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"Wait... esd .... eqt", the sentences the cat wanted to say came out cut off because of Kayden's mana dominance. But it was enough for him to see that the cat didn't want a fight. He stopped his hold and waited for the beast to communicate. 1

"Hello! My name is Felix and I'm a shadow and snow cat. I want to join your gang!" Even though the thesis message didn't have any voice, Kayden felt like it was a cute and childish voice.

" Why? How did you find me?" Kayden was sure he had stacked several camouflage spells before he started cultivating.

"I've been following you for 1 and a half years and taking advantage of the scraps of meat and food you leave behind. I can hide in the shadows." The cat simply disappeared in Kayden's eyes and not even his spiritual sense could find it.

"Can you attack in this form?" Kayden realized he could have died thousands of times in that time.

"No, if I manipulate mana I have a small delay to come out of the shadows. It's just enough for my target to be able to defend himself hurriedly." The cat stepped out of the shadows and threw five black cuts from its claws at a nearby tree.

Kayden understood that he could easily defend himself from that and react in time. This eased his mind a little, but the feeling of being chased and watched was still not completely eradicated.

"Why do you want to join me and how many lightning bolts did you get? I won't accept less than five lightning bolts." Kayden had high standards and played something that would have been impossible for the cat to have.

"Animals walk in packs, only the strong can be

alone and even they have their pack. I've been alive for about 150 crystal cycles. Each crystal cycle was about a year from the surface and I don't want to die from old age. I want to see what's above the crystals and for that, I need strong allies and I got five rays in my three advances."

The sentence came as a big block of information to Kayden and took him by surprise. In the past, he would have formed a friendship and companion pact with the cat, but the Kayden of today?

"BOOOM!"

Kayden fired a bolt of lightning at point-blank range at the feline and the animal, which had no malice and wasn't even expecting anything like that, received the attack in full. Then came an aura slash that knocked two of its paws into the air. Without letting him rest, Kayden utilized his dominance to the maximum and approached at high speed. Five claw attacks came at Kayden directly, each of them had a dark color and as soon as it touched his katana

it began to hiss as if it was corroding it with acid.

Along with that, several sharp ice boulders began to fall on Kayden. Unfortunately, they were useless and barely got within 1 meter of Kayden before it came apart entirely. Kayden continued bombarding the cat and blocked any attempts by the animal to communicate.

In the past, he would have felt sorry for the actions he was taking, but he broke down a long time ago and had already abandoned ethics and morals. Every time the feline tried to hide in the shadows, Kayden threw stronger attacks and prevented him from continuing.

Even with severe injuries, Felix managed to defend himself and attack to the point that Kayden had some cuts on his shoulder. At that moment, the boy began to camouflage his presence with dozens of mana points that were identical to him and launched the same attacks.

The cat didn't know why it was being attacked and was fighting for its life. With every second that passed, he felt more tired, mainly because he couldn't recover the mana he was spending.

"That was almost..." Kayden thought in his mind as he dodged claw slashes that came from his own shadow. Without thinking much, he erected a small artificial sun and all the shadows that were in the region disappeared, leaving only a few artificial ones made by Felix.

The animal could jump from one shadow to another and simply teleport. This was the first time Kayden had seen something like this, but luckily for him, Felix couldn't get out of his grasp.

Slowly, the fight lasted for more than an hour to the point that the cat no longer had any mana for any type of attack. The fight ended with Kayden having dozens of cuts on his body several of them showing his bones. Within seconds, Kayden completely knocked out the cat and, without wasting even a second, began drawing a pentagram on the floor.

Several minutes later, a tree of complex runes lay on the ground with the cat at the center of them. Kayden activated it and all the surrounding mana turned dark as it entered the beast's body. Kayden guided the mana to two points: one of them was the animal's heart that functioned as its core and the other was the feline's head.

The animal began to scream in pain even unconsciously as black mana penetrated every part of its brain. In a few minutes, the process was finished and Kayden fell to the floor next to him, exhausted. This type of magic required great control and an even greater amount of mana.

"Wake up, Felix." With Kayden's order, the cat's eyes opened and its first action was to try to run, but heavy chains and mana prevented any movement of its body.

"I put a slave chain on you. At my command, your body performs any action I want, even if I ask you to kill yourself. Your request to join my pack has been accepted, but I must ensure

your loyalty in this way." This was one of the spells that Han placed in the forbidden area of his book.

There were only a few dozen in those pages, but each one was dark and vile. Torture spells or spells that could cause mass massacres were placed in this part. As soon as reality set in, the cat started screaming and growling at Kayden.

"Don't look at me like that, your wish will still be fulfilled. Take this and try to heal yourself." Kayden threw one of the pills he still had into the spatial ring. This was a fourth realm pill, and as soon as the cat ate it mechanically, its body was completely restored.

"Stop," Kayden ordered just as the cat tried to attack him again. "You cannot attack me or plot against me. Any such action will result in instant death from now on. Furthermore, you cannot go more than 100 meters away from me without my orders and you must appear in front of me once a day." As soon as Kayden said that, he released the animal from any mana pressure and instantly Felix disappeared into

the shadows.

Unfortunately for him, as soon as he reached a distance of 100 meters, he felt a pang in his heart. If he took just a few steps forward, he would be killed. Without having much to do, he just hovered around Kayden for the next few days.

For the first time in his life, he developed emotions such as hatred and distrust. In the past, he was mostly driven by instincts, but Kayden opened a new world to him. He appeared in front of Kayden for less than a second that day. It was only a week later that he accepted his fate and appeared above Kayden for the longest time.

"You are already strong, why do you need a slave?" The cat could not understand feelings like avarice and greed. He spent a lot of time just alone and never interacted with humans.

"You are not my slave, I just did this so as not to be betrayed. I can take you out of this abyss.

Since you came to talk to me, I will finally give you two options: step into your shadow and never appear in front of me again, or come with me as a companion." The first option would result in the animal's death, but Kayden wouldn't tell him that.

"Prove to me that you can get out of here," the cat said childishly. Kayden pulled out something he never expected to have to use here, a bag of canned food to last decades appeared in his hands.

"I came from the surface, look at this and smell it." What was in Kayden's hands was a plastic wrapper, something that would never appear naturally in the abyss. Immediately the cat recognized that this was not a natural material. "Besides, I can promise with mana." Kayden used a spell that demonstrated that he was telling the truth, making the cat believe it.

"Why are you here then? This is a big prison," the cat grumbled.

"We are in a kind of abyss, on the surface our level is somewhat pathetic and we have hundreds of thousands. I will only leave here when I reach satisfactory strength ." The new information was easily assimilated by the cat who was already expecting something like this.

"As? If dragonflies kill us easily," the cat had been trapped in the third level for many years and saw several beasts more powerful than him succumb, even some with six rays were killed at the cost of a few billion moths.