. His hand would hit the beast and simply do nothing.

Until a fist came out from the side, whacking it right in the side of the face, causing the beast to go crashing into the wall.

"Keep... moving" Minny said, standing in front of the other students.

Chapter 2040 Horde Wave And The Settlement (Part 3)

Tobi was unable to use vampire aura in the best of conditions, with no one around him or any distractions. Sure sometimes, based on what emotional outlet the vampire was best at, they would be able to perform something in this type of tense situation, but that wasn't the case for most and it was the same way for Tobi.

Minny knew this, as she sprinted forward after seeing the startled students, and threw a punch, hitting it right in the jaw and sending it crashing into the wall of the hallway.

"Minny... you saved me." Tobi said, as his heart started to beat harder again, it was a similar feeling to what he felt from before.

"It's not dead, so get out of here!" Minny shouted as the vines were coming toward her, and they started to wrap around her arms and legs. It was pulling her in, towards itself.

'I... I have to keep my promise but I also... don't want anyone to die.' Minny thought.

"Please get out of here, and Tobi!" Minny shouted. "You owe Abby a favour, so look after her."

"Minny!" Abby shouted and went toward her, but Tobi quickly grabbed her hand. "We have to leave... you know Minny is strong."

Just then, the beast pulled MInny in the air toward it, but she shoved her hands right on its upper and bottom jaw, using her strength to stop it from biting her.

Tobi wanted to help, but knew he was useless as he ran off, leading Abby away and at the same time the rest of the kids had left as well. Minny waited to hear them take another turn, and she knew there was just one final stretch before the sports hall; it looked like they would make it.

Her arms, which were shaking before when trying to stop the beast's mouth from biting her, were shaking no longer, and Minny stared directly at the dog-like beast.

"You tried hurting them." Minny said, as she easily used her strength and pulled apart the top jaw and bottom jaw of the beast, ripping it essentially in half and the black blood going over her face.

Her red eyes could still be seen clearly glowing, as she looked annoyed more than anything.

Inside the sports hall, Tobi and the others had entered, two teachers that were by the wide double doors, quickly closed the doors behind them and stood guard. They had made a small peep hole in the door so they could see who was on the other side.

It looked like Tobi's class was the last to arrive, as all of the other students were present, including the older children as well, and Mr Cripe was at the back of the room with a bit of black blood on him

He hadn't just been standing around. In the open area that led to the sports hall, there were quite a few beasts on the outside. He had cleared the area so the students were able to get there safely.

"What's the news so far?" Mr Ihop, the practical lesson instructor, asked the head teacher.

"I received an update." Mr Cripe replied. "We are under what is known as a beast horde attack. The monsters come in waves, each time stronger than the last. After receiving this information I thought it was best that the teachers band together."

"Can... the leaders not handle this, even with their strength?" Mr Ihop asked, frightened at the thought if that was the case,

"No, the news I have gotten is that the leaders are doing quite well. The problem in itself is the number of beasts. The waves get stronger and from the looks of it, their numbers are getting larger as well.

"When speaking to someone who was knowledgeable at these events, they stated it was like the settlement was facing three separate horde waves at once. These numbers... are large." Mr Cripe explained.

The doors to the sports hall were opened again, and this time entering the room was Miss Bedford, she had a few cuts on her body here and there, but they would heal quickly with a bit of blood.

She had managed to deal with the beast, and she was happy to see her students there sitting down on the floor.

Quickly, she rushed over, and the first thing she did was a register, to see if all the students were there.

"22...22?" Miss Bedford had a dreaded thought, and she soon realised who was missing out of all the students. "Where is Minny, is she not with the class, is she somewhere else?"

Hearing this, both Abby and Tobi stood up.

"You didn't see her miss?" Abby asked. "But... Minny, she was fighting a beast ahead of you. You should have seen her... you didn't see her?"

Once again Abby was on the verge of tears, and Miss Bedford nearly was as well, but she quickly remembered what she had seen on the way there.

"Minny stayed back to fight a beast, she was protecting us! We have to go help her!" Tobi shouted.

MIss Bedfrod started to think.

'There was another dead beast in the hallway. I assumed it was one of the other teachers, but what if it wasn't. Is Minny really strong enough to take out a beast like that?

'Even I struggled greatly... and if she did, where is Minny right now?'

MIss Bedford had done as she asked and reported the missing children, and Minny wasn't the only one missing either.

"What... what do we do?" Mr Cripe thought, as he placed his hand on his chin. "There are quite a few missing children. It is our responsibility to keep them safe, but if another big attack were to occur we might need all of the teachers to help protect the students.

"Sending a big task force won't help. Yet... it is calmer now, maybe sending someone out before the next wave of beasts is the best thing to do.'

That was when a particular student had called out.

"Mr Cripe!" Jared shouted. "I have a proposal, me and Hebe will go look for the missing students. You know our strength, we can deal with these beasts. We might be the only students that can.

"If it looks too hard, then we will quickly come back!" Jared declared.

Jared was the top student of the school, and the most skillful based on the assessments and information the school had gotten. Mr Cripe, as well as Mr Ihop, had seen his skills first hand.

He was a reliable student as well, but sending out a student to do a teacher's duty felt wrong, but what choice did they have?

"Fine... but do as you said. The second you see a beast or any sign of trouble beyond your capabilities, you are to return here immediately!" Mr Cripe ordered.