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have gone?" Harper asked as he looked up and down the main road. Benny didn't reply but knelt and sniffed the dirt road. Harper watched. Benny stood, closed his eyes, and sniffed the air.

"Mr. Scout, we're at the edge of the pack territory. Which direction do you think she would

"She went north. What's in that direction?" "Wyoming," Harper answered.

"What packs are in that area?"

agreed.

"Small ones. The state is made up of small cities and a lot of barren land. If she went in that direction, she wouldn't be able to make it on foot."

"The bus more than likely." "Then let's head that way and see if we can gure out which bus she took." Harper nodded.

He and Mr. Scout got back in his car and drove north. Benny kept his window slightly open to see if he could catch Kalea's scent as they went. On their way, Harper noticed a service station up ahead.

"You're right. What means of transportation could she have taken?"

"Harper, you don't have to call me Mr. Scout anymore. I'm no longer your teacher." "Sorry, Mr—I mean, Benny. I just got used to it."

"Mr. Scout, let's stop for gas and a restroom break," Harper suggested, to which Benny

"Understandable." "Did you want something to eat?" Harper asked as he pointed toward the service station.

"A bag of Takis would be nice," Benny answered.

"Sir? You like Takis?"

"Yes. They're delicious. And some Sunkist." Harper looked at Benny. "What?"

mean, Benny, come quick!" Harper exclaimed.

"The Princess," Benny said with nality.

"I need to see the footage from last night."

he saw that she was covered in blood.

"Do I need to call the cops?" He asked with worry.

around here that sells clothing?" Benny asked the clerk.

"Harper, get in the car! She went north as expected."

without any further arguments.

"I had three buses leave here last night."

"I had two going south and one that went northwest."

"The one that went northwest. Where was it heading?"

"What about where they went?"

"Yellowstone National Park."

Harper didn't really know Kalea's scent.

black stripe going down his back.

is quick to shift back and bow his head in respect.

"State your name and pack," the Alpha commands.

"Yes, well, that is all speculation," Benny replied.

"Regardless. Why are you here?" The Alpha asked.

is it?"

40s.

addressed.

outsiders."

"What pack might that be?"

"What makes them so strong?"

superiority," the Beta countered.

"Alpha King? As in the Royal Alpha King?"

they're looking for could be of great importance."

pack, and he could help them locate Kalea.

as they come," Harper cautioned.

neck and slammed on top of the car.

grumbled.

was calm and collected.

"Are you serious!?"

"No."

"Look at what we have here, fellas. More rogues."

"Yes, Sir."

that idiotic Alpha did."

passenger."

"But what about the snacks and drinks?" Harper whined.

was making his way to the service station, he caught the scent of blood. He realized it was coming from around the building, and he followed it without a second thought. When he saw the scent coming from the bathroom, he opened the door and saw the trash was lled

with bloody clothes. Harper was shocked and ran back to the car to get Benny. "Mr.—I

"Nothing. You don't seem like the orange soda type," Harper said and exited the car. As he

Benny, who had just nished pumping gas, looked up to see Harper frantically signaling him. He placed the gas cap on and followed Harper. When Benny saw what Harper was so frantic about, he picked up the clothes and sniffed them.

the trashcan and made his way inside the station. "What can I do for you, sir?" The clerk asked. "Do you have security cameras?" Benny asked in return. "Sure do. Why do you ask?"

"So, they're Kalea's?" Harper asked, and Benny nodded. He dropped the clothes back into

"I'm sorry, but unless you're law enforcement, I can't—" "My niece may have been here last night. I need to see which direction she went in. That's all," Benny hurriedly said. The clerk could see that Benny was desperate.

and sure enough, Benny saw Kalea walk up to the station. The clerk gasped in horror when

"No. It's ne. Please do not get the cops involved," Benny quickly stated. He watched the

going to clean herself up. "Can you fast-forward it?" The clerk nodded. It was about two

hours later when Kalea emerged in different clothing and a backpack. "Is there a store

"No, but we do have a donation bin. She must have rummaged through there." They

continued to watch as they witnessed Kalea speak to a couple pumping gas.

CCTV footage and saw Kalea go around the back of the station. He was sure that she was

"Okay. But please, don't let this get back to my boss." "It will be our secret." The clerk nodded and pulled up the footage from the previous night,

"Can you zoom in?" "Sorry, no." Benny sighed when he saw that the couple gave Kalea food, water, and a ride. He saw the direction that the car left in. He thanked the clerk for his help and ran out.

It didn't take them long to arrive at the bus station that the couple had dropped Kalea at. Benny asked the sales representative at the ticket booth to see their footage as well, which they outright refused. Even though he begged and used the same line he had with the service station clerk, the bus station representative wouldn't budge.

"We don't have time!" Benny snarled, making Harper jump. He quickly got in the car

"Ma'am, my cousin is missing, and we're just trying to nd her," Harper interjected.

"Then can you tell us if any busses left here last night?" Harper asked.

"I don't care. Buses fall under federal jurisdiction. I can't just give you information on a

"Thank you!" Harper said sincerely. "Yes, thank you," Benny said as well. They hopped back in the car and headed in the direction of Yellowstone National Park. It took them about eight hours to travel across the state while stopping at every city to see if they could catch Kalea's scent. They tried to ask several other bus stations for the CCTV footage, but none were willing to help. All they

could do was ask questions about routes the buses would take. Searching for Kalea was

found to be more tedious than Harper initially expected, mainly because Kalea didn't travel

on foot but took a bus, which completely masked her scent. Additionally, it didn't help that

Benny was putting in most of the work in locating Kalea's whereabouts, as he was the only

northwest, Benny and Harper came upon another bus stop out on the outskirts of a small

town. One thing that caught Benny's attention was the clear werewolf pawprints in the dirt.

"Harper, do you see those?" Benny asked. Harper nodded. "We're near a pack. What pack

one familiar with her scent. A scent similar to the Queen's. After traveling further

"I don't know. I didn't think there were any packs in an abandoned town like this." "It's because it's abandoned that there is a pack nearby. No humans to bother them."

"Maybe if we shifted and got their attention, we could ask around," Harper suggested.

Benny didn't like the idea of showing themselves, but they had no other choice. If Kalea

was traveling through, other packs, even small non-violent ones, could mistake her for a

rogue and potentially kill her. Benny and Harper stripped down so as not to shred their

clothes and shifted into their wolves. Benny's wolf is large brown with white patches

throughout his fur, while Harper's wolf is smaller in comparison but a dark grey with a

They ran through the abandoned town away from the main road, and in less than ve

minutes, Benny could sense wolves coming in their direction. He skids to a stop and

makes sure that Harper's wolf is behind him. It didn't take long before a small pack

"Please, Alpha, we're not rogues. We mean no harm. We are looking for someone. We think she may have passed through here on a bus." The wolves sit on their haunches and look to their Alpha for instructions. The Alpha steps forward again and sniffs Benny a few times. He can sense that Benny is powerful, even more powerful than him, but not an Alpha, and

this intrigues him. The Alpha shifts back and is a man that appears to be in his mid to late

"With all due respect, Alpha, I am bound by my Alpha's command never to disclose our

the fallen Silver Moon pack." Harper's wolf submits to the Alpha as soon as he is

pack to anyone. But my name is Benajmin Scout. And his young lad in Harper. He's from

"Silver Moon, huh? It's a shame what happened to them. I heard that their Luna isn't their

rightful Luna. And that the attack was a punishment from the goddess herself for what

surrounded them. A large black wolf steps forward and snarls at Benny and Harper. Benny

"We haven't had any lone wolf pass through our lands. But the bus that she may have been on does go to the next town several miles away." "Which town would that be?" Benny asked. "Dubois. It is a small town with human civilization, and the pack member of the local pack is the Sheriff." "Thank you," Benny turned to shift but was stopped by the Alpha.

"Before you go, you must know that the pack that runs those lands is not to be tried with.

Their Alpha will be returning from training with the Elders, and he does not take kindly to

"The Hounds of the Night Pack. They're the strongest in the region, and they have nearly

"Their former Alpha was rumored to be a pureblood. He died after a battle with rogues

when his Luna was killed. They left behind their only son, Edward. He's the new Alpha."

"I see. Thank you for the information. I will tread lightly. Let's go, Harper." Benny shifted

back to his wolf, and the two headed back to the car to continue their search for Kalea.

Benny was afraid something may have happened to her, but he knew deep down that if

The Alpha watched as Benny and Harper retreated. He scrutinized the two and was oddly

from. He was even more intrigued by the powerful aura that Benny exuded when speaking.

curious as to how Benny could override his command to disclose what pack he came

"You heard him. He said that his Alpha's command holds more authority than mine."

"But how is that possible? All Alpha's are considered the same when it comes to

"You're right; however, there is one Alpha who is considered more powerful."

"Alpha, how was he able to override your command?" The pack's Beta asked.

Kalea hadn't survived, Tobias and Renee would have felt the loss of their only heir.

500 pack members. They protect the national park and the surrounding lands."

"I'm looking for a young girl. She was part of the pack and ran during the attack. I am her

guardian, and she ran because her wolf has not yet emerged from her slumber."

"Who?" "You need to brush up on your history, Randall," The Alpha sneered. "Only one Alpha in the entire world is more powerful than any other Alpha, and that's the Alpha King."

"The one and only." Randall furrowed his brows and stared off in the direction that Benny

around the town. I want to know who that wolf is. If he's from the Royal Pack, then the girl

Benny and Harper went to Dubois and found the local Sheriff. If the information provided

"Sir, we should be careful. I've heard of the Hounds of the Night Pack. They're as ruthless

"I'm a Royal Guard, Harper, and the Princess is my responsibility. I will do whatever it takes

responded and left the car. He watched as Benny entered the Sheriff's station. He had to

calm his nerves and hype himself up to even get out of the car. The stories and rumors

about the Hounds plagued his nightmares ever since he was a child, and even thinking

"You got this, Harper. You can do this. Mr. Scout is a bada*s ninja warrior. He'll protect

you," Harper said to himself. He continued his mantra a few more times before nodding

his head and opening the car door. But as soon as he did, he grabbed by the back of the

that they were entering their territory had him practically peeing his pants.

to ensure she is safe and unharmed. Anyone who harms will answer to me," Benny

by the small pack's Alpha were accurate, then he would be a pack member of the local

and Harper ran off in. "When we get back, I want you to pull the security footage from

as*aulted him. "You smell like one," one of the men said.

"What?" Harper quickly sniffed himself and found that the man was right. Harper did, in

fact, start to smell like a rogue. "Dammit, this is what I get for denouncing my pack," he

"Harper, are you alright?" Benny asked. He came rushing out when he heard the ruckus.

"I'm not a rogue!" Harper exclaimed and rolled over onto his stomach to see who had

"How the f*ck should I know? It's not like I was there when they captured her." "Where is she now?" "In the dungeon. Which is where you two are going. GET THEM!!" The men surrounded

Harper and Benny. Harper was ready to shift to protect himself, but he noticed that Benny

"Uh, Mr. Scout, I think it's time we kicked some a*s, don't you think?" Harper whispered.

"If the Gamma of this pack took the Princess, then we must allow them to take us to her."

"Gentlemen, we do not wish to ght. We surrender."

"What do you mean, no!?" Harper exclaimed in surprise.

heard. "Eddie! Dude!" They heard a voice. "Where is she!?" They heard someone else shout. "West wing, Alpha," a guard replied. Harper quirked an eyebrow and then looked at Benny, who didn't say or do anything. They heard more shouting and arguing, but it was all incoherent due to the echoing. It didn't take long for them to hear someone storming out

nothing!" He hollered. "Shut up, prisoner!" A guard shouted. Harper grumbled. Just then, a loud ruckus could be

of the dungeon. "You were saying?" Benny snorted at Harper. "Okay. I guess she is here."

"Lookie here, boys, another rogue!" "I am not a rogue. I am a lone wolf. And I do not appreciate you scoundrels ruining my car," Benny snarled. "Thanks for the support, Mr. Scout," Harper huffed and rolled off the car. "What do you fellas reckon the Gamma will do when we bring back some rogues to f*ck up," one of the men asked. "What do you mean by more rogues?" Benny asked. "I don't see how that's any of your business."

Five days later

"Enlighten me." "Alright, punk, since you asked so nicely. Our Gamma and his brother captured some female rogue yesterday. F*cked her up pretty bad, too," the man and his friends laughed. "What did this female look like?" Benny questioned.

calm and relaxed Benny. "Patience is a virtue, Harper," Benny stated.

"I've been patient for what feels like forever. Kalea isn't here. We were captured for

"You know, the whole point of getting captured was to nd Kalea. But we've been here for

ve f*cking days, and there is no sign of her!" Harper whined as he stared at the ever-so-