

## Chapter 1

### Lachie King and Scarlet

Lachie-“Scarlet! Stop right there!”

Scarlet-“Catch me if you can!”

Scarlet had once again been breaking the rules.

She was wearing the normal girl’s uniform, a red shirt and a short green skirt and had red hair and green eyes.

Lachie was wearing a light blue shirt, a blazer with an insignia depicting a knight on the left and a dragon on the right, a black tie, grey shorts, green socks, black shoes and a red armband that read: *Justice*. He had light blue eyes and black hair.

This time, she was running in the hallway.

Eventually she got to class, however her teacher was already there and she was not impressed.

Lachie immediately caught up with her.

Lachie-“Sorry she’s late! I will give her a thorough talking to during lunch. Anyway, I’m going to go now so I’m not late for my class. Bye!”

Ms. Claire-“Thank you for at least getting her up.”

Scarlet entered the class.

Her best friend, Sarah informed her of what she had missed.

Meanwhile, Lachie went to his classroom, sat down and got out his note book for the class.

The lunch break soon arrived and Lachie went to Scarlet’s class to talk to her.

Lachie-“When will you start waking up on time?”

Scarlet-“Maybe if you helped me prank someone?”

Lachie-“I guess that’s never then.”

He got his lunch out and started eating.

Scarlet-“You know, I’d think you’d make a great husband. After all, your cooking is legendary.”

Lachie-“Thank you, but I don’t have any plans to go out with anyone soon.”

After school ended, he went to his favorite café, the creamy cat café.

He sat down and ordered one coffee to go.

There, he met Charles, who tasked him with assassinating a man named John, who had intercepted a letter of their latest plans.

Charles was 20, had a muscular build and was rather imposing.

Charles-“By the way, the boss says: I’m sure you’ll do me proud.”

Lachie-“Understood.”

He was last spotted in the Queen Street Mall.

Lachie headed there and found him ordering his lunch.

He followed him to his table and poisoned it when he went to the bathroom, however, he was noticed.

John-“Turn around!”

Lachie did so.

John was shocked, as if he had seen a ghost.

While he was shocked, Lachie created an ice room, a space where no one could see what was happening in it.

He froze John’s heart and lungs then and there, after which he retrieved the letter.

Lachie also discovered that there was a picture of John with a girl around his age.

He undid the room after he left the restaurant.

Everyone who saw the dead body screamed and then called the police.

## Chapter 2

### Will and Sam

After the police established the crime scene, all the civilians left.

Will, the second smartest police officer and Sam, his partner were investigating.

Will-“So, the ice-killer struck again.”

Sam-“Really? I thought he went into hiding?”

Will-“The old one is in hiding, but this one is different, like the old one is raising his son.”

Sam-“Even if that’s the case, who is this person?”

Will noticed a piece of paper on the ground.

On it was written was Lachie’s full name.

Lachie James King.

The only son of Mathew James King, one of the greatest police captains to exist, who was currently dead, infiltrating the Edward crime family as a mole.

Will’s thoughts-“*What are you doing, kid?*”

Meanwhile, Lachie headed back to his room on the campus to do his homework, not that there was much left.

After finishing it, Lachie lied down on his bed and went to bed.

## Chapter 3

### Alex and Margaret

Mr. Jonathan-“Alright, class. Today we have two transfer students. One from Melbourne and the other from here in Brisbane.”

Alex-“Hey. I’m Alex.”

He was handsome, wearing a suit and tie, and black shoes.

He sat down without a word and ignored all the girls’ stares.

Margaret-“Nice to meet you all, I am Margaret.”

She was wearing a blue shirt and a long red skirt

Lachie recognized her as the girl in the picture that John had.

Margaret sat down next to Lachie.

Margaret-“What’s your name?”

Lachie-“My name is Lachie.”

Margaret-“Can you show me around?”

Lachie-“Sure. I don’t mind.”

Margaret-“Thank you.”

After the first class was over, Lachie showed Margaret the way to her next class.

During the lunch break, Lachie met up with Margaret at her class to give her a tour of the school.

On the third floor of the home economics building in the recreational facility areas, Scarlet and Sarah walked up to Lachie.

Lachie-“What is it?”

Scarlet-“You’re not going to address me by name?”

Margaret-“By name? You two know each other?”

Lachie-“Unfortunately, yes.”

Scarlet-“You didn’t have to say that.”

Sarah-“By the way, Margaret, do you plan on living in the dorms?”

Margaret-“I didn’t know that.”

Scarlet-“I live here. If you want, I can help you apply.”

Margaret-“I’ll keep it in mind.”

When school was over, Sam went to the front entrance of the school as Lachie and Margret were leaving to let her know what had happened to her grandfather.

She broke down in tears.

Lachie-“Don’t worry; I’m sure everything’s going to be fine. We’ll support you as best we can.”

Margaret-“How can anything be fine if his killer is still on the loose?! I can’t stand my own parents! They’d be happy about this!”

Lachie-“We don’t know that!”

Sam-“Unfortunately, yes. They would be. You see, her parents single-handedly decided what their daughter’s job should be without listening to her feelings.”

Lachie-“That would be?”

Sam-“She wants to be a chef while her parents want her to be a scientist.”

Lachie-“You going to arrest them?”

Sam-“ No. Even if we do have probable cause to, we need actual proof. We have to go through the proper procedure.”

Lachie-“I guess we have to let her live here in the dorms.”

Margaret-“Hey Lachie, could you please help me apply to live in the dorm?”

Lachie-“Sure. Come with me.”

Margaret followed Lachie to the principal’s office.

Principal-“It’s not often you make requests, Lachie. So, what do you need?”

Lachie-“Margaret would like to live in the dorms. Could you please give her a form?”

The principal called in Vanessa, the head of the girls dorm.

Vanessa had black hair and black eyes.

Vanessa-“Unfortunately, there’s no room left in the female dorms. Not until December at least.”

Principal-“What about Scarlet?”

Vanessa-“She lives with Sarah.”

Lachie-“I have a suggestion. She lives with me.”

Principal-“Lachie. You’re trustworthy, work hard and you are respectable, however, we want you to give us a good reason as to why.”

Lachie-“Family circumstances.”

Vanessa-“We need proof.”

Margaret unrolled her right sleeve.

There was a huge scar on it.

Principal-“Fine. We’ll allow it.”

He called Mr. Harris, the head of the boy’s dorm, into the room.

Mr. Harris had yellow hair, green eyes and was wearing his usual blue shirt and red pants.

After hearing the Principal’s and Vanessa’s explanation, he decided to allow Margaret to stay in Lachie’s room.

Mr. Harris-“Before you enter, don’t forget your luggage.”

Margaret-“It’s...at my parents house.”

Mr. Harris-“Then let me get it.”

Margaret-“It’s the suitcase in the far right room on the top floor. The door is on the left.”

Mr. Harris-“What about your address?”

Margaret-“It’s 8 Drake street.”

Lachie-“We’ll meet you at my room, Mr. Harris.”

Mr. Harris-“Understood.”

## Chapter 4

### Lachie's room

Lachie showed Margaret to his room.

It was in the style of an apartment, with a bunk bed on the right, a microwave to above the fridge. In the bathroom, there was a sink, a washing machine and a shower.

Lachie-“Sit down and relax, Margaret. I still need to get the form for what you want to study.”

With that, Lachie left.

While she was alone, Margaret decided to sit down at the desk next to the fridge.

She was anxious about what her parents would do if they found out she was living with a boy.

Without her realizing, there was a knock on the door.

Margaret-“Come in.”

Mr. Harris entered.

Margaret-“Did you see me parents?”

Mr. Harris-“No. I was able to sneak past them, thanks to a certain trick.”

Margaret-“Hey, what would happen if my parents were to force me to go back home?”

Mr. Harris smiled.

Mr. Harris-“Then, they’d have to deal with Lachie. You see, he studies law. He wouldn’t allow something like abuse happen to you at home if he knew there was a safer place to stay.”

Lachie came back and entered.

Lachie-“I see you’re back, Mr. Harris.”

Mr. Harris-“That I am.”

Lachie placed the class form on the desk.

From the top there was-

*Aeronautics*

*Basketball*

*Home economics*

*Law*

*Math*

*Science*

*Tennis*

*Self-Defence*

Margaret-“There aren’t a lot to choose from.”

Lachie-“It’s because we can’t afford new facilities at the moment.”

Margaret-“Is Home economics for cooking?”

Lachie-“Yes, it is, though there’s also a cafeteria. The chefs working there would probably welcome you.”

Margaret-“Then I’m definitely putting a tick next to it. Say, what do you think I should pick next?”

Lachie-“Tennis and Math.”

Margaret-“I can understand math, but why tennis?”

Lachie-“Simple: Hand-eye coordination.”

Meanwhile, Scarlet and Sarah were trying to talk with Alex.

## Chapter 5

### Alex's full name

At the bus station that goes out of the school, Scarlet and Sarah walked up to Alex.

Scarlet-“Hey Alex, want to hang out with us?”

Alex-“No.”

Sarah-“Why?”

Alex-“None of your business.”

Scarlet-“Let me ask you this: is there a reason?”

Alex-“Yes.”

She ran off.

Sarah-“Sorry about this.”

Alex-“I don't care. Just don't bother me.”

Scarlet returned with Lachie.

Scarlet-“Lachie, try and convince Alex to hang out with us!”

Lachie-“Does he want to?”

Scarlet-“No.”

Lachie-“I won’t then.”

Sarah-“Excuse us, then.”

Scarlet took Sarah back to their dorm room.

Alex-“Thank you. Could you tell me your name?”

Lachie-“It’s Lachie James King.”

Alex-“I guess that means we’re similar. After all, my full name is Alex Montgomery Bell.”

Lachie-“I see now why you don’t like girls. It’s because you feel as though they love you for your money and not you as a person.”

The bus arrived.

Alex-“If you’ll excuse me.”

Lachie-“Of course.”

As Lachie started walking back to the dorms, he felt the temperature increasing.

Before he collapsed, he noticed a salamander walking towards the school.

## Chapter 6

### Sam Montgomery Bell

The salamander walked into Mr. Harris's office and changed into a human.

This was Sam Montgomery Bell, the older brother of Alex.

Mr. Harris-"Good to see you again, Sam."

Sam-"The same to you. I've come here for two things. First up is I want you to help Alex overcome misconceptions with women."

Mr. Harris-"What about number 2?"

Sam-"It pertains to Lachie. It seems someone is using him to kill people."

Mr. Harris-"Do you have any leads?"

Sam-"I'm pretty sure I know who it is, but we lack any evidence."

Mr. Harris-"So, who is your suspect?"

Sam-"The current ice elemental master, James Edward the 3<sup>rd</sup>."

Mr. Harris-“If it is true, how do you suppose we find him?”

Sam-“We could always ask Elizabeth Shirogane.”

Mr. Harris-“True, she can go underwater, plus she is from that famous family of investigators.”

Sam-“I’d like to not involve her though. I mean, he’s using her nephew. She’d basically drown an entire suburb just to find him.”

Mr. Harris-“That would be troublesome.”

Sam-“Anyway, I need to get back to work now.”

Sam left and went to the police station.

## Chapter 7

### Dinner time

Lachie was back in his room after being carried there by Sam.

Lachie soon woke up and looked up at the clock hanging on his door. It read 4:30pm.

Margaret was nowhere to be seen.

Lachie guessed she was in the shower.

He called Sarah to take care of Margaret while he went to his after-school activity, a mock trial.

He left a note on the desk and told her to meet him at the cafeteria at 5:30pm.

While Lachie was heading towards the room for the mock trial, Sarah knocked on the door.

Margaret didn't answer.

If she didn't come the next time she knocked, she would have to call the dorm head.

She knocked again and there was still no answer.

After calling Mr. Harris to the room, they found Margaret in the corner, trying to hide.

Sarah-“Hey, Margaret, it’s me Sarah. Come here, let me show you around the school.”

Margaret-“No! Stay away!”

Sarah-“Why?”

Margaret-“You just want to take me back to my parents, don’t you?!”

Sarah-“Why would I do that? If I did, Lachie wouldn’t let me hear the end of it, so come with me.”

Margaret-“Only if I get to see Lachie.”

Sarah-“Alright, I’ll take you to where he should be right now.”

They left for the law building.

When he got up, he noticed Margaret was with Sarah.

Lachie-“Good evening, Sarah and Margaret.”

Sarah-“Hey Lachie. Margaret was most likely experiencing hallucinations after you left.”

Lachie-“That’s not good. Don’t worry, Margaret, I will help you solve any problem that might come your way.”

Margaret-“Sure.”

She said so while teary-eyed.

Lachie-“Shall we get dinner?”

Margaret-“Right.”

They walked side by side to the cafeteria.

On the dinner menu was either ravioli carbonara with coffee or curry with water.

Margaret chose the curry while Lachie chose the ravioli.

Margaret-“You don’t like spicy food?”

Lachie-“No. It’s too hot for my taste buds.”

He gulped down the coffee in one sip.

Margaret-“You really enjoy your coffee, don’t you?”

Lachie-“I was born and raised in Italy. Eventually, I got used to the taste.”

Margaret-“Say, where are your parents?”

Everyone heard what she had asked and subsequently grew worried.

Lachie-“Never bring them up. Especially not my mother. Not after what she did.”

Margaret-“What did she do?”

Lachie-“Why should I tell you? I’ve got no reason to.”

Scarlet soon arrived with Sarah.

Lachie-“Good evening.”

Scarlet and Sarah had both gotten the ravioli set.

Margaret-“So, the both of you chose the same as Lachie? I really think you’d make a good couple. Lachie and Scarlet, that is.”

Lachie and Scarlet-“Not in a million years.”

Margaret-“Why not?”

Lachie-“Simple-she’s too laid back.”

Scarlet-“We also rarely agree on things.”

Lachie-“We just did though.”

Scarlet-“True.”

Lachie-“I don’t know why I have to keep her safe. She can look after herself. Her only problem is not getting to class on time.”

Scarlet-“I can’t believe my dad would ask him to make sure I was okay.”

Sarah-“Despite what he says, Lachie would make sure that Scarlet is safe and sound.”

Margaret-“Why?”

Sarah-“He doesn’t want another person close to him to die.”

Margaret-“How did this other person die?”

Sarah-“I’m not telling. It’s none of your concern.”

Margaret-“Say, what’s Lachie’s favorite food?”

Sarah-“Why?”

Margaret-“I want to make him lunch for tomorrow.”

Sarah-“It’s tortellini.”

Margaret went to one of the chefs and asked if she could make lunch for someone tomorrow, however, they had no pasta left, so she decided to make noodles.

When the food had finished cooking, it was 7:00pm.

Sarah had stayed behind to make sure Margaret didn't break down.

Sarah-"Lachie should be in his room now. He'll be doing his nightly patrol later on, starting at 9:00pm."

Margaret-"Why that late?"

Sarah-"He's head of the disciplinary committee. He takes his position very seriously."

Margaret-"Understandable."

Sarah-"We should start heading back now, otherwise Lachie will start worrying."

Margaret-"How did he get the position and when did he attain it?"

Sarah-"He won by most popular vote and only got it one year earlier."

Margaret-"So, he ran for it?" Why, though?"

Sarah-"He hates three things. He despises lawbreakers, liars and bullies."

They arrived at Lachie's room at 7:15pm.

He was doing his homework.

Meanwhile, Mr. Harris was calling someone overseas.

A mysterious man picked up.

Mysterious man-“Hey, it’s been a long time. What can I do for you?”

Mr. Harris-“Sam suspects that the current ice elemental master is using one of my students to carry out murders. I was wondering if you could help me find him.”

Mysterious man-“If he is, he will be punished accordingly with the laws of the masters. Just out of curiosity, who is it this student?”

Mr. Harris-“It’s Lachie James King.”

Mysterious man-“That man’s son, eh? I was his father’s nemesis. Out of all of the officers that were after me, only he was able to match my wits. If he is using his son to commit crimes, then I want to personally punish him.”

Mr. Harris-“Mathew asked me to look after him at school while he infiltrated the Edward crime family. My guess is that he was discovered as a mole and his son was punished.”

Mysterious man-“I planned to steal the chunk of adamantite from the Edward crime family anyway. That man should come out of hiding when I do. By the way, what do you think of him?”

Mr. Harris-“He’s a good person. I think his dad would be proud of him and he takes his duties as head of the disciplinary committee seriously.”

Mysterious Man-“I see. Anyway, after studying his movements, I’d say the most likely place for him to be is at a café. As its boss.”

Mr. Harris-“Then it’s probably the one Lachie frequents, the Neko Nyan Maid café. Should I notify Sam?”

Mysterious Man-“Probably not until we get credible evidence. In the meantime, I’ll come over and look into it.”

Mr. Harris-“Sure.”

The mysterious man ended the call.

He jumped out of the window behind him and started flying towards the school.

It was fairly easy to see where he was going thanks it being morning.

By staying close to the sky, he was able to stay hidden.

He eventually reached the school while Lachie was patrolling outside.

As he descended, Lachie noticed him and immediately fired an ice dagger.

## Chapter 8

James Andrew V

Mysterious Man-“Where did you get that power?”

Lachie-“I have no reason to tell someone like you.”

Mysterious Man-“Why is that?”

Lachie-“You’re intruding on school grounds this late. I can only assume that you’re up to something bad.”

Mysterious Man-“That’s right. You don’t have proof.”

Lachie-“Then prove to me that someone called you here.”

Mysterious Man-“Mr. Harris called me here to investigate something.”

Lachie-“Let’s hear it then. Your phone call, that is.”

Mysterious Man-“That was recorded with my office phone.”

Lachie-“Then, shall I ask him to come here to prove it?”

Mysterious Man-“Go ahead. I’m surprised, though. You’re openly talking to me. I thought you would’ve been more serious.”

Lachie wordlessly called Mr. Harris.

Mr. Harris arrived.

Mr. Harris-“What did you call me for? I’m still grading the assignments you know.”

Lachie asked-“Did you ask this person to come here?”  
While pointing his flashlight at the supposed intruder.

Mr. Harris-“Indeed I did ask James Andrew V to come. I wanted to investigate something with him.”

James Andrew-“You sure we should be discussing this in front of some student?”

Lachie’s thoughts-“*James Andrew V? I know I’ve heard it somewhere before! Where, though?...*”

Then it came to him.

Lachie-“It’s been a long time, my father’s rival.”

James Andrew-“Then you’re Mathew’s son? You should come with us as the investigation centers around you.”

Lachie-“Yes, I am Mathew’s son.”

Lachie silently went with Mr. Harris and James.

James Andrew-“I’m surprised you’re not trying to stop me.”

Lachie-“I’m only doing this because Mr. Harris said he called you here. That’s all.”

Mr. Harris, James Andrew and Lachie all headed to his office, where they couldn’t be overheard.

Mr. Harris-“Lachie, do you know of a man named Edward?”

Lachie’s thoughts-“*I know of him. He’s the one asking me to assassinate my targets, but if I say yes, then he’ll go after my mum. I hate her, though not to the point where I want to her to die.*”

Lachie-“No.”

Mr. Harris-“You may go back now.”

Lachie-“Goodbye.”

When he left, Mr. Harris noticed his lie and gave James Andrew a teaching permit.

Lachie returned to his dorm room to find Margaret and Sarah waiting inside.

Margaret started blushing.

Margaret-“Would y-you be willing to try my food for I-lunch tomorrow?”

Lachie-“Sure. I don’t mind.”

Margaret-“Thank you!”

Sarah-“I’m going to head to my dorm room now. Good night.”

Margaret-“She’s like a caring big sister, that Sarah.”

Lachie-“Yeah. She is.”

Margaret-“You know, you’re pretty down to Earth for someone who is supposed to keep order at school.”

Lachie-“That’s because of what my dad taught me.”

Margaret-“I’d love to meet him someday.”

Lachie-“He’s dead.”

Margaret-“What happened?”

Lachie-“I’m not telling. You shouldn’t get involved further.”

Margaret-“Can I at least ask you why you hate criminals?”

Lachie-“They killed someone close to me, that’s all.”

Margaret-“My condolences.”

Lachie-“Thanks. Good night.”

## Chapter 9

### Learning to cook

The next morning, Lachie woke up and noticed a spider on the ceiling.

He immediately killed it by freezing it.

After disposing of it quietly, he got changed and while was waiting for Margaret to wake up, he called Scarlet's room to wake her up.

Scarlet answered.

Scarlet-“What do you want this early in the morning?”

Lachie-“It's 7am. The assembly starts in 15 minutes.”

Scarlet-“I guess you want me to come over and take care of Margaret?”

Lachie-“No, actually. Just make sure if she does start getting scared, comfort her.”

Scarlet-“That's kind of mean.”

Lachie-“Mean or not, she needs to be able to relax when she's alone.”

Scarlet-“If you say so. See you later.”

Lachie-“See you later.”

He headed to the gym.

Since the chairs were all unfolded, he went up onto the stage and got the podium and microphone ready.

After doing so, he sat down on a chair on the stage, waiting for Sakuta Suzumi, the student council president, to arrive.

She arrived twelve minutes before the assembly was to due to start.

She had red hair and amber colored eyes and was wearing her white colored uniform.

Out of all the people in life Lachie had met, Sakuta was only one of the five people he respected in his entire life.

Her uniform was a shirt, a short skirt and a pair of shoes.

Soon after, the rest of the students arrived.

She went up to the podium.

Sakuta-“As we all enter the new year, we must remember to stay vigilant and make sure to keep watch

out for any ability or element being used. There's been a report of new conduits spotted in the city. Another thing of note is that to wear a hat when going between buildings, since it's Summer."

Lachie's thoughts-*"Yeah, like Mr. Harris and I."*

Sakuta-"We are also introducing a new teacher today. His name is Andrew. Please come up on stage!"

Lachie spat his coffee out when he saw the new teacher.

It was none other than James Andrew V, the person he had an altercation with.

Though he could warn the students, he decided against it, since it would cause unnecessary panic and it wouldn't be of any use anyway.

James Andrew-"It's nice to meet you all. Starting today, I'll be teaching 12<sup>th</sup> grade math. Specifically, shapes and areas. That is all."

Sakuta went back to the microphone stand.

After the assembly, Lachie got a phone call.

He answered.

Lachie-"I thought I told you to never call me again."

Man on other side of the phone-"Wait!"

Lachie hung up.

He headed to class, the home economics classroom.

Margaret was in the same class as him.

They were asked to make an Italian dish.

Lachie started cooking immediately.

The principal came in to see how the class was doing.

Lachie-"Morning, Principal."

Principal-"Good Morning, Lachie and class."

Margaret-"That is the principal, right?"

Lachie-"Yes, that's her."

Margaret-"Wasn't she a guy when we met yesterday?"

Lachie whispered in Margaret's ear-"The principal is a shapeshifter. Hence why no one knows the principal's true form."

Margaret dropped her food on her toes, and ruined her food.

Teacher-“Guess you’re taking the special lesson with Sakuta then.”

Margaret-“Why?”

Teacher-“She has powers.”

Margaret-“Why isn’t anyone reporting this? Do all people at this school have powers of some sort?”

Lachie-“Not everyone. Vanessa, for example. She’s unpowered.”

Margaret-“Why isn’t she afraid of anyone, then? Why not tell the police where we are? Is it because of convenience?”

Lachie-“Time to give you an explanation. This school’s name is CAUHHS. It stands for Conduit, Ability user, Human high school. No-one reports what or who we are because the people who attend this school accept each other. Not because we’re forced to, but everyone here believes in equality. If you can’t accept that, we’re going to have to ask you to leave.”

Margaret-“My grandfather graduated from this school. I’m not sure if I’m on board with this equality thing, but I

won't snitch. After all, this place is better than my parents house."

Lachie-"We're not going to force you into believing in equality. It's just if you tell the police or government about us, we'll punish you."

The lesson was over and everyone headed to lunch.

## Chapter 10

### Preparation for a raid

At the police HQ in Brisbane, the chief of police was talking with her best squad members.

Jasmine-“Alright, listen up! Tomorrow, we will be launching a raid on CAUHHS! Any questions?”

Sam put his hand up.

Jasmine-“Yes?”

Sam-“What’s the point? They’ve done nothing wrong. Besides, surely you know that there are multiple powerful conduits and ability users there.”

Jasmine-“Don’t let anyone know this, but Serena and Max ordered this. They want their daughter, Margaret, back to keep her safe.”

Sam-“Sure.”

Jasmine-“All right, this meeting is adjourned.”

Sam went somewhere quiet and texted Mr. Harris about the raid.

Mr. Harris went to the principal’s office to let him know.

Principal-“I see. Thank you, Mr. Harris, Sam. Could you please notify Lachie and Sakuta of this attack?”

Mr. Harris-“I will right away. Though aren't you worried about Lachie getting a bit extreme?”

Principal-“That shouldn't happen. After all, when Vanessa showed me the future, he didn't kill anyone.”

Mr. Harris-“All right.”

Mr. Harris immediately let Sakuta and Lachie about the raid.

They started planning out a strategy.

The plan was to let Sakuta deal with most of them while Lachie dealt with the Jasmine.

When everyone else was asleep in their houses, Sam met with the principal.

## Chapter 11

### The attack on CAUHHS

The next day, all of the police units gathered at the HQ and got ready.

Jasmine-“Remember: we are just there to bring in the conduits and ability users.”

Jasmine’s thoughts-“*Though I’m also doing this to confirm if Sam is a conduit.*”

Everybody moved out.

As soon as the police blocked off the bridge and started marching towards the school, Lachie and Sakuta noticed Jasmine leading them on the road.

They soon arrived at the gate.

Lachie headed down to greet them.

Jasmine-“What’s your name? Is there any especially dangerous people there?”

Lachie gave them a cold glare.

Lachie-“My name is Lachie James King. The only dangerous people here are you. Please leave, for your sake.”

Jasmine-“Then you’re his son? I had heard that he married an Italian wo-”

Lachie-“Don’t even try to mention that name in front of me. She’s not my Mother.”

Jasmine-“Sorry, but we need to bring you in for questioning regarding an incident.”

Lachie-“I had a small sliver of hope that you weren’t like the others, but I guess I was wrong.”

Jasmine-“Weren’t like the others?”

Lachie-“Let me ask you this-do you believe in cause and effect?”

Jasmine-“Cause and effect?”

Lachie-“Let’s say someone else caused you a great deal of pain. For example, what if they drove you, a friend or family member to suicide? In retaliation, you go after them and make them suffer the same way you did. That’s cause and effect.”

Jasmine-“So you’re using cause and effect as an excuse?”

Lachie-“No. I’m using it as justification, however, before we go on, you need to tell me your name.”

Jasmine-“The name’s Jasmine, the chief of police in Brisbane.”

Lachie-“Well, then, Jasmine. I must once again ask you and your police friends to leave. If not, things will get ugly and I don’t want that.”

Jasmine-“Unfortunately, I can’t do that.”

The police units charged past Lachie.

Lachie stopped Jasmine though.

Lachie-“Let’s have a look at your aura, shall we?”

Jasmine-“What’s your game?”

Lachie-“To understand the type of person you are. To see if you can be persuaded.”

Jasmine fired a pistol shot at him.

Lachie-“ I see. A strong sense of justice and an unwavering sense of duty.”

Jasmine-“What did you use to determine that?!”

Lachie-“My extrasensory ability.”

Jasmine-“Then that means you’re a conduit.”

Lachie-“So, you’re not as dumb as you look.”

In an instant, Lachie disarmed her, grabbed her pistol, however, it singed his hand.

Jasmine re-picked up her gun.

Lachie cooled his hand down.

Jasmine-“Would your father be proud of you? Defending conduits and ability users?”

Lachie-“Don’t talk to me like you know my dad. I know for a fact that he would never have allowed this.”

Jasmine-“What makes you say that?”

Lachie-“My dad was someone who wanted peace above all else. The only reason conduits and ability users fight back is because you make us out to be criminals.”

Lachie instantly put her in a dead lock, rendering her immobile.

Lachie-“I’m going to let you live this time, but if you do come back with the intent of attacking us, I will not be so lenient.”

He let Jasmine go.

Jasmine-“What about my units?!”

Lachie-“Most of them should be dead, save for two. Will and Sam.”

Jasmine-“That was five minutes! How could someone deal with them that quickly?!”

Lachie-“Our lovely student council president.”

Jasmine waited for Will and Sam to return, but only Will came.

Jasmine-“Did you lie?!”

Lachie-“After all that, you still think I’d lie? Sam is very much alive. He might not return to the force after the stunt you pulled.”

Jasmine and Will left.

The PA system sounded throughout the school.

Intercom-“Would Alex Montgomery Bell please come to the principal’s office?”

Alex-“Do you mind if I go, Mr. Andrews?”

James-“Go ahead.”

Alex-“Thank you.”

## Chapter 12

### The brothers conversation

Alex opened the door to principal's room.

To his surprise, he saw his brother there.

Sam-"You came, Alex. Good."

Alex-"Why'd you call me, brother? I hope it's not about a girl."

Sam-"Unfortunately it is. The student council president wants you to be the banker."

Alex-"You expect me to just trust her after what happened to our father?"

Sam-"Of course not. Just know she's extremely smart and very pretty. If she does anything funny, just let me know."

Alex-"I'll listen for now."

Sam-"Thank you. The student council room is just across from this room."

Alex headed to the student council room.

## Chapter 13

### The student council

When he entered, he saw a female student filling out paperwork.

Alex-“So, you’re the prez?”

She looked up.

Sakuta-“Yes, I am the student council president, Sakuta Suzumi.”

Alex-“The name’s Alex Montgomery Bell. I’ve heard about the Suzumi family. Weren’t they a crime family?”

Sakuta-“I left that behind to pursue an honest life. I’ve heard that the Montgomery Bell family were bankers, but your brother is a policeman.”

Alex-“That’s true. Though you can’t blame him after what happened regarding our father.”

Sakuta-“ I’ll get straight to the point now. Do you accept or not?”

Alex-“I’ll do it. Just don’t try anything funny and you won’t die.”

Sakuta-“Thank you.”

Sarah came in.

Sakuta-“Thank you for coming in, Sarah. I’d love you to meet our banker, Alex. If you would, please show him the budget.”

Sarah passed the budget over to him.

Alex-“I’m not going to lie, this is absolutely terrible. There are no clubs to budget for, but the delivery truck plus the groceries aren’t cheap. Plus it’s going to get more expensive as more students come.”

Sakuta-“Have you got a solution?”

Alex-“If we’re not allowed to have jobs, then I don’t really have a solution. Or we could make things and sell them at a festival.”

Sakuta-“What if we asked for a donation?”

Alex-“From a wealthy family, you mean? If so, who from?”

Sakuta-“I was thinking either yours or Lachie’s.”

Alex-“I’m not too sure about Lachie’s family, but my brother will probably be ok with it.”

Sakuta-“Thank you. Anyway, we’ll need your help some more after school.”

Alex-“See you then.”

After school was over, Alex headed to the student council room.

Sakuta was the only one in there.

Alex-“Good afternoon. Where do you want me to put my bag?”

Sakuta-“Just put it on the table in the middle, please.”

Alex did so.

Sakuta-“That festival you suggested, I was thinking of maybe it being a painting one where we sell them in the gym for a night.”

Alex-“I’m going to tell you now. It’s a stupid idea. We would be wasting more money on supplies. I suggest we have a food festival. It would save money on art supplies while also giving the students some time to spend with their families.”

Sakuta-“I appreciate the suggestion. Thank you.”

There was a knock on the door.

Sakuta-“Come in.”

Sarah entered.

Sarah-“Welcome to the student council, Alex. We’re the only members of the student council. I look forward to working with you.”

Alex-“What about Lachie?”

Sakuta-“He isn’t technically on it, but he does help from time to time.”

Alex-“Interesting. So, what does he do?”

Sakuta-“He’s the head of the disciplinary committee, therefore he enforces the rules, however, his other position is one of the five guardians of CAUHHS along with me, Mr. Harris, the principal and Madeline.”

Alex-“That so? I’m curious though about why he wanted to come to this school.”

Sakuta-“No-one knows apart from him. You can try and ask him, but he won't answer. He'd rather not talk about what he did.”

James Andrew came in.

James-“Hey Sakuta, just letting you know the masters meeting is happening two days from today.”

## Chapter 14

### The elemental masters

Alex-“Wait, you’re one of the elemental masters!?”

Sakuta-“I am and so are James Andrew and Mr. Harris.”

Alex-“Then you probably know I’m one, don’t you?”

Sakuta-“So, you’re Sam’s younger brother? He’s a great man, I must say.”

James-“If you’ll excuse me, I should be heading back to class.”

Alex-“Back to the guardians, how are they chosen?”

Sakuta-“They’re elected at the end of every second term, so if you want it, you’re going to have to wait a while, unless one of the guardians dies beforehand.”

Alex-“Where’s the fifth one? Madeline?”

Sakuta-“She’s not here at this school. She’s performing espionage at the police HQ. She’s looking for the person or people who ordered the attack on CAUHHS.”

Alex-“If you’ll excuse me.”

Sakuta-“Two things, Alex. I hope you’ll at least consider your brother’s request and try and find a girlfriend.”

Alex-“If they don’t stab me in the back, I’d be somewhat okay with it.”

Sakuta-“The other one concerns the strongest conduit. Whatever you do, do not ever, ever, try and fight her. I’m the 2<sup>nd</sup> strongest conduit and my strength doesn’t even hold a candle to hers.”

Alex-“My fiery blood is heating up just hearing about her strength. Where can I find her?!”

Sakuta-“Just like your brother huh? He said he fought her, but he lost. The fight didn’t even last 10 seconds.”

Alex-“Apart from you and Sam, is there anyone else who knows?”

Sakuta-“Not that I know of.”

Alex left.

Sakuta-“I hope Madeline’s okay.”

## Chapter 15

### Madeline

A 17 year old teenage girl entered the police HQ.

Turning invisible and making sure she stepped quietly, she followed the local police around the office.

She eventually reached the evidence room.

Inside, Will pulled out a file named Rebecca.

Madeline started to grow angry.

Will-“It’s been two years since the hit and run incident that claimed her life. If the defendant had been found guilty, Lachie wouldn’t have had lost trust in the police. No. He probably lost it when no one except Mathew defended him after the Melbourne elementary massacre. We could probably use his guidance right about now.”

Madeline left to compose herself.

Will-“Still, that Sakuta woman said that Margaret was living with Lachie in the male dorms. I can trust him not to do anything funny, but Serena and Max won’t. Wish we didn’t have to do this. He’s a good kid.”

Madeline's thoughts- *"So it was Serena and Max, the famous scientists. I should probably go now before I'm spotted."*

She left the HQ and headed back to CAUHHS.

## Chapter 15

### The guardians meeting

Madeline-“Sakuta, Serena and Max ordered the attack. My guess is that they’re concerned about their daughter.”

Sakuta-“Alright, thank you Madeline. I’ll call a guardian meeting for tonight during dinner.”

Madeline-“I’ll let Lachie and Mr. Harris know. It’s hard to tell who the principal is.”

Madeline headed to Lachie’s math class and let him know about the meeting.

She then headed to Mr. Harris’s science classroom and told him.

After Lachie’s math class, he started looking for the principal.

When he located him, he went back to his dorm room to prepare for the meeting.

Margaret came in.

Lachie-“Hey Margaret, I’m heading off to a guardians meeting. Remember to stay with Scarlet and Sarah. I can walk with you though, then I’ll be heading off.”

Margaret-“I’ll wait for you in our dorm room after I’ve finished dinner.”

Lachie-“Sure.”

Lachie headed to the meeting after getting his dinner.

The meeting was being held in the student council room.

Lachie got out his guardian badge.

Madeline-“From what I heard, it was Serena and Max. The person who I heard say that said that he can trust Lachie not to do anything funny to Margaret, but her parents can’t.”

Mr. Harris-“When I went to pick up her luggage, they introduced themselves as Serena and Max so I’d say it confirms that they are her parents.”

Lachie-“Question: how did the officer learn that I was living in the same dorm as Margaret?”

Sakuta-“I told him. He said he knew you.”

Lachie-“It was probably Will then. He’s not necessarily a bad person, but he’s pretty intelligent.”

Principal-“I’ll trust you for now, Lachie.”

Mr. Harris-“Well, we still have to decide what to do about Serena and Max.”

Madeline-“True. We could stop them by showing the police that she’s much safer here than there.”

Lachie-“That could work, but if the jury doesn’t rule in our favor, what then?”

Mr. Harris-“Then we do what we guardians do: protect the students. In other words, ignore the court’s ruling.”

Sakuta-“If we do that we’ll be criminals then.”

Principal-“We’re all criminals by society’s standards.”

Madeline-“There’s a law that allows Judges to overrule the jury’s decision within reason, right?”

Lachie-“That’s right. Please do not make me call who you I think you want me to call.”

Madeline-“I do. Call John Smith. If any judge would side with us, it’d be him.”

Lachie-“That’s correct.”

Suddenly, there was a knock on the door.

The principal walked to the door and unlocked it.

Scarlet and Sarah came in.

Scarlet-“Margaret was kidnapped! Sorry, Lachie! We were injected with a sleeping drug by two unknown people.”

Lachie-“All right, I’m going to go talk to them. Mr. Harris, please come with me.”

Mr. Harris-“Agreed.”

Principal-“Madeline, Sakuta and I will search for her.”

Lachie rode his hover board there while Mr. Harris rode on electrical wires.

When they reached there, Lachie violently threw the door open.

Lachie-“What do you take your daughter for, huh?!”

Max-“She’s our child. If we want her to be a scientist, then she will be. If we want to perform experiments on her for science, then we should be able to.”

Serena-“What’s it to you? You came barging in here, demanding what we were doing to our daughter.”

Lachie-“She’s a student at the school. As one of the five guardians, I have a duty to protect and guide her.”

Max-“We have a duty to look after her.”

Lachie-“Look after her?! I’ve seen her aura. She may not look like it, but she’s scared. She’ll most likely end up hating you.”

Serena-“Why tell us this?”

Lachie-“So she doesn’t become me.”

Mr. Harris-“Excuse us, but where is she?”

Serena-“We’re not telling. No matter what you do.”

Mr. Harris-“They’re not lying. We’re going to have to find her ourselves.”

Max-“Just know that she’s in a testing facility owned by an Italian woman.”

Lachie and Mr. Harris left the house.

Mr. Harris-“A testing facility owned by an Italian woman, eh? You have any ideas, Lachie?”

Lachie-“My mother’s testing facility in the CBD. Follow me.”

Mr. Harris called the other guardians and they all headed towards it.

When they all arrived there, Lachie led them inside.

Lachie-“All right, we’ll be fine with the security systems. The only issue is my mother.”

Sakuta-“Why?”

Lachie-“She owns the facility, therefore she has more authority than me.”

Lachie single-handedly disabled all the security systems for the elevator.

As the guardians stepped inside, a wave of hatred swept over the principal.

Lachie-“Principal, remember. We’re here to just retrieve Margaret. Not start a war if we can help it.”

Margaret woke up while she was strapped to a chair.

Two women came into her view.

She didn’t recognize either of them.

Margaret-“Who are you?! Where am I?!”

Rin-“The name’s Rin. Have some respect, bitch. Your parents ordered this, so you should be grateful.”

Chitose-“Serena and Max wanted you to keep yourself safe at night. This is going to hurt a bit, but don’t worry. By the way, this is an experimental facility owned by the great Alice Shirogane. My name is Chitose.”

Meanwhile, Lachie and the guardians were talking to Charlie, the chief security guard.

Lachie-“Charlie, where is Margaret?”

Charlie-“Sorry, I can’t tell you. Boss’s orders.”

Lachie-“Ok then.”

Lachie froze Charlie in place.

He headed to the central console.

Activating the device, it displayed the rooms of the patients.

Margaret was in room 53.

They all headed to the room.

The Principal melted the door down, however, they were too late.

Margaret had already been injected.

Rin and Chitose noticed the guardians as they were putting the tools away.

Lachie-“Rin! Chitose! This is an order! Release Margaret right now!”

Rin-“I’ve never seen the young master this angry. We better do this.”

Chitose released Margaret and she nearly fell face-flat onto the ground, but Lachie picked her up in time.

As they reached the entrance elevator, Lachie unfroze Charlie.

When the guardians got back to school, it was 11pm.

Lachie and Mr. Harris carried her to their dorm room and Lachie laid her down on her bed.

## Chapter 16

### The ten strongest conduits

Brisbane, at a skyscraper in the CBD.

A lone man was watching what was going on.

He was 25 years old and wearing a suit and pants.

This man was James Edward 3<sup>rd</sup>, the 10<sup>th</sup> strongest conduit and he had ice powers.

Edward-“The meeting’s coming up, eh? Better play it smooth.”

Melbourne, at a house in Epping.

A man was cutting vegetables.

Known as John Suzumi, he was Sakuta’s uncle and husband of Jane Suzumi. He was 30 years old.

John had tar powers and was the 9<sup>th</sup> strongest conduit.

In Egypt, a man was receiving luxurious gifts from the townsfolk.

As the great leader of Egypt and wielding sand powers, he was Scott Miles, the 8<sup>th</sup> strongest conduit at only 27 years old.

At Scotland, the Loch Ness castle, a vampire with the ability to manipulate blood was sitting at a dinner table.

He was Walter Wellington IV and 1,000 years old and the 7<sup>th</sup> strongest conduit.

Brisbane, Police HQ.

Sam was reviewing evidence in a case.

At 35 years old, he was the fire elemental master and the 6<sup>th</sup> strongest conduit.

Venice, Italy.

A 40 year old woman was watching the city from her house.

She was the doge of Venice, Lachie's aunt, Elizabeth Shirogane the 5<sup>th</sup> strongest conduit and the water elemental master.

Mr. Harris and James Andrew V were grading tests.

Mr. Harris had electrical powers and was the 4<sup>th</sup> strongest conduit and James Andrew V, who had wind powers was the 3<sup>rd</sup> strongest conduit.

Sakuta, doing an assignment in her dorm room, had poison powers and was the 2<sup>nd</sup> strongest conduit.

London, at a mansion overlooking London on a hill.

A woman who was 30 years old sat with her daughter.

Iris-“Say Mother, remember that boy who was supposed to marry me? Do you know where he is?”

Elizabeth-“No, I don’t. I’ll ask the other elemental masters at the meeting.”

She was Elizabeth Vermillion. She had light powers.

She was the strongest conduit.

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## Chapter 17

### The meeting of the most powerful conduits

As the various elemental masters prepared for the meeting, CAUHHS received seven hologram projectors.

When they were placed the meeting began.

Andrew-“I will begin this meeting by addressing the charge against James Edward 3<sup>rd</sup>. He stands accused of breaking rule 2 of conduit society which is to give your powers to another person. If you are found guilty, your sentence will be death.”

Mr. Harris-“The person who you gave your powers to is Elizabeth Shirogane’s nephew, Lachie James King.”

Elizabeth (S)-“If you laid a hand on him, I will make you pay personally.”

Walter-“You’re overprotective of your family. We know this already.”

John-“Why don’t we ask him ourselves?”

Mr. Harris-“He said he didn’t know, but I knew he was lying due to my extrasensory ability.”

James-“Now let’s just wait a minute. Let’s say I did do this. Why would I do it? To what end?”

Sam-“Probably revenge for what Mathew did. After all, he’s the only one who’s ever injured you.”

James-“Then how did I find out Lachie was Mathew’s son?”

Mr. Harris-“Probably through Charles. Lachie frequents a café every weekend. With some misleading questions, he told him who his father was.”

Elizabeth (S)-“Which is also how you learnt of his hatred towards my sister.”

James-“So you’re suggesting I gave Lachie my powers in revenge for what Mathew did? Sorry, but I’m not that petty.”

Elizabeth (V)-“Excuse me for interrupting, but this Lachie fellow, why does he hate your sister, Elizabeth?”

Elizabeth (S)-“His father was born in England and you don’t even remember? They met when he was on

holiday and fell in love. When Lachie was born, he was given the surname Shirogane. After Alice found out where Mathew was from, she started abusing Lachie. When I found out, I kicked her out and started taking care of him and Yukiri, my daughter. He called from time to time when he could. Later, when he came back from work in Australia, he took them with him. There, he officially changed his name to Lachie James King.”

Elizabeth (V)-“Now I remember. He’s the kid who rejected my daughter.”

James-“Lachie was born as a Shirogane?!”

Elizabeth (S)-“That, ladies and gentlemen is trick confessions 101.”

Sam-“Ah, yes. Mathew’s main technique. It’s underhanded, but it works.”

Mr. Harris-“So, that confirms you know him. That proves one of our points.”

Andrew-“You said that Lachie was lying, correct? Why would he do that?”

Mr. Harris-“Even though he hates his mother, he doesn’t want her to die. Apparently if he snitched on Edward, his men would kill her.”

Elizabeth (S)-“That’s rich! There’s no way Lachie would believe that!”

Sam-“Then why would he play along with his whims?”

Sakuta-“What if he’s faking it?”

Elizabeth-“You mean pretending to do what he asks and not doing it? He’s got the smarts, most definitely.”

James-“If he has, then he’s going to get the appropriate punishment later.”

Mr. Harris-“That’s not happening. We’re going to tell him first and foremost after this meeting. Then I’ll personally deal with you.”

Lachie came in.

Lachie-“There’s no need. I know exactly where’s holed up.”

Sam-“Then is it true? That you were faking doing his jobs?”

Lachie-“Of course. I’m surprised James would be that stupid as to believe I would do his dirty work considering my hatred of criminals.”

Mr. Harris-“Then who’s stopping him?”

Lachie-“Oh, just some friends from the police force. James should be seeing a ghost right about now.”

James-“Then how did you find out where I was?”

Lachie-“That was the easy part. I knew you were somewhere in Brisbane. I just had to figure out where though.”

A knock came on the door of James door.

James-“Wait. I’m busy.”

Voice-“Aw. I thought it’d be nice to finally catch up after so long. Isn’t that right, James Edward 3<sup>rd</sup>?”

James-“That voice belongs to!”

Mathew-“That’s right. My son tells me that you’ve given him powers and you’ve asked him to kill people and have given him your powers.”

John-“You know, that’s a capital offence in conduit society. He’s lucky that he goes to CAUSHHS.”

James-“You’re both supposed to be dead! I know I killed Mathew with my own hands and I ordered Lachie to murder John!”

Lachie-“Thank you, James. You’ve now just confessed to murder and blackmail.”

James dropped his hologram projector.

Elizabeth-“Just what I’d expect from my nephew. How is your dad alive though?”

Lachie-“That’s just the principal shape-shifting to take his form. I never killed John. I just created a realistic looking copy of him out of ice and broke it. I asked him for the plans after I broke it.”

Andrew-“It’s not a bad plan at all, but how did you figure out where he was?”

Lachie-“As I said earlier, that was the easy part. I needed to move up the food chain. Charles was just a low-ranking guy. I needed someone close to him. That’s why I decided to search my father’s records in the police

department. He told before a mission brief once that he had gotten close to him and was extremely close to learning his base of operations. When he found out during the mission brief, he sent the location to the police, but he also asked it to be filed in his special locker.”

Sam-“Which is only accessible by you, me, and John and now that he’s dead.”

Jane-“Then was it you who unlocked it? If so, how did you reach it?”

Lachie-“I went in via the rooftop entrance. Remembering the passcode was easy. Even if I forget it, I still have a sheet of paper with every months passcode on it.”

Sam-“So, what now?”

Vermillion-“Surrender your seat, Shirogane. It’s my birthright.”

Elizabeth-“No. To do that would betray my people’s expectations.”

Scott-“You’d lose if you fought her though. It would be better to accept defeat with honor and dignity.”

Suddenly, Lachie got a call.

Lachie-“Yep. Understood. On my way.”

He hung up.

Sakuta-“That was the principal, right?”

Lachie-“Yeah. Said James jumped out of his window and is now rampaging through Brisbane.”

Sam-“I’m on it.”

James-“No, I’m doing it. I want payback for what he did.”

Scott-“I’d advise against it. Sam’s a trusted man.”

Lachie-“I agree. Besides, it was my idea to send Sam if he escaped anyway.”

James-“Well, I guess I’ll listen since you suggested it, however, I’m still going to steal his chunk of adamantine. Lachie will find more use for it.”

Mr. Harris-“True. He could be able to create his own weapon with it.”

Lachie-“Adamantine? Isn’t that the stuff that hurts conduits?”

Mr. Harris-“It is. How else do you expect us to keep conduit society in check?”

James headed out while Sam stopped Edward.

Sam-“Long time no see.”

Principal-“You as well. Shall we use that technique?”

Sam-“On my signal.”

The principal shifted walls to make an alleyway where they surrounded Edward and they couldn't be seen.

Edward-“If I can't go anywhere, I may as well curse Lachie and his descendants before I die!”

Sam-“So, not only do you break the rules, but you're also stupid. Curses wouldn't affect him. After all, he's got Shirogane blood in him, though he doesn't really know how to use them.”

Principal-“Even if you could, I'd kill you before it happened. On that note, I'm ready.”

Sam-“Alright. On 3. 1,2,3!”

Sam and Principal-“Twin Dragon flames!”

They both lit up their hands and used them to cut through Edward's defenses and burned him alive.

## Chapter 18

### The three cursed abilities

When Lachie returned to his dorm room, he noticed Margaret was holding onto a pendant with a snow flower on it.

He forcefully snatched the pendant back.

Margaret-“You’re from the Shirogane house? I heard about someone from that house committing suicide.”

Lachie-“What about it?”

Margaret-“Is it that you were born a Shirogane and your mother did something terrible that you decided to adopt a different surname?!”

Lachie-“You’re such a pain! Why do you want to know about the Shirogane, or rather, my family?!”

Margaret-“So you’re they’re descendants. Go kill yourself.”

Lachie slapped her.

Lachie-“Never. Ever. Say. Those three words to my face. Ever. Again.”

Margaret-“My cousin was cursed into committing suicide.”

Lachie-“I’m sorry to hear that.”

Margaret-“Then what? Should I go after the person who made her do it?”

Lachie-“No. In order to avenge your cousin, we’d need to find the person who used heart manipulation on them.”

Margaret-“Who told you about these curses? Your aunt?”

Lachie-“It was...my Mother. Probably the only useful thing she told me.”

Margaret-“Oh right. You said you hated her?”

Lachie-“Don’t push your luck. That’s all for tonight.”

The next morning, the principal called Lachie and James Andrew V into his office.

Lachie-“So, what did you call me in for?”

Principal-“I wanted to know if you could do anything about this.”

He showed Lachie a sword with a cross guard.

It was refined, but broken. Sharp, yet dull.

Lachie-“I’m sorry, but I can’t undo the curse. You’re going to have ask the person who put the curse on him.”

Andrew-“The question now is how do we get in contact with them?”

Lachie-“Do you have a name? I can work off that.”

Principal-“I believe her name was Wendy Shirogane.”

Lachie-“Alright I know where she is. Can’t guarantee that she’ll listen to us.”

Principal-“So, where is she?”

Lachie-“In Sicily.”

Principal-“Guess that’s that then. I’ll be back later.”

Lachie-“Wait. I’m coming with you.”

Principal-“Why?”

Lachie-“We need to settle something.”

Principal-“What’s that?”

Lachie-“Inheritance.”

Principal-“Alright, but if you try to kill her, I will stop you.”

Lachie-“If you say so.”

Principal-“I also want you to start training Margaret. You did say she was given powers right?”

Lachie-“Alright then she’s coming with us.”

Principal-“I can’t carry more than one person.”

Lachie-“Whoever said you’re doing the carrying? Come with me, both of you. Got to show you something impressive.”

They followed Lachie towards the back of the island, towards a dock and there was a ship.

## Chapter 19

### ETERNAL PROVIDENCE

Lachie-“Allow me to present the flagship of the Shirogane fleet, ETERNAL PROVIDENCE.”

It looked like a pirate ship, but with modern day modifications.

Lachie-“Alright, come on board.”

They went on and Lachie showed them around.

James-“Who made this?”

Lachie-“My Aunt.”

Principal-“So, you propose to go to Sicily by sea? I admit it would be a substantial amount to train Margaret, but I don't want to leave CAUHHS for too long without 2 guardians.”

Lachie-“Well then, please hold onto something.”

Lachie brought the anchor up and brought the ship about 10 meters away from the dock.

Principal-“You better have a good explanation for this.”

Lachie pressed something on the steering wheel and planks with propellers in them came from either side of the ship.

Lachie-“I can leave it like this, in the air, you know. So, Principal, please get Margaret. We’ll get to Sicily in about five days.”

Principal-“Alright then. I trust you, for now.”

James-“That reminds me, I got my hands on Edward’s adamantine. If you go to a guy named Richard in Florence, he’ll forge a new weapon for you.”

Lachie-“Thank you. By the way, where did you put it?”

James-“It’s in his workshop. I told him to save it in case you ever went there.”

The principal returned with Margaret and her luggage.

Lachie-“Alright, everyone ready?”

Everyone else-“Let’s go!”

Lachie pressed a button and it unfurled the sail.

He turned the bow towards Sicily and set a course for it.

Lachie-“Now we wait.”

Margaret walked up to Lachie.

Margaret-“I was told you were going to help me learn to control my powers.”

Lachie-“Alright, go to the lift in the middle sail. It’ll take you down to the cargo hold. There’s a virtual training room in there.”

Margaret-“Alright then, let’s go there now.”

Lachie-“Just don’t touch anything when you go down. Lots of high tech stuff there.”

Margaret-“Got it.”

As soon as Margaret went into the cargo hold, she saw a Lamborghini.

Lachie-“We’re not here to admire cars, you know.”

Margaret-“Where is it then?”

Lachie-“It is the car. Just need to transform it.”

It transformed before her eyes.

Speaker-“Detecting two people with powers. One is ice. The other is plant manipulation.”

Lachie-“Alright Margaret, just imagine a giant tree coming out of your finger tips.”

Margaret did so, but nothing came out.

Lachie-“Don’t worry. Using your powers will take time to get used to.”

Margaret-“Alright. What are you going to do?”

Lachie-“Go on the deck. You can stay if you want.”

Margaret-“All right. I’ll stay here.”

As Lachie headed up back onto the deck, he noticed a tall man in a tuxedo with a crown on the back of his shirt.

Lachie recognized the man. It was Ryuuji, Elizabeth Vermillion’s butler.

Ryuuji-“May I take Lachie? Elizabeth has requested his presence in London.”

Mr. Harris-“Go ahead.”

Lachie-“I’ll be with you in one second.”

He went to the lower deck and gave Margaret a copy of his fingerprint so she could de-activate the program when she wanted.

Ryuuji and Lachie then departed for Elizabeth's Mansion in London.

He knocked on the door and went in.

## Chapter 20

### Iris Vermillion

Lachie-"I see it hasn't changed one bit."

As he walked towards the stairs in the middle, a teenage girl with yellow hair walked down.

She got excited and ran to him.

Lachie-"Oh. It's you, Iris."

Iris-"Look at these!"

She handed him some pieces of paper.

They were her grades. She had aced all of her subjects.

Even her behaviour was good.

Lachie-"You've changed."

Iris-"Are you impressed?!"

Lachie-"A bit."

Elizabeth came down.

Lachie bowed.

Lachie-"Good to see you again, Elizabeth."

Elizabeth-“I hope you’ve been safe. It’s been 10 years since we last talked face to face.”

Lachie-“I have been well. How about yourself?”

Elizabeth-“I’ve been good. Just dealing with the amount of suitors that want to marry Iris. She’s only fifteen years old. I don’t think she’s ready.”

Iris-“What are you talking about, Mother? It’s not that I’m not ready. It’s the fact that I’m not interested in them.”

Elizabeth-“Enough about that. I wanted to talk to you about a woman who lives here, Cindry. I suspect she’s a shape shifter and using her powers for evil. If she is, I want you to knock her out.”

Lachie-“All right, then. I’ll head out.”

Iris-“Mother, what are you doing?! Cindry’s too dangerous, even for him!”

Elizabeth-“Don’t worry about him. Someone’s going to help him anyway.”

Lachie found Cindry in a restaurant, eating food by herself.

Noticing her aura immediately, he went wide with shock.

It was red, meaning pure evil.

Calming himself, he sat at a table behind her.

She went outside.

He followed suit, keeping hidden.

She then turned around.

Cindry-“I know you’re following me.”

Lachie-“Good job. Guess I got to work on my sneaking skills.”

Cindry-“Too bad, I’m going to eat you now.”

She turned into a dragon and started breathing fire.

He dodged the fire and created a pillar of ice.

It was melted before it reached her.

Lachie-“Shit.”

The townspeople started running.

From a nearby roof, an emperor penguin was watching Lachie come up with ways to defeat the dragon.

## Chapter 21

### Flippers

As Lachie attempted to summon an ice spear from below to stab her neck, it was clear that he wasn't going to win.

As Cindry went to gulp down Lachie, the penguin jumped in the air, used its Flipper's to slice Cindry's neck off.

Lachie-"Thanks for saving me. What's your name?"

Flippers-"It's Flippers. By the way, you're weak. Unbelievably weak."

Lachie-"Well, I'm not really interested in becoming strong. I just want to live like a normal person while also dishing out justice on those who deserve it."

Flippers-"You're naive then. Cindry was one example of a rotten person. There are five other people out there who have powerful abilities. One of them you know and I've been sworn to secrecy about that one. They know who you are. Like it or not, the elemental masters won't always be there to do it for you, therefore, the responsibility will fall on you."

Lachie-“So what’s the training regime you’re going to put me through?”

Flippers-“It depends. You can choose to focus on swordsmanship, your powers, augmentation or hand to hand combat.”

Lachie-“Then I choose all 4.”

Flippers-“Well then, follow me.”

He followed him and they wound up in the catacombs beneath the Thames.

## Chapter 22

### Albert James King

Flippers-“Here we are.”

They had arrived at the tomb of Albert James King.

Flippers-“This man was your grandfather, Lachie. He was the first ice elemental master and the first person I formed a contract with.”

Lachie saw a sword in front of the statue.

Flippers-“That is Frigid Judgement, Albert’s sword. Please take care of it with the utmost care.”

Lachie grabbed the sword off the pedestal slowly and then put strapped it on his back.

Flippers-“Now, then. I want you to pass a message to Mr. Harris. Tell him to keep an eye on Elizabeth Shirogane.”

Lachie-“My aunt?”

Flippers-“Yes.”

They left the tomb.

Flippers-“Your dad was a great man by the way. I’m sorry I couldn’t save him though.”

Lachie-“What do you mean?”

Flippers-“The members of the James King family only live 13 years becoming fathers. Your grandfather had Mathew at age 25. He died at age 38. Your father was a bit luckier. He had you at age 20 and died at age 33.”

Lachie-“Who are these enemies my father made? You mentioned them earlier.”

Flippers-“I don’t know who they are. They’ve been really elusive, however, there has been one I’ve been able to identify: Roberts. I will tell you this: He’s got one of the most dangerous abilities in the world. If you see him, don’t engage unless you feel like you can defeat him.”

They had arrived back in Elizabeth’s palace.

Elizabeth-“I see you’ve met Flippers, Lachie. He told you about your father’s enemies, didn’t he?”

Lachie-“Yeah. What about them?”

Elizabeth-“There are a total of five of them. Each of them is as dangerous as each other.”

Lachie-"I heard. When does training begin?"

Flippers-"Tomorrow."

Elizabeth-"Night's falling. Let's go have dinner."

After dinner, Lachie and Iris headed to bed.

Iris-"Good night, Lachie."

Lachie-"Night."

The next morning soon arrived.

## Chapter 23

### Training begins

Lachie woke up tired.

Iris-“Didn’t you get sleep last night?”

Lachie-“I only got a little bit of sleep.”

Iris-“Talk to me if you need to. I’ll do my best to support you.”

Lachie-“Thanks Iris.”

Lachie then headed to the courtyard.

He drew Frigid Judgement.

After training for 16 hours that day, he was finally able to have dinner.

After dinner, Lachie went to Elizabeth’s room.

## Chapter 24

### Suspicious

Lachie-“I’d like to talk to you about something.”

Elizabeth-“About what?”

Lachie-“You know about the Melbourne massacre right?”

Elizabeth-“That was when a student killed an entire school full of students and teachers right?”

Lachie-“Yes, that’s what the news said, however, the truth is the student who did it forced them to commit suicide. Officially, the only people who should know this is the student and the father. At CAUHHS though, there’s a student named Margaret. She knows the truth. My question is-how?”

Elizabeth-“Good point. Just keep an eye on Margaret.”

Lachie left.

Elizabeth-“Good night.”

## Chapter 25

### Alex and Jasmine

Alex was heading towards the creamy cat cafe.

Jasmine walked up to him, planning to make small talk.

Jasmine-“How are you doing?”

Alex-“Fine. Now, if you’ll excuse me, I no longer want to talk to you.”

Jasmine-“Don’t be so rude. Come, let me treat you to coffee.”

Alex-“If I do, will you leave me alone?”

Jasmine-“I promise.”

Alex-“If you say so. I’ll be watching you though.”

Jasmine-“Let’s go then.”

They entered the cafe.

Alex ordered a cappuccino and Jasmine got a long black.

Suddenly, the door burst open.

Three men with guns came in.

Gangster 1-“As of now, you’re all hostages. All we ask is that Alex shows himself and you all will be free.”

Jasmine stepped forward.

She disarmed the first one and knocked him to the ground.

She used her stun gun to paralyse the second one.

The third one gave up without a fight.

Alex-“Even though I hate you, thanks for saving everyone.”

## Chapter 26

### Madeline in distress

Sakuta and Madeline were having lunch in the council room.

Sakuta was reading the news.

Sakuta-“What?!”

Madeline-“Give it here.”

Madeline read the top headline.

*It read-“Police officer Sam is caught in cuffs. In the investigation of James Edward the 3<sup>rd</sup>'s death, burn marks were discovered. Police have charged Sam, who left in pursuit of the suspect alone. If he is charged guilty, he will be executed.”*

Madeline was now swirling with madness.

She dashed out, heading towards the local police station, preparing to sabotage evidence.

James-“Soon, I'll arrest the person who caused us so much pain. Soon, you'll be sleeping comfortably.”

Madeline's thoughts- "*I hope they can find peace. My parents were the worst.*"

Her mind flashed back.

Madeline's Dad- "Another B? Come on, you can do better than that!"

Madeline's Mum- "Exactly! Your punishment is no food for the rest of this week!"

She ran into her room, crying. Her parents were really terrible. They expected her to get A's every term. If she didn't, they'd punish her in some way. Sometimes it was starvation, other times it was physical abuse.

Madeline was tired.

Tired of not getting listened to, tired of abuse and neglect.

Suddenly, she became transparent.

Shocked from what happened, she screamed.

Her door burst open. The room was the same as always.

Realizing that they couldn't see her, she planned to escape that night. She hid in her room until they were asleep.

Grabbing her stuff, she quietly escaped through the front door. The streets were cold and dark.

Not paying attention to where she was going, she bumped into a man who looked like he was 15.

He turned around and grabbed her hand. She became visible again.

Madeline's thoughts-*"Please do not let this guy be a creep."*

Guy-"You're a real cutie, you know."

Madeline's thoughts-*"Of course he is!"*

Madeline-"I'm sorry, but I'm not interested in you."

Guy-"Come on, what's the harm?"

Another one approached, though he looked different.

He grabbed the guy's hand and started twisting it.

Sam-"Are you alright, young lady?"

Madeline-“Who are you?”

Sam-“It’s Sam. Sam Montgomery Bell.”

Madeline-“Montgomery Bell? Condolences to your father, but I don’t like the police.”

Sam-“Well, thank you, but where do you plan to go from here?”

Madeline-“Anywhere but my parents house.”

Sam-“If you find yourself in need of a place to stay, you’re welcome at my house. It’s on 10 Orleigh street. Though just stay wary of my brother.”

Madeline-“Thanks for the invitation.”

After wandering around aimlessly, she decided to accept the invitation.

Madeline-“Thanks for the invitation.”

Madeline didn’t see Sam, but she saw another person eating.

Alex-“Who are you? Why are you here?”

Madeline-“The names Madeline and Sam invited me.”

Alex-“That still doesn’t explain why you’re here. What about your parents?”

Madeline-“They can die for all I care.”

Alex was about to slap her when Sam stopped him.

Sam-“Remember, she has different circumstances than us. I hope you treat her with respect.”

Ever since then, she had admired Sam.

She returned her mind to present day and sabotaged the evidence, however, she noticed the person James was attempting to arrest was none other than Lachie James King.

## Chapter 27

### Lachie goes to court

Lachie had been arrested in Brisbane a few days after his return.

Judge-“We will now begin the trial of Lachie James King.”

James-“You stand accused of committing the Melbourne massacre. How do you plead?”

Lachie-“Guilty.”

Judge-“That was fast.”

Lachie-“I never said I was done talking. I’m going to say this now: they all deserved to die. Now, if you’ll let me explain.”

Judge-“Why you should be able to explain yourself? After all, you’ve pleaded guilty.”

Lachie-“Let me ask you this: why should Conduits be held accountable for their actions and not regular people? I’m not saying there aren’t any evil conduits. If anything, there’s a normal criminal here and I will not stopped until he is punished.”

Judge-“Who are you implicating? I would like to understand what you mean as well as what proof you have of your accusation, Lachie.”

Lachie's thoughts-*“If I'm not mistaken, this guy who arrested me is the father of the leader who bullied my cousin. I also know he's the person who murdered Rebecca. Normally, I'd kill him, but since she said people can change, I'll play along with it. To see if it's really true.”*

## Chapter 28

### The pain of losing family

Lachie-“When I moved to Melbourne, I was 10. It was me, my cousin and my father. Every day was painful. Those stupid kids kept on insulting us since we couldn’t speak proper English. The asshole teachers and principal didn’t do anything either.”

James-“What you did was nothing short of horrific! Day after day, I investigated the person who made the report that a young boy had murdered a bunch of innocent people.”

Lachie-“Which led you to me.”

James-“Yes. The person who forced every person there to commit suicide.”

Lachie-“How do you know the truth?”

James-“It’s simple-I investigated. I knew that the James King family upheld an extreme sense of justice, however, I also gained knowledge that the latest heir of their family had Shirogane blood. Uncovering knowledge that under certain extreme emotional conditions, they can

unlock their abilities. Wondering who it was, my fellow coppers told me his name.”

Lachie-“So, you used your deduction skills. What about me doing it bothers you? You said it yourself-we uphold an extreme sense of justice.”

James-“I lost my son, Roger! He was only 11 years old and had his whole life ahead of him!”

Lachie-“I remember him. I remember him laughing sadistically at what he did. He’d shove Yukiri’s head into her desk. Other times, he’d spill liquid over our dictionary’s when we attempted to continue to learn English. If I’d try to fight back, he said she would call you, a police officer.”

James-“Then what about Mathew?”

Lachie-“Dad couldn’t. He was out busy with cases, investigating the Suzumi family.”

James-“Even so!”

Lachie-“Even so? To be honest, I hate you, but I won’t kill you. You may be the father of one of the people I hate

the most, but you still haven't committed a crime. Now, go. Before I change my mind."

James-"Why are you so indifferent to what you did?! Stop pitying me!"

Judge-"I'm afraid with the circumstances at play, Lachie is innocent. He put up with everything and look how it turned out."

James-"No! I will see you charged!"

Lachie-"I admire your spirit. Perhaps we're not so different."

James-"How?!"

Lachie-"That spirit to see your justice through, the want to protect your friends and family. Tell me your name."

James-"It's James."

Lachie-"I see, well thank you. I must ask you-3 years ago on the 5<sup>th</sup> of January, where were you at 4:00pm?"

James-"Even I don't remember what was happening then."

Lachie-"I should probably elaborate then. At the time, did you see four students? One of them was me."

James-"Still not jogging my memory."

Lachie took out two photographs.

In it, there were four people:

-Lachie

-Scarlet

-Sarah

-and an unknown person.

He showed the second one.

In it, a person who looked to be drunk ran over the unknown person.

James went into shock for a few seconds.

James-"That's right. I had been drinking. I thought it wasn't much so I decided to drive home early. I went to the intersection. I saw all of you. I must have mistook the green light for the green signal to cross."

Lachie—"Let me correct you. It wasn't *must have*. You did. I have been searching for you for a long time. I would kill you, but since the statute of limitations is over on the Melbourne massacre, I won't."

## Chapter 29

### A most horrible crime

Lachie got a call from James in the morning.

Lachie-“How’d you get this number and why are you calling me?”

James-“John told me and the reasons I’m calling you are- 1: I’d like to apologize for killing Rebecca. You see, someone threatened to kill one of my family members if I didn’t and 2: I’m at a crime scene. Even though it looks like it’s obvious who did it, I suspect someone else did it.”

Lachie-“Alright, tell me where it is and I’ll be right there.”

James-“It’s on a passenger train that was heading to Perth, currently it’s at Roma street station, however, we’re at a platform. There’s only five minutes until it’s supposed to leave.”

Lachie-“Alright, I’ll be right there.”

He got a small backpack out of his bottom drawer and stepped onto his hoverboard and zoomed to the train.

James-“Thank you so much for coming, Lachie.”

He immediately got to work.

The victims name was Junichiro Yuuma.

There were four suspects-The chef who prepared the meal, the waiter who brought him the food, his brother, Jonathon Yuuma an Junichiro's girlfriend, Emma.

Lachie-"The victim's cause of death is from ingesting food covered in poison. It may look like the chef or waiter did it, but they've got no reason, which leaves me with you two. Now-"

Emma-"Can we go now? Otherwise we're going to be holding up the train. We're also getting off at the next platform for work."

Lachie-"No-one is going anywhere until I solve this case. Using one of my detective tools, number 3 to be exact, I noticed six pairs of footprints. Including this waiter, there are only five. The only ones I haven't checked are yours. The chefs say they left the kitchen last night due to someone becoming unwell. I asked around and the other passengers say it was you, Emma. The conductor stated to me that this train is express to Adelaide. From this, we can infer that Emma faked being ill in order to create a

distraction while Jonathon went to poison Junichiro's meal."

Jonathon-"That's only circumstantial. You need actual pro-"

Lachie-"I just examined your shoe prints. Lo and behold, they match our sixth kitchen visitor. Onto how you knew which meal to poison. It's simple-you ordered for Junichiro. The chefs told me Junichiro asked you to order for him, unaware that it would be his last meal. The reason I'm guessing you killed him is because you were cheating on Junichiro with Jonathon, right Emma? He probably suspected it, so you murdered him before he found out. If I'm wrong, please tell me."

Emma-"You're right. Though how'd you figure it all out?"

Lachie-"I am the son of one of the world's greatest detectives, Mathew James King."

Jonathon-"Then you're him? Lachie James King?"

Lachie-"The one and only. Now"

Jonathon-“The person who ordered us to do this lives in Perth and he is one of the five powerful enemies your father made.”

Emma-“What are you saying?! The boss will be mad at us!”

Lachie-“James. Ensure they get maximum protection in prison. Meanwhile, I’ll deal with the person in Perth.”

## Chapter 30

### Not going anywhere

Lachie called Flippers the next morning.

Lachie-“I managed to locate one of my father’s five great enemies. They’re currently in Adelaide. I’m going today.”

Flippers-“You’re not going anywhere. You’re going to be Sam’s defendant in his closed trial today. The judge has given his approval.”

Lachie-“Great. I’ll get dressed then.”

He got dressed and headed to the courtroom.

Going onto the defence’s table, he prepared to face the prosecutor.

It was Jasmine.

Lachie-“So, it’s you. I thought I told you I wanted nothing to do with you anymore, Jonathon Smith.”

Jonathon-“Of course I know that.”

Jasmine-“I would like to first call Sam to the witness stand.”

Sam entered the stand.

Sam-“Hello, Lachie. Hello...Boss.”

Jasmine-“State your name and occupation.”

Sam-“Sam Montgomery Bell, homicide investigator.”

Jasmine-“Tell us about what happened on that day.”

Sam-“I was investigating James Edward on suspicion of breaking Conduit law number 2-giving your powers to another person.”

Lachie-“Were these suspicions true?”

Sam-“Yes. So I told the others at the meeting.”

Lachie-“What is the punishment for breaking Conduit law?”

Sam-“Death.”

Lachie-“Thank you.”

Jasmine-“You told them. What did they do?”

Sam-“Naturally, we sent an elemental master to kill him.”

Jasmine-“Who was it?”

Lachie-“I think you’re forgetting something here, Jasmine. James was murdered because he broke Conduit society law. Though he also broke human laws, that’s not what this is about.”

Jasmine-“Such as what?”

Lachie-“Murder. Don’t tell me you forgot what happened to my Dad.”

Jasmine-“So you’re Mathew’s son?”

Lachie-“Yes, however, we’re not here to discuss that today. It’s to determine whether or not Sam murdered another Conduit.”

Sam-“Of course I didn’t. Why would I bloody my hands against another elemental master?”

Jasmine-“Then who or what killed him?”

Sam-“Didn’t you know? The building he was in lit on fire. He got those burn marks trying to save his subordinates, however, he died just as I got there.”

Jonathon-“Thank you. If there’s nothing else to present, then he’s innocent. That is, unless either of you have anything?”

Lachie-"I would like to present a photo that confirms what Sam just said."

Lachie got a camera out of his backpack.

He printed a photo of what happened.

Jasmine-"I would like to examine that photo."

Lachie-"Go right ahead."

Jasmine-"There are no issues from what I can see."

Jonathon-"Then, Sam, you are found not guilty."

Lachie-"Alright then, I'll be heading back."

Sam-"See you later, Boss."

Jasmine-"WAIT!"

Lachie-"What?"

Jasmine-"Do you know what happened to Ryan Montgomery Bell?"

Sam-"What happened to father? He committed suicide after he was found guilty of a crime he didn't commit."

Lachie-“I couldn’t forget that trial even if I wanted to. With those horrible circumstances and the horrible events that happened.”

Sam-“Of course, I still harbor anger towards the people who helped cover it up. That includes you, boss.”

Jasmine-“She was the prime minister’s daughter. We couldn’t bring charges against her! Who knows what would have happened?”

Lachie-“Your point being? If someone breaks the law, police officers have a duty to punish them. NO. MATTER. WHAT.”

Sam-“Are we done here? I’ve got a little brother to take care of.”

Jasmine-“We’re done. Sorry to hold you up.”

As soon as Sam and Lachie left the building, Sam started talking.

Sam-“You know, using that picture to lie wasn’t like you. What about your justice?”

Lachie-“You’re right. I just wanted to make sure you were found innocent, but if you feel like that’s an insult, I’m sorry.”

Sam-“Apology accepted. Just don’t do something like that again.”

Lachie and Sam went their separate ways.

As soon as Lachie got back to school, Iris greeted him.

Iris-“I have something weird to ask. Why is a talking penguin in your room?”

Lachie-“That’s Flippers. He’s the one who’s training me to be stronger.”

Lachie and Iris headed back to his room.

Flippers-“Good work, Lachie. Who’s this lady?”

Lachie-“Iris Vermillion, daughter of the strongest conduit and my childhood friend.”

Flippers-“So, have either of you considered a romantic relationship with each other?”

Lachie-“Not in the slightest.”

Iris-“I have.”

Flippers-“What about forgiving your mother, Lachie?”

Lachie-“Never.”

Iris-“How can I get you to consider a romantic relationship with me?”

Lachie-“Here’s a list of things I want in a romantic partner.”

*1-Smart.*

*2-Nice.*

*3-Has to be able to take care of themselves.*

Iris-“You say smart, but how smart are we talking in terms of our grade level?”

Lachie-“Top 5.”

Iris-“Then, I’ll just prove myself to you.”

## Chapter 31

### Study group

Sakuta was making an announcement.

Sakuta-“As you all know the end of term exams are coming up. Please remember to study hard in preparation for them.”

Lachie headed to the cafeteria got out a notebook.

There, Iris, Sakuta, Scarlet and Sarah were waiting.

Sarah-“So, you going for the top score again?”

Lachie-“Of course. It would be a disgrace to the guardians and to my lineage.”

Iris got out her books, ready to learn.

Sakuta-“What are your weakest subjects? I’ll help you.”

Sarah-“English.”

Scarlet-“Science.”

Iris-“Math.”

Lachie-“None.”

Sakuta-“No one asked you, Mr. Perfect.”

Iris-“What about you, Sakuta?”

Sakuta-“Nothing.”

Lachie-“I don’t recall you ever beating me in exams, Ms council president.”

Sakuta-“Me neither, ace detective.”

Iris-“Are those two alright? They’re glaring at each other.”

Sarah-“Those two are always like that around exam time. You see, they’re the top scorers in our grade, but they’re equally smart that neither of them have beaten the other, therefore, they’ve formed a bit of a rivalry.”

Scarlet-“Shall we get started then?”

All of them started studying.

They all studied for five hours.

Iris-“What do you think, Lachie?”

Lachie-“Amazing work, Iris. You answered most of them correctly.”

Iris-“Thank you again for your help, Lachie.”

Scarlet-“What happened to Margaret?”

Lachie-“She’s living with her grandfather.”

All of them went their separate ways and headed back to their rooms.

Iris-“Say, what happened with you and James? Did you let him live?”

Lachie-“I did. Why did you want me to spare him?”

Iris-“I don’t want to say why just yet.”

Lachie-“Tell me when you’re ready, then.”

Iris-“Sure.”

The two of them went to sleep.

## Chapter 32

### Exam time

Lachie-“Iris, today is first day of exams. I hope you’re ready.”

She got up and asked Lachie to leave while she got dressed.

They went to the gym and did the exams, which concluded at 5:00pm.

At the end of the week, Lachie and Sakuta had once again tied for first place. In second place was Iris.

Lachie-“I’ll defeat you for sure next time, Sakuta.”

Sakuta-“I was thinking the exact same thing.”

Iris-“Say, would you consider marrying me now?”

Lachie-“Not exactly, but good work Iris. I’m proud of you.”

## Chapter 30-The Suzumi family

Flippers-“You’re not going to Perth, Lachie! That’s final!”

Lachie-“Why not? One of my father’s most dangerous enemies is there!”

Flippers-“You’ve most definitely heard of the Suzumi mafia family. Their current head and Sakuta’s dad, Makoto Suzumi, is one of them. He also has the most dangerous ability of your father’s enemies, copy and paste.”

Lachie-“That’s a stupid name.”

Flippers-“Don’t underestimate it. Just ask Sakuta. She’ll tell you why it’s considered the most powerful ability.”

Lachie went to the student council room.

Lachie-“Hey, Sakuta. How dangerous is your dad’s ability?”

Sakuta-“His ability allows him to copy other people’s powers including ultimate abilities, but not extrasensory and metaphysical abilities and he can use multiple people’s abilities at the same time.”

Lachie-“Thank you.”

## Chapter 33

### Makoto Suzumi

A giant mansion in Perth.

A man was sitting at the head of a large table. On either side there were 7 chairs on each side and one opposite him.

With him was his niece, a 15 year old teenage girl.

Makoto-“Say, you said someone had a crush on you. What did you think of them?”

Girl-“He was nice, extremely smart , but he didn’t have any powers.”

Makoto-“A shame that he wouldn’t be able to join us in our utopia then. I think he would have made for a fine partner, given your description.”

Girl-“I shall take my leave now, Makoto.”

Makoto-“Alright, then.”

The girl returned to her room.

In her room, she looked fondly at a picture of Scarlet and Sarah.

## Chapter 34

### A holiday in Melbourne

Iris-“Do you have any plans for the Easter holidays, Lachie?”

Lachie-“Not particularly, no.”

Iris-“I was thinking of going to Melbourne.”

A surge of anger shot up within Lachie.

Lachie-“I don’t want to go to that hellhole again.”

Iris-“Why?”

Lachie-“I have terrible memories of that place.”

Iris-“What if we all made you forget about those terrible memories and helped you relax?”

Lachie-“No.”

Iris-“I should also let you know we don’t have a licensed driver.”

Lachie-“So, you’re asking me to be your driver?”

Iris-“Exactly.”

Lachie-“Are you still planning to go if I don’t drive?”

Iris-“Yes.”

Lachie-“Fine. I’ll go. For no other reason than you would be committing a crime if I didn’t.”

They went to get ready for their trip.

The next morning, Lachie, Alex, Iris, Sakuta, Scarlet and Sarah all met up at Sakuta’s garage.

Inside there was a 7-seater Toyota.

Lachie hopped in the driver’s seat.

Lachie-“Who’s sitting beside me?”

Iris immediately jumped in the passenger seat.

## Chapter 35

### Back in Melbourne

The group was resting at a motel in Dubbo.

Sakuta, Iris, Sarah and Scarlet were playing truth or dare UNO.

Scarlet lost.

Scarlet-“Give me a truth question.”

Iris-“Do you have a crush on anyone?”

Scarlet-“...Lachie.”

Sarah-“Understandable. Especially after that incident.”

Iris-“That incident?”

Sarah-“You see, Scarlet and I are twin sisters.”

Iris-“Lachie is mine.”

Sakuta-“He probably won't reciprocate your feelings, you know.”

Scarlet-“I know. It's just that if I don't, I'll regret it later.”

The next day, they headed to Melbourne and arrived at their hotel.

Lachie, Iris and Sakuta went shopping for dinner.

Two people noticed them.

One of them pointed a device at all 3 of them and each time it showed a green light.

The other called someone.

Person-“Kidnap the boy.”

One of them created a smokescreen and the other summoned a car and shoved Lachie inside.

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## Chapter 36

### The two meet

Lachie was escorted through the mansion.

He noticed a lot of people.

The people escorting him opened the door in front of them.

They had arrived at the large dining hall of the mansion.

The person who was sitting at the end ordered his men to leave.

Makoto-“Please, take a seat, but not the one opposite me.”

Lachie sat down.

Makoto-“I hope you had a safe trip here.”

Lachie-“I did, apart from getting kidnapped during the holidays.”

Makoto-“Sorry about that.”

Lachie-“So, Makoto, what do you want? Are you going to kill me before I become strong enough to defeat you?”

Makoto-“No. I want you to join me in creating my utopia. Also I want my daughter to come back to me.”

Lachie-“I’m a bargaining chip, is that it?”

Makoto-“Afraid so, however, we’ll let you roam the mansion as you please until then. Don’t try to escape either, I don’t want to catch you or want to see you die.”

Back in Melbourne, Iris was telling her friends what happened.

Sakuta-“Did you notice anything about them?”

Iris-“I noticed that they had a crest on them. On the crest was a jolly roger.”

Sakuta-“Oh. It was the Suzumi crime family, then.”

Alex-“You’re related to them, aren’t you?”

Sakuta-“Unfortunately, yes. The current head is my Dad, Makoto Suzumi. I’m his only child. Under him, he has ten executives, he has a younger brother, sister-in law and niece.”

Scarlet-“They sound tough.”

Sakuta-“Considering all of them, including me and the executives, have powers, yes.”

Sarah-“What’s the name of his niece?”

Sakuta-“It’s someone we all know well. Rebecca.”

Scarlet-“You’re joking, right?”

Sarah-“We all saw her get run over, though!”

Sakuta-“Don’t you remember? All of the main Suzumi family members and executives have powers.”

Scarlet and Sarah-“Why didn’t you tell us then?!”

Sakuta-“If I had told you, you would have gone straight to her, right?”

Scarlet and Sarah-“Without a doubt.”

Sakuta-“You would have been massacred. Makoto’s goal is to create a utopia of peace. Where no normal humans exist. Meaning since you don’t have powers, he would have no qualms killing you.”

Alex-“So, how do you propose we get him back?”

They all continued to discuss ideas and then went to sleep.

## Chapter 37

### Reunion

Lachie went to the library.

Rebecca-“Lachie! It’s been so long! I’ve missed you!”

Lachie-“Stay away from me!”

Rebecca-“What’s gotten into you?”

Lachie-“I shouldn’t have trusted you.”

Rebecca-“What? You wanted me to tell you about my Uncle? No. I didn’t want you to die.”

Lachie-“Before I leave, let me take a picture of you. It might come in handy.”

Rebecca smiled as Lachie took a picture of Rebecca.

Back in Melbourne, Iris, Sakuta, Scarlet and Sarah were preparing to head to Perth.

They headed to the airport.

When Scarlet and Sarah got to security, an officer recognized them.

Officer-“Seize them! Lachie and Mathew may have saved you before, but since they’re not here, we’ll take you in now.”

Iris-“What did they do?!”

Officer-“They’re the twin daughters of Melbourne’s most infamous couple. Lachie and Mathew sheltered them.”

All of a sudden an alarm went off.

A man with silver hair and green eyes appeared.

Sakuta-“What do you want, Joeseeph?!”

Joeseeph-“To come with me. Master Makoto wants you back in exchange for Lachie.”

Sakuta-“Fine. It’s not like we have much of a choice.”

Joeseeph-“Thank you.”

Joeseeph got his car and they headed off.

Scarlet-“He’s one of the ten executives, right?”

Sakuta-“Along with nine others. Although, I have never seen the tenth one.”

At the mansion, Lachie was in shock.

Lachie-“You. You’re supposed to be dead.”

The person he was referring to was Ryan Montgomery Bell, Alex and Sam’s father and the former 6<sup>th</sup> elemental master.

Ryan-“Please keep this a secret from my sons. For their sakes.”

The next day, Lachie was reading a book on romance by himself.

Makoto walked in.

Makoto-“Who do you have your eye on?”

Lachie-“Originally it was your niece, but now I have my eye on Iris. She’s incredibly intelligent plus she’s really cute.”

Makoto-“I wish you the best of luck then, and remember to keep her safe.”

## Chapter 38

The strength of the strongest

Lachie went up to Makoto.

Lachie-“Show it to me. Show me your power.”

Makoto-“Alright.”

Makoto took him outside.

He summoned a meteorite and then proceeded to kick it. It went all the way up into the Stratosphere and landed in Times Square.

A car pulled up and Joeseeph, Sakuta, Iris, Alex, Scarlet, and Sarah came out.

Lachie walked towards his friends while Sakuta walked back to the mansion.

Upon return, Iris hugged him.

Iris-“We were so worried about you!”

Lachie-“Sorry about that.”

After arriving back in Melbourne, they got back in Sakuta’s car.

While driving back, Lachie started speaking.

Lachie-“Rebecca lied to us. For our sakes.”

When they arrived back at home, Scarlet asked Lachie to meet her in her room.

Scarlet-“Lachie. The truth is, I’ve loved you. For a long time now. So please, go out with me.”

Lachie-“I’ve known for a while now, but I’m sorry, I don’t love you.”

Iris saw Lachie shaking upon returning to his room.

Iris-“What’s wrong, Lachie?”

Lachie-“I’m scared. How am I supposed to beat Makoto? Plus, I want to tell everyone here who I saw, but there would be major consequences.”

Iris-“Come here.”

She pulled him towards her and put his head on her lap.

Iris-“Don’t worry, I’m sure we’ll figure out a way.”

Lachie-“Thank you.”

He fell asleep like that.

Meanwhile, in Sicily...

## Chapter 39

### The truth about Alice

Mr. Harris and the Principal were reading a note by Alice Shirogane.

It read-

*“My son, if you’re reading this, it means that Mother has summoned you. The truth is, I wanted you to be exiled from the Shirogane family because your Aunt, Elizabeth Shirogane, wanted to use you to defeat the Vermillions from the inside. She also knew what would happen when you and Yukiri left for Melbourne. If you still want to kill me even after reading this, then go ahead.”*

Wendy-“I should tell you, the original Wendy is still alive and she’s the first ability user as well as the person who put the curse on the James King family.”

Mr. Harris-“Thank you for giving us your time.”

Wendy-“You’re welcome. Please help keep Lachie safe and don’t tell him about what you saw here. I want him to find out the truth when he’s ready.”

Principal-“Of course.”

## Chapter 40

### Jen

An alarm was going off in Adelaide.

An entire school took shelter underground.

The teacher yelled, "Is everyone present?!"

The students all said their names in order.

"Good. Everyone's here" she said.

A woman wearing a green skirt, red shirt and blue jacket was walking towards the shelter. Her name was Jen. She was one of Makoto's executives.

"Where are those naughty school members Makoto wants me to punish? If you've been naughty, I'll punish you."

She mowed through an entire police force.

Then, as she reached the shutter, she whipped out a sword and cut it open.

Jen sings in cheerful and dreadful tune, "I spy with my little eye some very naughty people."

She changed the sword to a chainsaw.

The students and faculty all looked on in terror as they were all decapitated by the chainsaw. Blood covered the floor, leaking from the severed heads.

Upon exiting, she dusted off her clothes. She received a phone call.

It was Makoto. "Jen, how did you ?"

"All of those naughty people have been punished as per your request."

"Congratulations. Please come back to HQ."

"Right away, Master!"

## Chapter 41

### Dreams for the future

Lachie-“Hey Iris, do you have any plans for after graduation?”

Iris-“Apart from marrying you, not really.”

Lachie-...“Is that so?”

Iris-“What about you?”

Lachie-“Defeat my father’s enemies.”

Iris-“What about marriage?”

Lachie-“Not interested.”

Iris-“Well I’m going to ask the others. Bye!”

She left and headed to the dining hall.

Back at Lachie’s room, Lachie was blushing.

Lachie-“I should’ve told her! Though it’s so embarrassing!”

Flippers walked in.

Flippers-“You like Iris, huh?”

Lachie-“So, you heard?”

Flippers-“Well, it would be weirder if you didn’t like someone.”

At the dining hall, Iris asked the same question to Scarlet, Sara and Alex.

Scarlet-“I want to become a lawyer.”

Sarah-“Same here.”

Alex-“A police officer that is respected and fights for justice.”

Sarah-“What about you?”

Iris-“To be a responsible leader.”

Sarah-“Of what?”

Iris-“Queen of England.”

Scarlet-“Wait, you’re the daughter of the current queen?!”

Alex-“Yeah, my brother has told me before.”

Scarlet-“Now that I think about it, what are we going to do about the festival?”

Sarah-“Now that Sakuta’s gone, we’re going to need someone to organize it. Do you want to do it, Iris?”

Iris-“I will do my very best!”

Everyone headed to class.

Iris, upon returning to Lachie’s room, called her mother.

Elizabeth-“You want advice on how to be a leader? Well, I won’t deny a request from you. First, listen to your team. They might have advice of their own. Second, pitch in. You’re not just their leader but you’re also a member like them and third. Be encouraging and kind. Was that helpful?”

Iris-“That was. Thank you, Mother.”

## Chapter 42

### Festival planning

The students were gathered at the gym.

Iris-“I would like to tell everyone that in two weeks from now, CAUHHS will be hosting its first food and dance festival. With everyone’s help, I’m sure we can make it a success!”

They roared and cheered.

As preparations for the festival went underway, Lachie asked Mr. Harris and the Principal to go to Florence and have Richard create a chain as well as a rapier.

After doing so, he and the Principal returned to the school.

The next morning, Lachie told the Principal and Mr. Harris about the situation with Sakuta.

Mr. Harris-“I think we should wait. What do you think?”

Principal-“Same here.”

Lachie left.

During lunch, Lachie went up to Iris.

Lachie-...“Iris, could you teach me how to dance?”

Iris-“Well, if you want to.”

After dinner, Lachie called Elizabeth Vermillion.

Lachie-“Say, if I liked Iris, would you be okay with us going out?”

Elizabeth-“If she doesn’t object to it, then I’m okay with it.”

## Chapter 43

### The night of the festival

Iris-“Thank you for your help, everyone! We were all able to set this up for tonight! Let’s all work together to make it spectacular!”

The students cheered.

Alex-“Who will be providing the music?”

Iris-“A teacher named Kate. She can play a wide variety of instruments.”

Lachie met up with Iris during lunch.

Lachie-...“You have a crush on me, right, Iris?”

Iris-“Of course! You’re going to be my future husband!”

Lachie-“Thank you.”

After classes, the students gathered in the gym to prepare the food stalls.

At 7:00pm, the gates to the school opened.

30 people came and among them were Jasmine and Sam.

At 7:30pm, Kate started playing music.

Lachie and Iris started dancing.

As the song reached its conclusion, Lachie pulled Iris towards him and kissed her.

## Chapter 44

### A Scandal

Everyone in the gym looked on in surprise as Lachie pulled away after kissing Iris.

Jasmine-“To think he was that bold.”

Sam-“I sure you hope you know what you’re doing, Lachie.”

Alex-“Why? Does Iris have suitors?”

Sam-“Yes. If word gets out, one of them might do something stupid and attack either of them. Should that happen and Elizabeth finds out, she would come down with her full wrath. Believe me, you don’t want to face it.”

All of a sudden there was a blackout.

One of the guests got a knife out, snuck up behind Lachie and attempted to stab him, but Kate played a chilling song to stop them and then Mr. Harris returned power to the gym.

As the principal started dragging the guest away, Will rushed in.

Will-“Lachie. Come with me”

Lachie-“What for?”

Will-“There’s something you need to see.”

Lachie-“Fine. Make it quick.”

What Will showed Lachie sent a chill up his spine.

It was Jen killing the students and teachers.

Will-“This was captured two weeks ago.”

Lachie-“To think someone could be that deranged.”

Will-“Exactly. I showed you this to warn you about her.

Lachie-“All right. Thank you. Now then, I must help interrogate my assailant.”

Lachie went to the Principal’s office.

Lachie-“So, Mr. Assailant, tell me, why did you try and assassinate me?”

Assassin-“I’m not telling either of you anything.”

Lachie put his hands to his eyes and took off contacts.

His pupils went from light blue to scarlet.

Lachie-“Never thought I’d have to use this ability again. Tell me, why did you try to kill me?”

Assassin-“A woman who had your eyes told me to see what would happen between you and the princess. Told me not to do anything if nothing happened, but if you made a move on her, she told me to kill you.”

## Chapter 45

### A traitor in the midst

Lachie-“There’s a traitor.”

Principal-“On what grounds?”

Lachie-“The assassin was manipulated by using one of the Shirogane family’s cursed abilities. Plus they knew that Iris was here. I haven’t told any of my family members that she’s here.”

Principal-“Shall I call a meeting?”

Lachie-“No. Let no-one leave the gym. If the traitor is a Shirogane, I will be able to find them. After all, they’re immune to the cursed abilities.”

Principal-“I’ll leave it to you then.”

Lachie headed to the gym, walked up to them and asked for their names.

Each of them responded with their names.

Except one. Vanessa.

Vanessa-“You know my name, don’t you?”

Lachie-“You! You’re the traitor. Otherwise you would have told me your name.”

Vanessa-“I don’t know what you’re talking about.”

Lachie-“Then tell me your full name. If you won’t tell me, I can always get your personalized school phone. After all they always bring up the users full name.”

Vanessa-“Fine. You win.”

Lachie-“Thank you.”

Lachie took her to prison.

## Chapter 46

### The first date

The next morning, Lachie and Iris were alone in the dining hall.

Iris-“I’m really happy you reciprocated my feelings, Lachie, but could we perhaps take this slower? It was surprising when you kissed me all of a sudden at the festival.”

Lachie-“I’m sorry for being so abrupt about it. I’ll respect your feelings. Let’s take this slower.”

Iris-“Thank you for respecting my wishes. Do you want to go on a date with me today?”

Lachie-“I’d love to. Did you have anywhere in mind?”

Iris-“I can’t think of anything right now, but I love ice cream.”

Lachie-“Leave it to me, Iris. I’ll find us the best ice cream parlour.”

On the weekend, Lachie escorted Iris to Gelatissimo in the CBD.

Iris got strawberry ice cream while Lachie got chocolate ice cream.

Iris-“Thank you for taking me to this place, Lachie.”

Lachie-“I’m glad you’re enjoying the ice cream. It made the planning worth it.”

As they were enjoying their ice cream, two people noticed them.

Person with glasses-“Boss. We see them. What do we do?”

Person without glasses-“He’s also with Iris, the princess of London.”

Elizabeth (S)-“Kidnap my stupid nephew and the Princess. Bring them to me and I’ll make Lachie kill Iris.”

They snuck up behind them and knocked them out and then put them on a Steam ship docked on the Brisbane River.

## Chapter 47

### Complete Darkness

Lachie and Iris woke up in the cargo hold of a steam vessel.

Lachie-“Iris?! Are you alright?!”

Iris-“I am. What about you?”

Lachie-“Just a light headache.”

Iris-“I’m just glad you have no major injuries. Do we have anything to consume in here?”

Lachie-“Apples, watermelons, water and pears.”

Iris-“They should last us a few days.”

After eating dinner, they snuggled together to keep warm.

The next morning, Wendy was sailing and noticed the Ship.

Crew-“She’s a beautiful ship. Plus she’s allied with us.”

Wendy sensed Lachie on board.

Wendy-“Open fire.”

Crew-“Isn't she allied though?”

Wendy-“My grandson is on that vessel in the cargo hold.  
Not anymore, it's not!”

Crew-“Are you sure?”

Wendy-“I'm saving him whether you like it or not.”

She headed down to Eternal Providence's hold, opened the rampway and fired the cannon, then she proceeded to hop into the car, drove it across the water and jumped onto the ship.

## Chapter 48

### Lachie learns the truth

Lachie and Iris looked in surprise as Wendy took them out of the cargo hold.

Lachie-“Grandma! What are doing here?”

Wendy-“Saving you. I wanted to show something later, but I have to show you now.”

They jumped into the car and Wendy took them back onto the ship.

Wendy turned the ship back to Sicily.

Lachie, Iris, and Wendy went back to her house.

Lachie-“What’s the thing you wanted to show me?”

Wendy-“This.”

She got the note Alice wrote out of the chest and showed Lachie.

Lachie’s face turned into anger as a he read it.

Lachie-“I’m going to confront Aunt Elizabeth. Don’t stop me.”

Lachie created an ice platform and flew to Venice.

## Chapter 49

### Escape from Venice

Lachie went to his aunt's mansion.

Elizabeth (S)-“What can I do for you, dear nephew?”

Lachie-“Is it true? That you knew what would happen to Yukiri? That you tried to manipulate me?”

Elizabeth (S)-“Don't know anything. How dare you accuse me!”

Lachie-“Well, then. Tell me. Do you know if Rebecca is alive?”

Elizabeth (S)-“Of course. You told me she's dead.”

Lachie-“Wrong. Rebecca is alive. I don't like her anymore but I did take a picture of her.”

Elizabeth (S)-“She's supposed to be dead!”

Lachie, in a very angry voice said-“So, you knew then. For your crimes, I will punish you here and now!”

Elizabeth (S)-“Do your worst!”

Lachie drew his sword and continued to slash away at her, but she kept dodging.

She started to drown him with water.

All of a sudden, the Elizabeth (V) kicked Elizabeth (S) at light speed, which rescued Lachie.

Lachie-“What are you doing here?”

Elizabeth (V)-“Your girlfriend said you did something reckless. I came to help.”

Lachie-“I better thank her later.”

Elizabeth picked Lachie and she took him to the Eternal Providence.

Iris-“I’m glad you’re alright! Now don’t do something that stupid again!”

She slapped him.

Wendy-“Sorry to interrupt you love birds, but where can we escape to?”

Lachie-“To Perth. I know someone who will keep us safe.”

The End.