Animorphs

Most normal teens would run towards a shooting star that fell into the park. I mean, really. It's shagtastic shooting star. Those things are worth money! And they are awesome. Only... they don't normally shining in a couple colours. Or slow down... Or change direction. Or land without a bang (normally of the big variety...) Still. Helluva cool stuff.

And so starts the adventures of an alternate verse group of animorphs. Only this time, good ol' *Elf landed in a park instead of a construction site. ('Cause parks are awesome.)*

Basics:

- roll die. 15 PP on feats, skills, saves, etc. And so help me if they are not linked to back story I will nothlit you as a chicken, wring your neck, pluck your feathers and eat you with that nice earth sauce. I think it's called Barbeque.
- They will be friends. Or friendishes. Or, you could be the random stranger than also see it and makes meeting all sorts of awkward. But there are few things barbeque sauce doesn't fix.
- You should be around 16.
- Also, this is Canada because I'm Grey and [redacted] America. Enough stuff happens there already. And Canada only carries US News... Fraggle... Bah. It's North America. S'all we need to know. Doughnuts come from Tommy's Donuts. (Timmies + Dunkin Donuts. Shut up or I bring out the sauce.)
- Adding research (int) to the list
- 6 free equipment points. You aren't your own person at that age. Parents get you stuff.
- Using wealth. Base: +6.
- You are allowed to increase your stats at creation. However, they cannot increase higher than your highest rolled stat.
- Knowledges are split. Thank Yellow. Computer (Use, Programming, Hacking) as well. Tech into areas of focus. Computers:
 - areas of focus. Computers, Electronics, Robotics, Information and Comm., Industrial, Military, Domestic, Transportation, Applied... The first Four is more likely for a student.

Rules: Standard. You should seriously know these by now. I've run like, what? Six games? Four running at the moment?

Characters

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- Alexander Noel [Fenix] http://www.myth-weavers.com/sheetview.php?sheetid=669149

The Beginning

"You know, there are times when being the gentleman is somewhat unappreciated," Noah comment with the air of one overcome with the enormity of duty. "Having to escort women home so as to ensure their safety on these dangerous roads."

"I appreciate you doing this for me though.", Miyuki said to him reassuringly, "Chivalry is still appreciated in this day and age. Even if the streets are all clear at this time of night."

"You think they would let me borrow the knight costume?" Noah laughed. "Chivalry just isn't the same without it."

"No it isn't, I may have a dress I could use for my part in that duo heh.", Miyuki said to him, "But I'd rather not be the damsel, waiting for rescue just sounds boring."

"Between sitting at the top of a tower in luxury comfort, and slugging through the forest of Doom and Isolation in formerly shining armour, likely with a reluctant mount and under the hot sun to get to the mystery tower, which sounds like more fun?" Noah smirked.

"Let's put it this way, nothing happens in the tower, if no knight shows up, you're stuck there for life. Though when you put it that way, the tower does sound like a better deal.", Miyuki said to Noah. "You know that might make a good story, a little role reversal, would make a fun play." Miyuki made a mental note to jot down that idea for later.

"Pitch it to Mrs. Clark and see if she likes it," Noah said, leaving it up to yuki to run it by the club's head. While stern, she loved theatre and drama. And working with young people. He looked up as he commented, in time to see something that looked like a small shooting star streak as it burn out in the atmosphere. "Hey, did you see that?"

Miyuki followered the trail of light across the sky. "Yeah, it's a shooting star.", she said wistfully, "Odd, thing to see, cool though."

Rather than dying off, it slowly increased, small momentary streaks adding to the stars in the sky lasting no more than a few seconds at a time. Noah stopped and tried to sheild his eyes from the glare of the street lights in an attempt to see it better. "Cool, I didn't know there was a meteor shower tonight."

"Neither did I, maybe we should watch it, meteor showers are rare, wouldn't want to miss it.", Miyuki said, watching the streaks of light. She figured they were nearing the park, and so they could watch it from there.

"The park has the least lighting in the area," Noah said, as if reading her mind. "It would be the best place to go to watch this from." He smiled cryptically. "Unless you are scared that there would be ruffians lurking in the bushes."

"So long as they don't stuff me in a suitcase like that last group of 'friends' I should be fine.", MIyuki joked, "And besides, the view would be great". She chuckled a bit at the thought, "And if there really does turn out to be ruffians, I have a knight here to drive them off", she winked.

"Alas, fair maiden, for though my blade is not upon my person, my fists shall serve to protect thee, no less doth my honour allow!" Noah said grandly before breaking down into giggles.

"And if your fists don't work, you can resort to the biting and the kicking.", Miyuki giggled along, "Unfortunately you can't keep up the accent, all your power comes from the accent." They continued walking to the park.

"My lady, what an affront! A scandal!" Noah said, looking greatly offended, a hand on his chest as if holding back a rapidly beating heart. "Me? Bite people? I would never do something so crass! So... so uncultured!" Then, after a pause, he added quickly. [size=1]"Jason hit me first last week and had me in an arm-lock. His arm was all I could reach."[/size]

"Well when you put it that way yeah...", MIyuki began then shifted into a faux princess accent, "My leige I did not mean to offend, shall we proceed to the grove of gazing that we may share in the star shower ser knight."

"We must make haste, my lady," Noah said, extending his hand, palm up and fingers curled ever so slightly, reading to take her. "Swift feet will take us to the grove before the night's display can meet it's end!"

MIyuki hesitantly took his hand. "Be swift ser knight, for with the dawn comes the end of the eve's excursion....let us be off.", she said staying in her faux princess accent.

"Off we shall be!" Noah said. So the two ran for the hills. Singular. The park was at a slightly higher elevation than the suburb around it.

"I beseech you to slow your pace that I may catch up...ack", Miyuki said as she ran slower than Noah, "I can't do the accent anymore...too tired..."

Noah was panting a bit, but grinned. "We are here, anyway," he said, falling to lay flat on the grass, staring up at the sky that was still punctuated every now and again with slivers of light streaking silently across the sky.

Miyuki lay nearby staring up at the night sky. "It's so beautiful.", she commented. She was still tired from the run, but at least she wasn't tired to the point of falling asleep. The meteor shower was cool.

"Yeah... beautiful," Noah said, his tone somewhat distant, as if he had other things on his mind. Or was just focused on the display over their heads. Oddly, there was one that stood out. It was larger, much larger than the others. And coming in at a much steeper angle. A large blazing shape that seemed to be hurdling towards them. Noah, for his part, didn't notice it right away. "Whoah what's that? Noah?", Miyuki shouted as she pointed at the blazing star that seemed to be heading towards them. Miyuki prepared to move out of the way.

"Huh? What?" Noah said, blinking out of his daydream. He look in the direction Yuki was pointing and and yelled. "What the heck? Less Gawking! More Running!" Noah said, scrambling to his feet as the thing, whatever it was, rushed towards them.

Miyuki took his lead and scrambled to get clear of whatever it was. "Ahhh, carry me!", she shouted. In her fear, she didn't care if she was a human rugby ball as long as she was clear of the fireball.

Noah just grabbed her arm and pulled her along (dude's not strong enough to be totting girls around)(fyi she's 66 lbs). It wasn't really necessary though, as the fireball extinguished itself, leaving a steaming something hurling towards them instead. Not that that in itself was better, but it slowed, and as it closed, resolved itself into a, I swear I'm not kidding you, what had to be a UFO.

It didn't look like anything that flew by normal, heck, human aerodynamics. It had wings, yes, but they were too stubby to provide anything near lift. The arched structure over the back looked more like a weapon than a stabilizer. Oh, and it was about the size of a bus.

Blue smoke or gas streamed from the glowing engine(?) pods at the ends of the wings, lights flashing along the body and it hummed loudly as it streaked down, shedding speed painfully before pulling up crudely. Just enough to clear the trees line for a moment before dropping down with a muted crash.

Miyuki opened her eyes finally. "Is it safe??", she quivered in fear, not daring to approach the giant fallen star thing that happened to look like metal.

"Let's find out," Noah said, moving to the few trees that separated the thing from them.

The Stargazer

Lisa meanwhile was looking up at the night sky with a telescope in the nearby park. While she wasn't very good at it, she could at least see and zoom in on the moon. With a red light flashlight, she read over some fliers for other objects to see. Apparently Saturn and Mars were on their close approach, and the ISS would by passing overhead soon. She had some pictures as to their rough locations and aimed her telescope in that direction. First for Mars.

Something flashing across your field of vision in the scope. //also, at telescope to your equip list. //will do.

Knowing better then to foul her feild of view by chasing after something that would probbaly burn up soon anyways. Besides, she saw it, and that was all that mattered. "Cool beans." She smiled and made a silent wish. That done, she looked up and wondered if she could still see whatever it was. She shrugged when she didn't see it and went back to looking for the red planet. Notice: <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4240433/</u> I knew this would happen... Nothing.

As she watched, she might glimspe a few faint flashes in the scopes field of vision.

Lisa frowned and checked the reports she had of astronimical events. There didn't seem to be anything in regards to a meteor shower tonight... Locking the scope where it was, she found some additional lenses that would magnify her view. "Wonder what's going on up there...?" She asked no one in particular. When she saw and heard the atmospheric re entry of something from space, she squeeed and abandoned her telescope. this was way more important then some scope. She could buy an even better one if this was a surviving rock!

[b]Unidentified Falling Object[\b]

Lisa was panting by the time she got to the last known location of the thing. Out of breath, she looked around for any tell tale signs. Fire mostly. Though she knew that the rock would be more or les safe to touch. The only heat came from re entry as air couldn't get out of the way. The rocks themselves were cool to the touch if not downright cold. Sometimes even frost covered. When she saw what it was though, she blinked when she saw it and laughed happily. "HOLY F***ING SHIT!" She yelped and pushed herself to investigate the UFO, getting close to try and touch it. She passed some aquantences from school and rushed forward.

"Whoah...first a UFO...then...was that Lisa?", Miyuki asked Noah. Regardless Miyuki felt obligated to give a warning. "Get away from that thing...can't you see it's dangerous...Lisa!!", Miyuki called to Lisa.

The UFO [shape descrip above. Too lazy to go over it] looked like it went through hell. Twice. And probably backwards for a third trip. Fumes or some sort were spewing forth from various points. The hull was marred and torn in places, simply burned and scored in others. The right wing seemed to have gotten a particularly nasty hit, and a ripped gash exposed the mechanics inside, though they were alien (well, duh), and was the source of a good amount of the noxious smelling fumes. The landing didn't help, as it was sitting crookedly, one of the four legs damaged, and the ground not exactly level in any case.

"C-can I call for a reality check?" Noah asked. "This isn't some sort of delusion, right?"

"Too late, I'm seeing the same thing you're seeing ser knight.", Miyuki said.

Lisa halted as close as she dared. Pulling her shirt over her nose to minimize the fumes, hopefully. "Smells real!" She called from her closer vantage point. "How the hell do we get in?" She asked, turning back some just in case.

"You want to get IN?", Miyuki said again, "This is just too crazy..."

"You don't?" Lisa asked smiling brightly as she lowered her shirt. "I mean we could make First Contact! Right here!"

"And the fact that his thing looks like it came out of the interstellar demolition derby doesn't concern anyone? Because it concerns me. A great deal, actually," Noah said. After a moment, he pulled up his own collar.

Lisa shrugged. "Meh, probbaly had some disagreements with all the shit we send up there." She said dismissivly and waved to space.

"Maybe Lisa's right...it looks hurt, maybe we could talk to it.", Miyuki said to them.

"Talk to a ship," Noah echoed. "Wonderful idea..." He coughed and waved his hand trying to clear the air. "And I don't think satellites shoot..."

"Oh! Good idea!" Lisa said, her joy overriding most common sense. She faced the ship and cleared her throat. "Ship of unknown alien world! I am Lisa Rayas! Diplomat of Planet Earth! Open your main hatch so we can talk to your crew face to face and establish the first intersteller relationships!" She said boldly.

Noah dope slapped her. "Don't talk to ships! And don't lie to them either!"

Miyuki face palmed, "Don't talk like that, lying to aliens has got to be worse than lying to other people.", she commented.

"Owww!" Lisa said. "Well what'd you call us? We're first on the scene! That makes us diplomats!"

"That's so not how diplomacy works!" Noah scowled. He might have said more, but he was interrupted. Not vocally, though it was voice. Just not heard in the common sense of the word. It was more... felt. Understood maybe? Something the came from within their heads, instead of heading into them.

<You must leave! You are in great danger!>

Miyuki felt a strange presence in her mind calling to her. "Well there's our cue to run.", Miyuki said to Noah and Lisa.

"That feels really weird..." Lisa said, rubbing her forehead some, though bowed. "It's an honour to meet you. As the first and unofficialambassador to Earth, I welcome you to our humble little planet." [i]Or big... whatever the case may be to you,[/i] She thought "But what danger do you mean?"

Mikyuki prepared to drag Lisa back as soon as she could. "Are you sure we should stick around Lisa?" Then again Miyuki herself didn't back away from the downed alien spacecraft.

Okay, the only reason Noah wasn't about to call Lisa an idiot, was because he would prefer to know [i]what[/i] he was supposed to be running from. "Um... mysterious voice in my... er... our heads... Ignore the crazy girl. But just what is so dangerous?"

"Hey!" Lisa yelled indignantly.

<It will require... too much time to explain... You and your world are in danger>

Noah froze Voice in Head didn't sound like it was kidding. "Okay... I'm suddenly paying attention... what?"

"Wait what...alright voice in my head, what is the danger?", Miyuki asked.

"Is... Is there a short version?" Lisa asked, not bothering to ask the obvious question of 'how do you know English?'

<An invasion... an invasion of Yeerk scum who seek nothing more than to conquer and enslave you and your people> The hatred, anger and pain in the voice was clearly heard and felt. Particularly when it said 'Yeerk'. <I sought to stop them. To destroy them, but failed. Failed my duty to my people, to your people, to my family... And now, there is nothing between them and their victory.>

"What are we supposed to do, we're still in high school.", Miyuki asked. World changing stuff here, and if they tried to contact the cops or the military they'd be laughed out. This was starting to sound too much like an anime. And she wasn't so sure she wanted to be a protagonist.

"Should we call the police? Or the military? Or the government? Warn people?" Noah tried.

"There's gotta be some way to find them out, right?" Lisa asked.

Form one end of the machine, there was a load grating as an opening appeared, the hull cracking slowly, reluctantly. <They are controllers. Controllers and parasites. The Yeerk enter a creature's body, and takes control of the body.> The image of a slug like creature came to them. Grey. Slime covered. <Once they enter the body, it is there's, with access to all the memories and abilities it holds. Able to be the person they control. Worse yet, many of these are voluntary hosts.>

"You know shouldn't you know, inform people who actually have the ability to stop these aliens?", Miyuki said to the voice.

The figure stumbled out. Silhouetted in the fumes, he seem to be a centaur with a thick tail. But he staggered forward, and the image was flawed when he clear it. His legs, hooved, but delicate. More deer like than horse like. Thin arms ending in hands with too many fingers. A think tail

that ended in was a curved... blade of some sort. Blue fur coated him completely, and he was bleeding heavily, especially from the wound to his side. He had a sack of some sort in one hand. <No one on your planet can stop them. Their bug fighters can decimate your planets defenses, their Dracon Beams more powerful than your technology. Even we, the Andalites, with our fighters and Shredder weapons can face difficulties.>

<Your world will.. fall,> he collapsed.

Noah hesitated, then swore and hurried over. Yick... blue blood... He didn't know what to do to help. "Um... can I treat this or something? I mean... I know First Aid." Not that it would help. The guy didn't have a mouth... just four nostrils, two eyes and another two on antenna. Or were they stalks?

Lisa went to his side to help the alien up, helping Noah. "Then... What do we do? Why are you telling us to run?"

"Seems the only way we can live is if we weren't on the planet.", Miyuki said dejectedly. "And well...what are we to do, is he....dead?"

The alien blinked slowly. <Children. You are only children...>

He inhaled a shuddering breath. <Listen well... I am... Elfangor... Elfangor-Sirinial-Shamtul. An Andalite Prince. My dome ship fell to Visser Three's Blade Ship and army... The Visser is one of the Yeerk leaders...> Elfangor rose unsteadily to his feet. <I told you to run because... because he will be coming to ensure I am dead. To kill me himself.>

Well Crap, Noah thought. "Um.. El... El... dammit... should you be standing Elf?"

"And what makes you think we can outrun this Vizier Three.", Miyuki asked.

Lisa's mouth quivered slightly, unsure of what to do. "We probably can't..." She said, any good willshe was feeling earlier about having first contact was gone and replaced with dread and fear.

<The Yeerk... they are arrogant. Visser three even more so. They will have no reason to think to look for others,> Elfangor said. He did a strange coughing thing despite his lack of a mouth, and blood leaked from his nostrils. He looked at them all. Stalk eyes swiveled as he did. <I... I must ask something dire of you... I am dying. Nothing with change that. The Andalite Fleet will come. But it will take time...>

"What does that... I mean... what?" Noah said, head spinning.

"What...does that...have to do...with...us...we can't do anything about an alien invasion.", MIyuki sighed in defeat.

"But you just said that nothing we have can even dent the yeerks..." Lisa said.

<Human technology... no. But...> Elfangor hesitated. What he was about to do would break one his people's highest laws. He did it anyway. <My people's greatest invention is the Escafil device. A technology that gives the user to ability to touch another organism, acquire there DNA by focusing on them, and then morph into that creature.>

"No way!" Noah blurted out.

"I knew this was an anime plot...someone tell me if I'm dreaming.", Miyuki said.

<It is real.> From the sack, he pulled out a softly glowing cube.

"Whaaaa...?" Lisa could only ask, wondering if she should poke it.

"That cube...I remember seeing something like that in a movie once.", Miyuki said remembering the time she watched Captain America and the Avengers. The tesseract. Miyuki was almost certain she was dreaming, her brain inserting the tesseract was only a sign.

"Smack her for me, Noah..." was all Lisa had to say in regards to that.

Noah did, but in a robotic manner, his heart not behind it, fascinated by the cube.

<Children... I must ask you. With this, you might be able to hold out, collect knowledge for when my people arrive with reinforcements. Are you willing?>

Alright dream, don't fail on me now. "Aye.", she said happily. Though everything else she did this day was real, so she had to accept that most likely she was still awake.

"I'm in," Noah said right after Yuki, not letting a girl seem more brave than he was.

"Yeah... Yeah, I'm in too."

There was a buzzing. Elfangor looked up, and Noah and the others followed. Two red lights in the sky. <Bug Fighters,> he said with distaste. <We must act quickly. Press your hands on the sides of the Escafil device.>

Miyuki placed her hands on the side of the tesseract/Escafil device that was closest to her. She wondered what would happen next.

Noah followed instructions, not sure if he wanted to see what would happen when the bug fighters arrived.

Lisa touched the cube, keeping an eye out towards the sky.

Elfangor did the same, and the box's glow changed subtly as a shock, not a painful one, but a pleasurable one, jolted through their bodies. It was as if... yeah... moving on. (Oh my) <They will be here shortly... there is little time to explain...>

Lisa did so and shivered as she felt the power go into her. She shivered, hairs on her neck standing on end.

"Ahhhhhhh....", Miyuki squeed as some sort of energy rushed into her body tickling her insides. She stifled a giggle. That was wierd. "Wow...that felt strange.", she said finally.

Now that... was weird. For a lot of reasons. A while lot of reasons. Likely... seriously... He focused back on the matter, using his other hand to support Elfangor as he swayed. "Explain?"

<The most important thing; never stay in morph for more than two of your hours. You will be trapped. Forever. Now go. Take the cube with you. I cannot allow it to end up in Yeerk hands.> Elfangor shoved the cube and it's bag into Noah's arms. He staggered slightly from the exertion.

Nooah grabbed his arm, intent on not letting this alien... actually, he had no idea what he was doing. "We can't let you die either!"

Elfangor stilled for a moment. <No. I am too weak to morph... and Visser Three knows I am here... He is the abomination, and I cannot allow the Escafil device to fall to him.> Above them the red lights were growing and the bug fighters closed. <Now run children! Run and hide!>

"Thank you um...Elf...You heard the man, horse, alien...andalite, let's go.", Miyuki said as she dashed to a set of nearby bushes and curled up into a ball hidden among the foliage. She had a naturally small profile and in the dark, she looked like just a rock in the bush. The fact she chose the black dress tonight helped too.

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As much as Lisa wanted to try out the new power, she just placed a hand on his shoulder and sighed. "Thank you," She whispered then seemed to just vanish into the darkness as she moved to find some cover.

This, that or is it the other thing? <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4241960/</u> 15 Stealth <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4241962/</u> nat 20.

Noah was more reluctant to depart, holding the cube, clutching really, to his chest. He looked back a few times well, Elfangor glaring up at the sky with defiance and hate, though one of his antenna eyes was watching them. Noah swallowed and found a hiding spot in the bushes of his own near to Yuki.

[url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4241841/]Stealth (1d20+3=16)[/url]

A red flash lanced from the sky, and struck the ship Elfangor came down in, and it simply vanished. Disintergrated. Noah whimpered and stuck his fist in his mouth. [i]Not a sound, not a sound.[/i]

Slowly the Bug fighters descended. It was easy to see where they'd gotten their nickname. They were slightly larger than the Andalite fighter and shaped like legless cockroaches. There were small windows like eyes on the forward-thrust head of the bug. And on either side of the head were two very long, very sharp, serrated spears.[from the book]

<Stay hidden. Do not move or attract attention,> Elfangor's voice said to them. His attention was still up. Noah spared a glance upwards. There was a shadow. A dark shape on the sky. Large. Very large. While Noah was looking up, trying to figure out what that shape was, and where the sky ended and the thing started. While his attention was focused on that, the bug fighters opened. The first things out were... monsters were the best word. Dinosaur like feet with long arms. Blades sprouting from elbows, wrists and jutting from the reversed knees. Two more at the ends of their tails and dagger like horns on the small head with a beak like mouth at the end of a snake like neck. They slashed at the air. They were like a living weapon. <Hork-Bajir Controllers,> Elfangor's voice said. It was weaker. Softer. <Despite their looks, there are originally a gentle people. Now, they are slaves to Yeerks.>

Miyuki was too scared to do anything but curl up into a tight ball and refused to move or say anything. She didn't even bother looking around. She was a rock, she wouldn't die to a bunch of bug aliens.

More creatures crawled out. They were like massive centipedes, twice as long as a grown man. So big around that if you tried to hug one, your arms wouldn't make it even halfway. Not that anyone would ever want to. They had dozens of legs that supported the lower two thirds of their bodies. The top third was held upright, and there the rows of legs became smaller, with little lobster-claw hands. Around the top of their disgusting, tubular bodies were four eyes, each like a wiggling globule of red Jell-O. And at the very end, pointing straight up in the air, was a round mouth, ringed by hundreds of tiny teeth. <Taxxons. Evil creatures willingly surrendered to Yeerk control.>

Noah was very glad for that fist... otherwise he might have screamed. <Make no noise children,> Elfangor's voice warned. <Neither can see well in the dark, but Hork-Bajor have keen ears.> They ringed him, fencing him in unsettling silence.

Miyuki curled up even tighter, and tried to block out the voice in her head. She didn't need to know how much danger she was in. She was a rock, it was a cold night but she endured

Another figure came out of one of the fighters. An andalite. <Visser Three!> Elfangor said with barely controlled rage.

<Elfangor,> the andalite responded arrogantly. <The last andalite prince in this sector.>

Noah shook harder when he realized he was hearing the Visser's thoughts.

<The Visser cannot hear your thoughts,> Elfangor said, thought he was stiff with pain and fury. <In his pride, he is broadcasting to all.>

<There will be others,> the Andalite prince said to Visser Three.

The Visser took a step closer to the Andalite. <Yes, and when they come it will be too late. This world will be mine. My own contribution to the Yeerk Empire, Our greatest conquest. And then I'll be Visser One.>

<What do you want with these Humans?> the Andalite asked. <You have your Taxxon allies. You have your Hork-Bajir slaves. And other slaves from other worlds. Why these people?>

<Because there are so many, and they are so weak,> Visser Three sneered. <Billions of bodies! And they have no idea what's happening. With this many hosts we can spread throughout the universe, unstoppable! Billions of us. We'll have to build a thousand new Yeerk pools just to raise Yeerks for half this number of bodies. Face it, Andalite, you have fought well and bravely. But you have lost>

Visser Three stepped right up to the Andalite. I could feel the Andalite's fear, but rather than cower, he fought the pain of his wound and climbed to his feet. He knew he was going to die. He wanted to die on his feet, looking his enemy in the face.

But Visser Three was not done taunting his foe. <I promise you one thing, Prince Elfangor; when we have this planet, with its rich harvest of bodies, we will move against the Andalite home world. I will personally hunt down your family. And I will personally oversee the placement of my most faithful lieutenants in their heads. I hope that they will resist, so I can hear their minds scream.>

The Andalite struck! His tail whipped up and over, so fast you couldn't really see it. The Visser twisted his head aside. The Andalite's tail blade missed the Visser's head by a bare half-inch. But it sliced into his shoulder. Blood - or something like blood - sprayed from the wound. <Aaaaaarrrrgh!> Visser's voice screamed in their head.

"Visser!" voices, called out. Some of them... human?

Lisa could only watch in horror at the scene, closing her eyes to try and block out the sounds, but given the mental connection, she couldn't.

While Miyuki was mostly able to block out the voices, the mental connection still tranferred feelings. Horror, pain, then silence. Miyuki was terrified.

//if you people react this badly to a tail blade wound...

//this goes too far...in time she'll be able to handle battle, but this is her getting the bad end of an empathy link.

Noah's fist was bleeding from teeth wounds, as hard as he was biting on it. [i]No sound, don't make a sound...[/i] he told himself over and over.

Visser Three was furious. <Hold him!> The controllers surged forward and pinned Elfangor, even as he tried to fight back. The Visser morphed. Elfangor didn't warn them that morphing was nightmarefuel. The Visser's hindlegs shriveled away, sucking back into his truck like a kid slurping up spagetti, his forelegs swelling and expanding in gut wrenching surges, delicate

hooves and furred limbs turning into leathery clawed and powerful legs. His trunk jekred and thrust out into a powerful tail, his torso bulging as it gained size, his head... it grew and slit into a massive mouth with jagged teeth several feet long.

It was a monster. Far more so than the taxxon of Hork Bajor. Visser three loomed, tall as a house, arms turned into tentacles that snatched up Elfangor. <This is your loss [i]War Prince[/i]> he sneered. <But tell me. Where is the Escafil Device?>

Elfangor struggled. Noah, personally, could only see one end coming. And he didn't want to. But he couldn't will his body to move. <Fool!> Elfangor said, even as he struggled. <You destroyed it with my ship!>

<Pity,> The Visser said, lifting Elfangor up, jaws open, before letting the Andalite fall into his maw. It was quick. The end. Elfangor only got to cry out once.

Lisa whimpered, having to bite down on her arm to not let any more sound out. Everything just sounded so horrifying! The cry of the fallen warrior was burned into her mind for as long as she would live now.

For Noah... the worse part was the laughter. Visser's, the hork-bajor and the human controllers as well. His body finally moved. In order to throw up.

Tears began running down Lisa's face at everything. She just felt so powerless...

One of the Hork-Bajor swivels it's snake head, glaring at the bushes they were hidding in. It said something Noah couldn't hear and slowly made his way over to the hiding place, anisodactyl crunching over the gravel and grass.

Miyuki couldn't see it, she was thankful for that as the noise was bad enough. She dared not move in fear of being discovered by one or more of the killer aliens.

Noah, unfortunately, had a wonderful view of the Hork-Bajor approach as the Visser demorphed. He held his breath as the creature looked around. With a flash, it swung it's arm, shaving off the top of a bush near them. Noah didn't just hold his breath, he froze up. Pretty sure his heart stuttered.

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<You! Where are you going? Get back here!>

"Yes Visser!" The controller turned on his oversized bird of prey feet and returned. It was another few moments before Noah's lungs started working again. And there was a warmth spreading at his crotch.

Miyuki still dared not move, she shivered due to the cold, and was too terrified to move. Some nightly stroll this turned out to be.

Lisa curled into a ball. It was all she could do by this point.

The aliens and controllers gathers, using hand held weapons, lasers of some sort, to clean up anything they missed as the Vissor returned to his ride. As they talked, one of the human voices sounded familiar.

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Noah knew that voice... And that scared him more, well, just as much as everything else he'd seen so far that night. He knelt there in the dirt, his hand bleeding pretty badly from the bites, the dampness in his pants slowly seeping, not moving even as the bug fighters lifted off. With wide eyes, he watched them skirt the dark shape in the sky and head off, the shape following after them until they were lost in the distance.

Miyuki was a cold and wet girl shaped rock in the dirt. She didn't dare move, and suspected she was covered in dirt and mud. She mentally went over the events in her mind, the shooting stars, the downed spacecraft, the tesseract in the hands of a centaur alien, parasitic alien invaders. She was almost certain she was the protagonist in this anime-esque introduction, oh wow, she needed to make a costume for herself when she wasn't about to die. These thoughts kept her sane, where she lay, curled into a ball in the bushes.

"There... they're gone..." Noah said in a soft voice.

"Really...", Miyuki mewed softly. Her body ached, and she still feared for her life.

Noah wandered over, out of the shelter of the bushes, to where Elfangor's last moments were. There weren't any drops or spalshes of blood around. The controller's had taken care of those with their ray guns, leaving only patches of bare scarred earth stripped of grass behind.

"They really gone? We're not dead right now?", Miyuki mewed again. She was still shellshocked by the expirience, but cautiously got on her hands and knees. She looked up to see scorched earth. She staggered to her feet, with tears in her eyes.

Ten minutes. Maybe less. And his world was turned totally upside down. And there was no way he could forget about it and just go on with his life. Worse, not knowing that person was there. He looked down at the ground were he was standing. There were some drops of blood there. Blinking with surpise, he finally realized his hand was bleeding (ow... now it was starting to sting...) He winced and scrubbed the spots into the dirt with his shoe. He had not clue what they could do, but he would find out.

Hopefully.

"Yuki?"

"Ack, don't hurt me!", she screeched, "Oh it's just you...what happened, the blue centaur told us to hide and I felt horrible things...and now everything's gone....what happened?", Miyuki stammered. The last 10 minutes changed her life. Some meteor shower this turned out to be, she half expected a theme song to start playing.

"They killed him," Noah said.

"Oh...we didn't even get to know him...we should get out of here in case the killer aliens come back.", Miyuki suggested. She tried to act calm but she was visibly shaking trying to stay standing.

Hearing that the fighters and things had left, Lisa began crying, letting her voice join the saddness.

"I don't think they are coming back, but we should leave..." Noah said.

"Where could we go, who would believe what just happened, I don't even beleive what just happened", Miyuki said to Noah.

Lisa at last whimpered and looked up at everyone... all two of them. trembleing like a leaf, she slowly got up, though just to all fours. She couldn't manage any more. Then she began to gag and dry heave. Thankful that she had missed supper for once.

"I'm heading home," Noah said.

"I feel so weak...I think I'll follow...", Miyuki said to Noah.

"I wanna go home..." Lisa whimpered after she finally stopped gagging.

"Noah would you mind if I crashed at your place?", Miyuki said, "This is all so freaky." She wheezed in fear.

"Just get me anywhere... anywhere but here..." Lisa murmered, slowly rising to her feet.

Miyuki fell on all fours . She still shivered in fear and managed to stagger to her feet again. And then followed Noah as he walked home.

He was tired, he needed some first aid on his hand, and he really needed a new set of pants... The details about how he'd explain stuff to parents would sort themselves out.

"It's a school night... and it's late. Our folks are already going to be worried," Noah said.

"If you put it that way.", Miyuki said, "Guess it's too late to arrange a sleepover...." She said to Noah sheelpishly. She was starting to regain her strength.

"M--" Lisa started slowly. "My mom s-said I could b-be out until midnight... For s-stargazing."

"Good for you. My curfew is nine. I only got an hour before of practice," Noah said. "And boy. Girl. Very late. I'll see you at school."

"I g-guess I'll see you then s-ser K-knight.", Miyuki said to Noah doing her best to regain her bearings.

"I ju-just w-want to be somewhere... n-not here..." Lisa said, looking to Noah still terrified of everything that happened.

"Maybe we should just go to bed...", Miyuki said to them. "We can't do anything about what happened...nothing at all."

"I'll see you in the morning," Noah said.

"Alright...see ya then.", Miyuki said as she trudged her way back home. She entered and promptly crashed on the couch. In the morning she tried her best to finish her daily waffles and milk while watching the morning news.

The events of the previous night kept replaying in her mind. What were these aliens, was she really the protagonist now. Did she need to change her her hair color. The events felt too real to be a dream, too dangerous to be fake. She was still rattled by the expirience. She wore her cat ears headband and a nice dark blue strapless dress.

When Lisa woke up in her bed after hving somehow gotten to her place, she sighed, rubbing her head. "All just a dream... Thank fuck..." She said. "That was... ugh." She shivered at the thought. "Back to normal..." She sighed and got out of bed. Her mother was asleep, having worked late in the office the night before and her father was at work. Quietly, she slipped down to put on some mind-numbing early morning TV shows before school started. TV, breakfast, coffee... Life was good. Everything that happened was just some horrifying nightmare... She'd have to talk to her mom about it eventually. IF she could remember it while school went on.

Noah didn't get much sleep all night. Everything he closed his eyes, he could see it before him again, as if it where fresh. Echoes of Elfangor's final scream did it's best to wake him whenever he did manage to close his eyes to the images. Long night short; it was horrible. There were heavy bags under his eyes come morning. At least Apollo decided it was his time to be nice and keep him company. Small solaces.

It hit him at breakfast. That important thing he had overlooked. He grabbed his bag.

"I'm heading out early mom!" Noah called as he raced out the door. His left hand was pretty well bandaged, and he had already prepared some spare ones the night before. He'd have to warn the girls before they did something stupid. He snagged his bike and hightailed it as best he could. He reached school a good hour earlier than most students.

Miyuki arrived at the usual time, when the bus arrived. She still didn't fully understand what happened, but she rationalized it as a fantasy, or just a very strange series of events.

Lisa meanwhile walked her way to the school and went to read in the lobby, sun on her back as she pulled out her book. Periodically, her head peeked up to spot some of her friends, waving to them. Though she wasn't in the mood for talking to them. She was keeping an eye out for the two in her dream. Noah and Miyuki.

Noah grabbed Lisa from behind.

"ACK!" Lisa yelped alarmed.

"Quiet and go to the sports shed. The one behind the gym. I need to go find Yuki," Noah said.

Miyuki stood about a foot shorter than both of them. "Hey you two.", she poked Noah in the back. Her small stature made her harder to notice. But she walked into view.

"Hello Noah, How are you? I'm well thanks for asking. Had a dream about you last night. No not that kind.OR that kind!" Lisa said, somewhat annoyed at Noah for suddenly glomping her, but instead she closed her book, index finger over her place and headed there.

"They are here," Noah hissed, a desperate expression on his face.

"The...who's they??", Miyuki asked him.

"Back Sports shed. Five minutes. Don't go together," Noah said before hurrying off without actually looking like he was hurrying.

Lisa sighed and shook her head. "Sheesh... What was all that about?" She scratched her head.

"He thinks it was more than just a fantasy ... wait ... you were in my dream last night Lisa "

"I could say the same about you. And Crazy McLostmarbles there." She said, pointing a thumb over to where Noah had vanished.

"I'm willing to give him the benefit of the doubt...see you soon.", Miyuki said as she moved across as inconspicuously as possible to the sports shed.

"Um...Noah...you really here?", Miyuki asked entering the sports shed.

Lisa sighed, shook her head and looked at a ceiling light. "Did the world go crazy? or is it just me?" She asked the lightbulb. Not getting a response, she meandered off to the sports shed, taking time tofully wake up before classes began. and the crazy cat man to tell her what got his fur in a knot. "This better be good..." she mumbled. "At this rate, we might be late to class..."

Noah, who had been slinking behind the door, closed it behind Lisa when she came in. "Did anyone see you?"

"No.", Miyuki said to him.

"Yeah. A clown, bearded woman and a midget. But they found the lobster boy they were looking for and we went our seperete ways." Lisa chimed in.

"<u>Miss</u> Graceland was there," Noah said. Normally, he'd be giving just as many snide remarks, but at the moment... panic didn't allow for it. "Our vice-principal was there."

"That guy with the toupee? Really...how...why...what?", Miyuki said to him.

"There? Where there?" Lisa said flatly. "Make sense. Prefferably sooner rather then later."

"Our Vice-Principal Mrs Susan Graceland was at the park last night," Noah said, stressing the words.

"I didn't see anything...how do you know? And what does that have to do with us...you don't beleive the tesseract is real do you?", Miyuki said to Noah.

Lisa felt the beginnings of a migraine and rubbed her temples. "Look, I was just out stargazing last night. caught the glimpse of a meteor shower. I didn't see anyone. Had some Fuh--" She stopped, remembering Noah's rabid hatred of swears. "Messed up nightmare last night, but most of it was audio. I didn't see anything."

"Just because you were to scared to watch him die doesn't make if fake!" Noah snapped, panting heavily. "There were humans in the park with them last night. One of them was Miss Graceland. She laughed when he died. She. **[b]Laughed[/b]**."

"Annnd Migrane coming on even harder..." Lisa said. "Look, slow down and take it from the top. Who's him? One thing at a time. Beginning, middle, end. Story, tell it. Rising action, climax, descending action."

"Alright Noah...calm down...there were killer aliens, I had much worse to worry about.", Miyuki said. She couldn't deny the events of last night in the park anymore.

Noah looked terrified. He ignored Lisa and put his hands on Miyuki's shoulders. "Yuki... there are in our school! They canceled the morning classes for a presentation."

"I was wondering why no one was in first period.", Miyuki said,"Why aren't we there and in here skipping it?"

"It's about students not being allowed in the park after dark! I talked to Mr. Muirehead and asked him about it. He said the police are looking for the teenagers that vangalized the park last night!" //Muirehead- bio teacher

"Annud the world has officially go crazy." Lisa said. "Look, if you need me, I'mma head back in and wait out this little meltdown until Noah here can say what he wants to cohearently." While she said those words, she didn't make a move to turn away... yet. A quiet voice in the back of her mind held her back.

"It's a coincidence alright...but can you possibly beleive that the tesseract granted us morphing powers?", Miyuki clasped Noah's hand and adjusted her cat ear headband.

"I dunno... I was too scared to try it... I just hid the box..." Noah admitted.

"Wait!" Lisa said, suddenly stepping betweeen Noah and Miyuki, looking at the two with a mix of interest, and dawning horror. "What did you just say? Both of you!"

"So you do still have the blue box of doom...Not so loud Lisa, please.", Miyuki said to them.

"Elfa... Elfo... Elf gave it to me and said keep it safe," Noah said.

""Elfie...Elfang...Enfangor I think it was...wait...he gave you the tesseract?", Miyuki said.

"Elfangore..." Lisa breathed. "The name from my nightmare... How'd you know that?"

"We were there in the park last night...", Miyuki said placing a hand on Lisa's side as she couldn't reach her shoulder.

Noah collapsed to the floor, his back hitting the crate of soccer balls, two or three of them bouncing across the small room. "They killed him for getting in their way... and now they are looking for us..."

"And we're not leaving for our homes or something because...?" Lisa asked, breaking out into a cold sweat.

Miyuki fell to her knees. Despite the horror, she believed him. "*meow*", she called and crawled over to Noah's feet. She feared he was right...and then lay down...

Lisa facepalmed. "Now is not the time for your mating dance with Noah!"

"Shut up, I can't take all this at once...", Miyuki stood up again, she had just snapped for a moment there. "Sorry about that."

[*i*]*How's morphing into animals supposed to help*,[/*i*] Noah though furiously to himself. Elf must have has some idea in mind. "I don't know..."

"Don't know what?", Miyuki said to Noah. "ANd how do we know we even have that power...it's too much like a comic book if it's true"

"Elf gave us the box..." Noah said slowly. "He said something about acquiring DNA, right?"

"Something like that. And a time limit I think..." Lisa added.

"You think the tesseract really gave us this power?", Miyuki said.

"I don't know... but he said Visser Three," Noah's tone held some of the hate the Elf's had the night before, "was the only one controller who could do it, and he did..."

"Oh? And Elfie?", Miyuki asked.

"Maybe... think I should try?" Noah asked.

"Go for it... Who wants to volenteer? Cause he said that it only worked with animals." Lisa said. "Unless you streach the efinition to include humans."

"But what would you morph?", Miyuki asked.

Noah really wasn't sure if he believed what he was saying, despite everything. "You know Apollo, right? I had him with me all night..."

"Your cat?", Miyuki asked, "What about him?" She was skeptical but hopeful.

Actually saying it out loud might make it sound even more ridiculous than it sounded in his head. He was actually suggesting that he try and turn into his cat... Actually... he didn't have much of a clue of how to make that happen... he closed his eyes and tried to picture his greytabby cat. With his eye closed, he did realize when changes started happening. Shrinking happening at the same time as his brown skin fading into the grey and black of Apollo's fur as fuzz started sprouting. [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4242938/]Power Check=20[/url]

Lisa stared wide at Noah as he shrunk and grew fur, then almost screamed, the sound catching in her throat. Instead, she started quaking again.

Miyuki watched in awe, rubbing her eyes several times to try to confirm what she was seeing. She stood in silent awe. "Noah...how...what....what?", she finally exclaimed.

Noah opened his eyes, letting his focus slip so the morphing proccess paused. "Not working?" He asked, totally oblivious to what was going on, or that he'd shrunk to about a 3/4ths of his previous size.

"You're almost my height Noah", Miyuki said illustrating by petting him on the head, mostly to confirm this was real. "And you look like some sort of mutated furry, please finish what you started please before I decide to puke.", Miyuki said to him.

Lisa blinked, then babbled something along the lines of "hammavghvrzzvarg." As words and letters jumbled together into a big mess.

"What?" Noah said. Realizations came in then. Everthing seemed slightly bigger. And he really was Yuki's size. He stumbled, tripping over the ends of jeans that were too long for him and almost falling on his face. Smaller hands covered in grey fuzz and a slipping bandage, now too large, came into view. "Yaaah!" he yelled in panic.

Lisa couldn't help but watch, then reached out to poke Noah just to see if it was real.

Noah flinched and the poke and wiggled his fuzzy and somewhat stubby fingers. He looked up at Lisa, one eye still normal, the other feline. "What do I do? What do I do?" He panicked.

"you're asking me? Just... Do what you did before. Please... faster." Lisa said, shivering.

"Try focusing on the cat, the form, be the cat.", Miyuki said.

"Um.. yeah, yeah..." Noah said, a tremor in his voice. What if he got stuck? He closed his eyes again. Think of Apollo, think of Apollo... the morphing started up again as if he'd never stopped. His hair got lost in the wash of fur that sprouted from fuzz to full thickness him a couple seconds, he could feel it as bones shifted about and an itching as a tail sprouted under the cover of the clothes that were quickly going from fitted to something that seemed like it could cover a car as his shrinking kept going. It took about a minute or two before he didn't feel anything else happen. Of course, caught up in his clothes as he was, he really couldn't see anything.

"Noah...?" Lisa whimpered, and began to hook her boot around some of the clothing to move it aside. "Are you still there?"

MIyuki moved his clothing out of the way to see a carbon copy of Appolo the cat. "Is that really you...wow...", she said.

With a hiss, the cat shoot out as soon as the clothes that he was wrapped up in were moved, darting between Lisa's legs and slipping under one of the storage crates in the room. [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4242992/</u>]Instinct check: DC 15+5 (first time) (1d20+2=3)[/url] (Castle revenge I guess... perfect check for shifting, perfect fail for control...)

Lisa yelped in fear from the sudden shock of movment. She went to the far side of the shed and blinked at Noah's new form. When she finally shook off the shock, she knelt down. "Noah...? Apollo?" She asked. "Are you okay...? Are you still there?"

Noah, running on full cat at the moment, inched back a few steps and hissed a her, feline eyes reflecting the light.

Lisa mostly ignored the hissing. "Yeah yeah, hiss to you too." She said, then tried tothink on how best to deal with a pissed off cat. Her mind though went to food. all animals liked food, right? She pulled her backpack off and seached for her tuna sandwich. "Ah ha..." She said smiling. "Hey there," she waved it in the air. "Smells good, huh? Mmmmm. Want it?"

Noah sniffed the air and found the smell tempting, and slowly crawled forward and sniffed at the sandwich.

"That's it," Lisa said, still holding the sandwich. "It's good. Real tuna." She encouraged. So far, she was at step one of her plan. Lure Noapollo out, she was still working on step two. Step three would end with her holding the catman and try to get him back to normal.

Noah pawed at it, then took a bite.

Miyuki kneeled and then began petting to try and comfort the Noahcat, and then proceeded to try scratch behind the ears as she had seen Noah do to his cats. She was still trying to believe what happened, but after the events of last night she was inclined to believe anything now. "Noah if that's still you in there give us a sign.", she said to the cat.

Ahhh... that felt nice... He tilted his head so she could get to the nice spot and started purring softly. He rolled over so she could get to his tummy. <Ahhh....>

"Is that you in my head...just like Elfie...try thinking something else.", Miyuki said as she cautiously rubbed the cat's tummy. She had to admit, she was a little jealous of Noah's position at the moment, but the threat of alien invasion still bit at her.

The purring didn't stop right away, but it slowed and the cat Noah was gave her a distinctly human look of hesitation. As much as a cat could pull that off anyway. He mewed. <Yuki..?> [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4243163/]1d20+2+1=23[/url]

"Yes I am Yuki...good...how do you feel?", Miyuki asked him. She was still unclear about this whole thing, but it seemed that was getting her wish...she was in some sort of strange anime that happened to be real life.

Noah rolled over and took a few hesitant steps, trying to get the rhythm of moving on four legs. <This is so weird,> he thought. He thought it was to himself, but he apparantly progected it as well as he looked around the room, the scale making everything look different.

Lisa retracted her sandwich and put it back into it's case. "I'm amazed thta worked... Better then what I had in mind."

"Just how wierd is it being a cat...and you should probably try to change back before we learn firsthand about that time limit.", Miyuki suggested, "I'm actually a little jealous you discovered the power." She stroked his back again...it seemed Noah was literally a cat.

Noah purred again and curled around to brush up against her leg. <Hmm... that feels really good...>

There was a pounding on the door. "Who's in there?"

"Ack...", Miyuki said surprised by the pounding on the door. "That's probably them...or is it...", she said half expecting dramatic music to play once she said it.

The door slid open, revealing the scowling face of the school Gym instructor (manager? head? Whatever...) Jim Morales. "Lisa Rayas! Miyuki Nanewa! What are you doing in here? School Rules clearly state the store rooms are out of bounds for students without express permission, much less during school hours, and during a mandatory address from the Vice-Principal! Get moving or I'll be seeing you in detention!"

Noah[cat] hissed and scooted behind Yuki.

"Sorry Mr. Morales, Lisa and I were on our way when we spotted this stray cat, and I told Lisa not to try and give it a tuna sandwich but she wouldn't listen sir, and now the cat won't leave us alone, we've taken it in so to speak.", Miyuki began in her most believable tone. She kneeled down and grabbed the cat protectively trying to shield it from Mr. Morales. "It's skittish around strangers, you know how cats sometimes are...anyways sorry for rambling but this cat isn't leaving us and we gotta do something ya know...please...it's grown attached to us..." Miyuki paused a bit to catch her breath before continuing, "We can't just leave it here all alone...it needs a home you see...so I guess, we'll get going like you said, but the cat comes with us." Diplomacy:

Taking 10 for a 15 to diplomacy. +4 for attractive if the gym teacher's attracted...O.o

Noah didn't say anything. Elf could apparently mind-talk-telepathy-thing to specific people, but he didn't know how to do it so he didn't want to risk it. He did glare at Yuki for calling him an it though.

"Nice try missy, but there are no pets allowed on school grounds without special permision from a member of faculty," Jim said. As the Gym instructer, he was often the only to watch the school gates and dealt with the rule breakers often. It showed in his slightly bored heard-it-all-before tone. "Now give it here. We'll keep him in the staff room or with the grounds keeper for the day."

Noah panicked and started yowling and squirming in Yuki's grasp. No way he was going to get put in a box in the staff room! The two hour limit wasn't on his mind at the moment, something he honestly forget, but the indignity of being boxed in the staff room...

"Whoah, calm down...he's likely very upset by the thought....Cat's aren't easily contained. I think he's only tame around me and Lisa...I'm not entirely sure.", Miyuki said to Mr. Morales. She was worried for Noah, she didn't want to test that 2 hour time limit or the possibility that Noah lost his mind.

Noah squirmed some more.

Miyuki instantly released Noahcat when she felt him squirming more. "See, you can't even hold him for too long...", she said to the gym teacher.

Noah slipped out when she started talking and made a break for the back corners of the room, underneath and behind the stacks and crates of equipment. Cats were very good at that sort of fleeing and hiding, so Noah just let the cat instincts lead.

"Wait where'd he go?", Miyuki said in disbelief. She knew she let him run. Ah well. "It'll take too long to find him. Lisa, we've done enough for the stray cat.", she said trying to divert attention back to how much they shouldn't miss the mandatory assembly.

"Aha!" Jim said. He prowled into the room, eyes flitting from one thing to another in the room. "I may not look it, but I used to work with animal control! I... uh... would rather not talk about it though. I'll find this cat in no time..."

His diligent seeking eyes spied something. "Hold on a minute Rayas, Nanewa!" Jim bent and picked up Noah's clothes. "Just what exactly are these?"

"Um...it's not what it looks like.", Miyuki said sheepishly, she managed to blush when confronted by Noah's clothes.

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[You spot a cell phone and wallet on the ground. must have fallen out of the pocket when Lisa kicked the clothes. ..noah's? Ye.]

"It looks like some boys clothes," Jim said firmly. Noah peered out from between two storage units [stealth 20]

"Sir, I can explain.", Miyuki said her voice growing more desperate, "It's not what you think...", Miyuki continued with the same desperation. Perform Acting: Take 10 for 18

"Oh, really?" Jim said. "Pants, shirt, shoes, even socks and underwear."

"Mr. Morales...I...I didn't.", Miyuki said to him, this time she didn't even need to ham it up. She was already being falsely accused.

"I'm waiting for your explanation you two," Jim said firmly.

"Well..." Lisa coughed, wondering what the hell could work for this. The best she could think of what that the two of them had seduced one of the guys, but then that woulnd't explain where the guy in question WAS. [i]crap, crap, crap, crap, crap...[/i]

"If you don't want to tell me, you are free to tell it to the principal," Jim said.

"We came here this morning to the shed for a friendly discussion with a 'friend of ours'. It was meant to be private...however I admit we forgot to lock the shed door, hence leading to this embarassing meeting. Sir...I apoligize it will not happen again.", Miyuki said. She had just

confessed to something she didn't do to avoid having to give the horrible truth. "Isn't that right Lisa..."

"That's right! We seduced him! He took off!" Lisa added, blushing furiously. "We were just about to get more comfortable too!"

"Had to run...No need to tell him all the naughty details Lisa.", Miyuki said.

"That's it. Both of you are going to the principals office!" Jim declared. He pointed to the door. "Now march!"

Lisa meeped and ran out of there as though the devil had been chasing her.

Miyuki followed, she couldn't think of anything better...literally nothing at all? Well worse and worse

Jim stopped long enough to lock the shed door, securing it with a padlock, and followed off behind the girls to make sure they didn't deviate or wander on the way to the office. "Hmm... I will proably drop these in the lost and found," Jim muttered to himself in reference to the clothes.

"Rayas! The office is to the right! And don't run in the halls!" Jim barked. Since there was the madatory address takign place, there weren't any students in the halls (well, one guy heading to the restroom). The trip was pretty much uneventful apart from the lost and found drop off, and Jim sat them down in the office's waiting area before heading in to speak with her himself.

Lisa slowed down, though took large strides, never really able to just talk in the halls. //fun fact: that's me. Never could just walk unless the class was just in the next room...

Miyuki walked quickly, her statue made it harder for her to keep up sometimes. "You had to say seduced.", Miyuki said quietly to Lisa, "I was trying to be vague about it all.".

"I hate being put on the spot," Lisa hissed.

"I do too, but now we've confessed to something we didn't do, we could get expelled for this.", Miyuki said to Lisa.

Lisa grunted something non commital and rubbed her arms, wondering what was happening with Noah. A rouge thought crossed her mind. If his clothes, ALL of his clothes at that had come off, did that mean that when he changed back he'd be...? Her eyes widened as her train of thought pulled into its station. She soon blushed deeply.

//oh, with your spot, you would notice that his boxers had cats on them.

//... REALLY? REALLY!? XD

//what did you expect? I'm still looking for some ^^

//Cat paw prints at best... and even then, that'd be a gag gift from his parental units or birthday gift.

The doors to the office opened and Jim held it open. "Principal Newell will see you know."

[insert walking in post]

Miyuki walked in slowly. She was only in the principal's office a few times, mostly for pranks she or people she knew pulled, nothing this serious.

It was a typical principal office. A bookshelf with small trinkets and packed with a variety of books was on the wall to the left, a fancy wooden filing cabinet to the far right corner. Closer to the door was a set up of upholstered chairs set around a small center table, the makings for tea on a stand beyond that. But the were heading for the desk, two common chairs were waiting, and the principal, Daphne Newell had on her serious face.

Lisa looked stright at the floor as she entered and as she sat down, she still kept her gaze locked on the floorboard, black hair falling over her face in a curtian in a pitiful effort to hide herself. She just wanted to shrink up into a ball and implode...

Miyuki looked equally dejected, though her hair was still combed back as usual. Her gaze was direct, but wary. If more of this alien stuff was true, anyone could be an alien parasite controlled slave. Lisa could have left the circumstances vague...instead she had to deal with this and possibly suspension.

"Well girls, can you please explain to me what you were doing in the shed this morning?"

"Ummm...we were just having fun.", Miyuki said finally.

"Oh? And what sort of fun where you having, Miss Nanewa-Lin?" Newell actually managed to pronounce it perfectly.

Lisa pulled her shoulders and knees close together, hoping to appear small and weak.

"What did Mr. Morales tell you", Miyuki said to Newell.

"Answer the question Miss Nanewa-Lin."

"Yes we seduced a local boy, yes we got him to follow us into the shed, no we did not have sex with him.", Miyuki said, she wasn't comfortable lying about something of this nature, but she couldn't exactly explain how Noah turned into a cat and then they were interrupted.

"It was perfectly consensual though..." Lisa said frombehind her curtian of hair. "He said he wanted to..."

"I see..." Newell said. "And who might this young man be?"

"Noah, Ma'am", Miyuki said, with luck they might be able to sort this whole thing out.

"Noah Edwards?"

Lisa nodded slowly.

Noah-----

He really wanted to scream in frustration at that story. Or pull his hair out. He didn't have the right vocals or hands to do either one, so he settled for growling quietly. He quickly tried to come up with a plan. Sneak out, as soon as Jim left and sneak into the assembly and hope Lisa and Yuki didn't get themselves into too much trouble. Sure, he would have to take care not to be seen, pets not being allowed on the grounds (and he was a cat at the moment), but still...

Jim ruined that. Noah could here him mutter something about keeping and people and cat in. He scrambled over to the door and, after a while trying to figure out how to coordinate the quadruped body before realizing he had to let it lead, he climbed the door to peak out the small window. No one around.

Noah slipped down the door and bounced on his feline rump, letting out a feline whine. Before he realized it, he was licking the wounded area. He stopped mid likc. Okay... he really need to figure out how to keep a handle on that. Actually... he should probably morph back...

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It took him a while. It freaked him out when he realized he didn't know what to do, and even when he figured to try and reverse what he did, he could keep a mental image locked. Eventually, it did start up, bones shifting in ways that seriously should be painful. Panting, he finally got himself back in human form. Two problems though. He was naked... and Jim took his clothes... perfect... At least he had hands again.

He searched around. Maybe they had some spare gym clothes in here somewhere... Holy Hannah... his hand was better... like totally healed... He spent a while more working that one out. It had to have been the morphing. That was so cool. But back to the clothes. He eventually gave up. Because he was locked in anyway. It took him a while, and lots of thinking, but... He picked up one of the baseball bats and hefted it experimentally. Well... it was either this or stay stuck... He swung it and whacked the window, shattering it. He swung a few more time to completely clean it of glass. Naked vandal... wonderful.

He dropped it and sighed, then tried the morphing thing again. It worked better this time, and soon he was crawling out the broken window as a cat. Okay... what now? [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4243727/</u>]1d20=14[/url]

Noah headed off to the lost and found station. He needed clothes, and there would at least be someone's gym stuff around... He got a little lost, being cat sized really threw his sense of direction, but he eventually got there. He jumped up to the table and was surprised when his own clothes were there.

He was getting dressed when Jim showed up. It wasn't pretty.

Miyuki Fails at Improv Comedy

::Let's just cut a long back and forth sort... All three have a weeks suspension. And notes to parents. (Noah tried to say it was method acting but...)::

Miyuki tried arguing that she and Noah were doing method acting but the school wouldn't buy it. She was less worried about her family. Her cousins had crazier school adventures.

Anyway... they also got a one on three personal lecture on the assembly they missed. The police where concerned about vandals in the park and there was temporary curfew in place that all youth were to be out before seven. Oh, and they found a telescope. No clue whose it is. So it's down at the station. Likely to be sold.

In other news, Best Buy Geek Squad, I mean Alexander Noel was assigned to supply them with notes and assignments.

//Reaction check!

[Noah]

Grounded. Minor though. Not that father bought the method acting story, but he did believe that nothing intimate actually happened and it was a dare sorta thing. Still; grounded for stupidity.

[Miyuki]

MIyuki was able to explain to her family that it was a high school prank that got out of hand and then turned into a horrible misunderstanding. She blamed herself for most of it. She was grounded as usual when pranks got out of hand.

[Lisa]

Grounded a well due to acting as the intigtor and on public grounds to boot. Also without a formal introduction. As a side note: Parental units do eventually expect to meet him properly. Noah stands by the dare story

Study Session [probably the next day the latest]

Lisa arrived at noah's place and rang the doorbell, wondering if she really was in the right place. Usually when she went over to her friends, they were waiting outside, and it was what she did so...

Miyuki had arrived at Noah's place later, running up to where Lisa was waiting for him. She worried they were no longer friends due to what she and Lisa did that day at school. Also of note

was that her homework for the day she was sent home was mostly done. There were just a couple science questions she figured she could ask Lisa. "Hey Lisa, no hard feelings right?", she said.

"Nah," Lisa replied. "It was mostly my fault anyways. Still, I don't think there was a way we could have gotten out of that."

"I panicked, that was the best fake story I could come up with at the time.", Miyuki said, "Did you get to try out that morphing thing yet?"

"Haven't had the time. I've been grounded." Lisa said.

"Ah yeah...You think Noah holds a grudge?", she asked ringing the doorbell as well [then].

"Yes mom... leaving now mom..." Noah said into his phone as he headed for the door. "I know that too... at the door... I don't know! I haven't opened it yet!... No, I wasn't yelling... That's my normal volume!... that wasn't yelling either!"

Noah opened the door and stepped out, shutting it behind him.

"Considering we said these things without getting any input from him? Probbaly." Lisa admitted.

"Hello, Noahcat.", Miyuki said softly when she saw Noah step out.

Noah put a finger on his lips and made shooing motions at them. "Mom, can I go now?... Yes... Yes... yes...? No, they aren't... you know Yuki. It was just a stupid dare... we went over this..."

Lisa waved hi to Noah and considered giving Yuki a smack. Noah was on the phone and jsut in case the person heard that 'Noahcat' remark. Instead, she tugged Yuki away until he was done with the call.

Yuki was thinking about the clothing problem...seems like the morpher's clothes would not be incorporated in the morphs leading to a situation where they are naked when unmorphing. Miyuki was going over different solutions to that problem...perhaps skintight clothes, perhaps catsuits, but even those would only really work for her and Lisa. Noah wouldn't be caught in public with such things. She'd also have to sew them for the girls. If possible this would allow them to keep clothes on after morphing She wondered what they could do. But she wasn't even sure if the catsuit idea would work.

"Okay mom... love you too... what? NO! Jeeze! Bye!" Noah looked seriously embarrassed by that last comment, whatever it was, and quickly ended the call.

Miyuki waited for Noah to finish whatever before attempting to greet him again. "Um...hey Noahcat", she said. It was a variant on his nickname even before he morphed.

"Hello," Lisa said waving nervously.

"Of all this things you could have said..." Noah scowled.

"We were under pressure!" Lisa countered.

"I said it before, I panicked.", Miyuki said to him.

"Worse! Possible! Answer!" Noah said, running his hand over his head. "And you're suppose to be in the drama club!"

"I thought the stray cat routine would be enough to get him off our trail.", Miyuki said.

"Then what would YOU have said, smartass?"

"That got me locked in!" Noah complained. "I had to break the window!"

"No, the stupid story is what got you locked in, but whatever...as if I'm not in enough trouble as it is.", Miyuki said.

"That's because you always get caught! I've never gotten suspended before. Now I've gotten one on Moral Conduct..." Noah muttered.

"I'm not hearing what your story would have been..." Lisa mumbled.

"Drama Club! Practicing for a male roll! That's why you had the clothes!" Noah said, throwing up one of his arms. "We do all sorts of crazy customes in the drama club."

"Which I wouldn't know because i'm not IN the drama club."

"Then tell him you were hiding something's clothes from them. Or setting up a scavenger hunt," Noah complained, walking away from his porch and head back out to the curb.

"Well next time you turn yourself into a cat and lose your mind to it, I'll let you do the talking." Lisa shrugged.

"Jeeze... was afraid I'd be stuck in a box in the staff room all day..." Noah groaned. "Talk about boring..."

Lisa sighed. "So pretty much a fail day all around. Anyways, shall we get to what we're supposed to be doing here? IE studying?"

"Who's house are we going to anyway.", Miyuki asked.

"Last I heard, we were going to be studying here..." Lisa admitted.

"About that... thanks to your story, Mom doesn't want me having girls over here without supervision. Thanks for that," he said blandly. "And I thought we were supposed to meet Geek Squad?"

"Geek Squad?", she asked, "And again sorry about that."

"You know. The guy that gets all the high scores in computers? Zander," Noah elaborated. "Think his last name is Noel. The guy the school set up to give us work?"

"Ah yes, Geek Dude. And again I panicked, sorry about that...Hmm...should we let him know?", she asked Noah.

Noah stumbled a bit and glared at her, then looked away. "How should I know?" Noah muttered. So he could turn into a cat. So what? "I don't even know what Elf intended when he made us touch this box."

"It's like the plot of every play, the reluctant heroes are given a gift and told to fight evil...and so on and so forth, we got three plucky youngsters given superpowers...it's like an anime in a way.", Miyuki said. "And turning into a cat already sounds good."

"Fight evil? I couldn't even get out of a shed! And you saw them!" Noah responded, shoulders stiffening with impotent anger and frustration as he remembered the night. "The Hork-bajor things would out class wolverine, and taxxons look like some DnD monster!"

"In that case, then we'd need some bigger artilliery." Lisa said simply, already trying to think of a few things that she'd need to try out sometime if it was possible.

"That's why we don't deal with that yet...the story starts with the protagonists learning about thier powers, learning about teamwork and then in time fighting the monsters...I'd say we postpone the monsters for as long as possible.", Miyuki said, "My Auntie works in a nearby wildlife refuge...we could go there on the weekend."

Noah stopped in his tracks. "You want to fight them? Fight THEM? We don't even know who, what, or where they are! And, most importantly: Why!"

"There's gotta be some kind of tell," Lisa said, trying to reason things out. "Everything has a weakness. period. Nothing is invincible, nothing is foolproof, nothing is perfect.

"Of course I don't want to fight them, but if nothing else we might as well figure out what the heck that cube did to us.", she said to him. "I guess I'm just jealous that you can turn into a cat...", Miyuki finally said.

"Mmmm... Fine... I'll admit, that was pretty cool..." Noah grinned. "Freaky, weird as hell, but cool."

"I know...and then getting petted...was it really as great as the mindlink made it out to be?", Miyuki asked, "Maybe you could bring your cats and I can try it."

"I dunno how to explain it... but all I know is that I really understand why Apollo gets so into it." Noah closed his eyes and stretched slightly, just remembering how it felt. "Nothing like getting petted as a kitty."

"Sounds wonderful, I'd like to try it sometime.", Miyuki said to Noah. "Being a kitten sometime...I mean...the costumes just aren't the same are they."

"I thought you had a thing for rabbits though," Noah pointed out.

"You mean the bunnysuit...they are so cute.", she asked, "Maybe I can check the pet stores or the refuge." Just thinking about it almost made her forget she was suspended for a week.

"After what you got me into, I am not commenting on that suit," Noah said, sobered some.

"Aww well, it's a fun suit, if tight...still this morphing intrigues me that's all.", Miyuki said.

"It's seriously creepy... the worse part is that it looks as feels like it should hurt, but it doesn't. I mean... you can feel everything moving around, but you can't really..." Noah didn't know how to explain it. "You just have to try it..."

"Preferably a rabbit.", Miyuki said to him as they walked.

"Um... you have to control it too... it's like you're... riding in the animal as much as you become it... That's what happened when I tried first," Noah warned.

"Can't we worry about that when I find my first animal?", she said to Noah.

"If we're suggesting animals, I'd love a husky. Or sheperd."

"I'm giving you warnings!" Noah said. "So you know what to expect and don't freak out half way... Jeeze... I thought I'd be stuck like that..."

"Alright...so it's instincts will try and take over or is it more like a nagging nanny?", Miyuki asked.

"Um... somewhere in between?" Noah said with a hesitant shrug. "It just hits you at first and every now and again..."

"I see, so an occasional voice in my head. I hope I can deal with it. "

"I won't call it voice..." Noah said vaguely. It was like a presence... a feeling... a impulse... "Bah... you just have to try it." "Of course...should we go try it out, or just go study now?", Miyuki said.

Noah glanced at his watch. "I guess we can stop by the pet store or something..."

"Probbaly the best," Lisa said. "Some good things for basic ones. But in all seriousness, we DO need to study for classes eventually. Yes, yes, I know, i'm a wet blanket, but we can't do much if we keep getting grounded or punished for poor grades."

"Not for long, just so I can get a few things.", she said to Noah. First things first was a rabbit...cute little bunny.

Noah muttered, but the detour wasn't too bad.

[b]At the Pet Store.[/b]

Miyuki rushed to ask the clerk where the rabbits were, "Excuse me where do you keep the bunnies?" She was excited, yes she tried having a pet before but she had to give that one away to her cousin. But now she could become it, or rather had a chance to.

"Oh, we have some lop rabbits in the pens just down the aisle," the clerk informed her.

Lisa meanwhile searched for any puppies, searching among them for a cute one... Which didn't help narrow it down since they were all cute and she wanted to take more then a few home with her. Finally, she settled on a siberian husky puppy andreached for him. Or her. She couldn't tell from the angle she was at. "Hey there..." Lisa said sweetly. "You're a good boy..." Puppy:http://cdn-7.dooziedog.com/dog_breeds/siberian_husky/images/full/Siberian-Husky-Puppy-9.jpg

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Miyuki walked down the aisle passing by a number of puppies and kittens. Considering which ones would be good. She saw a few bunnies, and picked out a cute little white bunny and petted it. She felt some sort of spark flow into her when she did.

//she does have to focus on it. And roll a d20

Secret GM Rolls:

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Miyuki didn't know if it worked but spotted a small black rabbit nearby that looked really cute. She petted it and focused this time.

Miyuki Morph Acquisition Check

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Miyuki Bunny: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:OtisHavana.jpg

She felt some sort of connection to this rabbit and figured if she bought the little bunny she would name it Ashe. The bunny was sleeping now as Miyuki continued stroking it's fur. She cooed softly before moving on to the rest of the store.

Noah left the girls to play with bunnies and puppies. He teased the tanks of fish, glared at the red eyed rats and mouthed *[i]I can eat you[/i]* at them. Creepy creatures. He stopped at a cage for a couple parakeets, mouthed the same thing, then decided to go pet the cats.

Lisa smiled as the puppy half closed his or her eyes as she petted the puppy. "Awwww yeah... you're so cute.

Noah muttered, but picked up a few cans of the good stuff Apollo and Athena liked. Might as well get something from this trip. "Are you two finished?"

"All I found is a rabbit so far.", Miyuki said to Noah, "Bye little fellow.", she whispered back to the black bunny.

Lisa kept petting the puppy, wanting to take him home with her. Finally, she pulled herself away, giving him a boop on the nose and went to ask how much the puppy would be. When she heard the price [685+tax], Lisa frowned. "Awww... He's really beautiful. Or she..." She thought about that, and wondered if she could convince her parents to get her one.

Noah went to cash his purchases, then, on an impulse, bought a mouse. Only cost three dollars. He got a fancy little plastic cage for the mouse. Then he sighed and bought two more. He had a really odd idea, but didn't say anything about it. "Come on, we are already late as it is..."

"All right," Lisa said, wondering what she could do. She wanted to adopt that puppy so badly. "I suppose we'd better get going."

"Geek Dude will be waiting...I'm still not sure if we should tell him.", she said to Lisa.

"Geek Squad," Noah called back. "He already doesn't like that nickname."

"Tell him nothing unless he directly askes about it." Lisa said.

"Do me a favour," Noah said bland. "Don't talk."

"Hey, it was that one time...", Miyuki said.

"Which got us suspended..." Noah said, not granting any mercy. "All of us... I wasn't even there... mostly... you know what I mean..."

"Again, don't talk about that unless he specifically askes and if he does deny everything." Lisa suggested.

"No advise from you either," Noah decreed, pointing at Lisa. [size=1]Probably shouldn't have brought it...[/size] [notice: 10]

"Fine...where is his house anyway?", Miyuki asked. Miyuki doesn't hear jack: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4244731/</u>]1d20+3=7[/url]

"Brought what now?" Lisa asked. Notice: <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4244732/</u> nat 20

"Uh... the box," Noah said.

"You have the tesseract here?", Miyuki whispered, "Why?"

"My sentiments exactly... I mean the best thing would just be to burry it deep near a tree or something." Lisa said.

"Elf gave it to me before dying," Noah said in a rough tone. "I'm just going to drop it somewhere. I had it hidden in my room, but thanks to you two, dad was search it."

Lisa let the topic drop. "Fair enough." She kept pace with her friends easily as Noah lead the way.

[b]Geek Squad, head office[/b]

Noah fiddled with the doorbell, trying to get it to play a rhythm, but it wouldn't coperate much, being too laggy.

Miyuki whistled along with the tune that Noah was trying to play on the doorbell.

"What are you doing ...?" Lisa asked curiously.

"Bored," Noah shrugged.

Lisa shrugged. "Maybe he's not home?"

"Try again...", Miyuki suggested.

"Maybe the bell isn't working..." Noah mused. He thoughtfully waggled his fingers. "Let's try something simple..." *bam-bababambam-bambam* He rapped out a quick pattern on the door. "Yo! Geek Squak! Our school assigned watch man!"

"So subtle," Lisa said.

"It's my middle name," Noah smirked.

"I thought it was Evan." Lisa deadpanned.

"Is it? And where is Geek Dude today?", Miyuki asked.

"You can have more than one middle name," Noah grinned.

"And mine's 'unimpressed.' Along with Jenna." Lisa said. "You know... we could break in..." She mumbled. "No one would suspect the cat."

"But the cat, the bunny and the puppy would be suspicious...why can't we just wait for him.", she said to her.

"I never said anything about the puppy and bunny." Lisa cat smiled.

"Wait... what?" Noah blinked.

Lisa giggled. "You heard me."

"You want to break into this place?" Noah asked, incredulous. Then he grinned. "Sure, why not? Not sure if a cat can fit in though..."

"Wait we're seriously breaking in just after we got suspended??", Miyuki said.

"You already set me on a path to delinquency," Noah said, sounding like the tortured soul. "You should be proud!"

Lisa smiled then let out an evil, diobolical, and quite loud laugh. "GOOOOOD!" She added, trying to mimic The Emperor. "Let the dark side floooooow through you! Fill your ssooooooooooooooouuuuuuullllll--" Lisa couldn't tke it anymore and broke down laughing. "That's just way too over the top."

"Okay..." Noah said looking around the front of the building, ignoring Lisa for the most part. "I don't think a cat can get in..." His thoughts trailed and moved to the the mice he just bought. "Totally not what I had in mind for these..."

"Wait, you're not serious?", Miyuki said, "Couldn't we just wait for him?"

"We've already been waiting... we'll just tell him that the door was open," Noah said, opening the little carrying case and fishing about for the dark mouse.

"So morph mice?", Miyuki said starting to wonder if this was such a good plan. "And wouldn't your clothes remain in the yard?"

"We can hide them." Lisa suggested, looking for a porch to stash them under.

"Or you could just do me a favour and carry them inside for me..." Noah said, rolling his eyes.

"Or we can do that." Lisa shrugged.

"See? This is why you don't come up with the plans..." Noah said.

"And what would he say about a naked boy in his house?", Miyuki wondered.

"He can cold cock him and say he was immagining things when he wakes up? Either that or circumstantes arose and ensued." Lisa added.

"Aside from your horrible choice of words," Noah said, acquiring the mouse somewhat hesitantly. "I can just use a room or something..." [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4244789/]1d20=11[/url]

"Would a bunny be able to sneak in?", Miyuki asked.

"I'm only doing mouse because a cat wouldn't be able to sneak it. Bunnies are worse at stuff like this than cats," Noah said. First cat... now mouse... he was going the wrong way on the food chain.

"Maybe i can try my feminine puppy charmes." Lisa offered. "I mean if you don't want to."

"At least bunnies are cute...hmm...why do you say they are worse at stuff?", Miyuki asked.

"Fools and gold..." Noah muttered under his breath. "Just cover me, okay?"

"What...?" Lisa asked then shrugged. "Sure thing. And try not to go nuts this time."

"I suppose...and okay.", Miyuki said.

"Yeah, yeah..." Noah said. Noah crouched and motioned for the two girls to huddle up a but so he had some cover. He tried focusing on the mouse. It took a little while, but that tingle started up again. This time, it started with ears, tail and feet. fingers and toes lengthening, then shrinking, without his arms scaling... A naked tail getting caught in his pants as it grew, about four feet, that one actually scaled with his body, unlike his paws. Ears went rodent, and teeth swelled. Only about half way through did shriking really kicked in. http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/search/1320278/ 18, second [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4244803/]Instict Check: 16[/url]

"Hey Noah... you with us?" Lisa asked, towering over the Noahmouse.

<Give me a hand getting out of these clothes will you...> Noah complained, caught under his shirt. He couldn't tell which way was out and unlike a cat, a mouse was seriously skittish. <Mouse only wants to run...>

"Right..." Lisa said and shrugged. "Lemmie know what peice you're in when i start shifting here..." She said, first sliding the shirt around.

"Sure.", Miyuki gathered up his clothes being careful not to touch the piece he was in.

<I see light! Awesome!> a little dark grey mouse poked it's nose out and looked up at Lisa. <Hi.>

"Hiya...I can't wait to try out this morphing for myself.", Miyuki said to Noah.

<I really hope I can still go cat after this...> Noah muttered mentally. <Oh... watch my clothes, I'll need them. And watch my bag. The box is in it.> Mouse really didn't want to be out in the open. Thats where predators were. Noah pushed past that and scurried into the little flower patch.

"I got it." Lisa said, taking the bag and holding it, suppressing a giggle at his movements.

<That window is open, behind the screen, right?> Noah asked.

"I think so...", Miyuki said to no one in particular.

It took his mouse body a while, but he managed to get up to the mesh. He tested his new rodent teeth on it, gnawing a small hole in it. <Oh... you two can acquire the brown mice. I think they are girls,> Noah said as he chewed his way in.

Miyuki fetched one of the mice out of their small cage. She focused, this should be interesting. She hoped this would work.

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Lisa shrugged. "Why not?" She asked and poked one of the mice, hoping it wouldn't chomp down on her finger. "Don't think I won't squish you if you bite me..." Aquire: <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4245992/</u> 3

It squeaked and bit her.

"Ow! You little...! Come here!" She said, and reached for it, trying to get a good hold on the mouse when she didn't think that the touch worked.

It squealed again and did it's best to avoid her.

Lisa narrowed her eyes as she tried to get the squirmy thing. "dammit get over here!" This was getting embarrassing.

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The mouse let out a squeak of defiance and clamoured up Lisa's arm.

"You alright back there?", Miyuki asked while she was absorbing the mouse's essense.

"Ack!" Lisa yelped as it went up her arm. "Get it! Keep it still!" She said, trying to dislodge it from her clothing. "Little help here!?" she barked. Grapple 2? : <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4245999/</u> 5...

With a squeak, the mouse was hurled off, flying some ten, fifteen feet away. It was momentarily stunned, but bolted off to freedom. [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4245998/]1d20+12=14[/url]

"Aww, Lisa, now you might have hurt the little guy, she was probably just scared.", Miyuki said to Lisa.

Lisa huffed and looked at it scurry away. "I tried it the easy way, it didn't wanna cooperate." She said and nursed her finger.

"I don't know, but mice get scared easily, you probably just spooked it like I said, ah well, the one I have here is behaving nicely.", Miyuki said stroking it.

"And I'll have to get Noah a replacement..." Lisa grumbled and looked to it, reaching out to touch it. "It's not working..." She grumbled. "I should really complain to the manufacturer of those things..." She was starting to think of touching the box again. Aquire: <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246001/</u> OH COME ON //looked to what? Ah, I think. //Anyway, Zander would arrive first. So you now have a mouse in your hand, and proably an open carrier, along with Noah's clothes when he turns up...

She did feel something but she wouldn't be sure if it worked till later.

<Aha!> Noah said, squeezing through the hole he chewed. He scrabbled through the window, then fell to the ground with a rodent squeak. <Ow! Stupid gravity...> he looked around the room curiously. Weak rodent eyes didn't see much.

"You okay?", Miyuki asked.

Noah wasn't experienced with anybody but his own, so he didn't know how to work the senses well. The room seemed clear so... <Okay... morphing back,> he thought beamed back to the girls. It was weird how that worked. Just think hard enough.

"Alright then...", Miyuki thought back, wondering if Noah would hear it.

It was around this time that someone who looks like he just got back from school approached the house. He was wearing semi-formal clothing and has discreet glasses, you know, the ones with a

very thin frame. Besides what could be in his backpack, he was holding a folder in his right hand.

Since this person, whom the group should know as Alexander Noel, has no idea what was happening in the house, he merely smiled that they showed up, but as he got closer, he noticed Lisa with a backpack in her hands with boys clothing in their hands, "Hello everyone, it seems that I was assigned to take care of this little study group and... why are you two holding clothes? ...Also, I was told that Noah was going to be here as well, any idea where he is?" So two questions were asked, although he was more curious about the clothing they were holding

"At the moment no.", Miyuki began, "Um...I think he may be here soon, this is just an extra change of clothes for him."

Alex looks at them, he didn't feel like making a big deal about it (luckily for them), but there's just one problem with what they said, "Can't say I understand why you're bringing clothes for him, but... you two kept those in your backpack or something, right? People are bound to say something about a couple of girls carrying boys clothing."

"Don't remind me please.", Miyuki said blushing.

Mice were really blind though... it seemed that humans really did luck out on the eyesight side of things. He focused on his good old human shape. It was easy to loose track of time, and this was just his second time demorphing, so he really didn't have the braincells to spare on those things. He was about half way through, some sort of rat, well, mouse man, about the size of a dog when the **alarm** went off.

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4245694/]</u>1d20=12[/url]

Alex was about to ask, but alas, the freaking unholy alarm went off in his house, "...Are you kidding me?" He groans before he starts to dig into his backpack.

(Crap!) is what Noah wanted, and would have said. But it seemed he was past the point of no return for that thought talking think to work, and his body was still not quick human enough to work it. So what came out was more a squealing grating thing that sounded like a drunk parrot.

Noah fumbled, trying to get moving, but midmorph locomotion was erratic at best with bones shifting and mass swelling.

He takes something out of it before putting it back on and he examines it briefly before walking towards the door, it was a taser, "Hopefully this jackass didn't break anything..." With that statement out of the way, he takes out his keys and unlocks the door before walking in with the taser ready after turning on a laser sight that was attached to it. //yes, I had the EP

What lay before him was a creature about the size of a preteen, with a shrinking mouse tail, fading fur and a serious creepy face somewhere on the human side of half mouse with solid black eyes that were wide with shock. So, basically, naked mouse man. Have fun.

Needless to say, he stared at that thing with the taser aimed right at it, "...what the fuck is this thing??"

Ready action: If Noah moves at all, he's tased.

notice check: <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246012/</u> failure by 1 point, yay. Mouse Creature looks human.

Miyuki entered the house to see Geek dude aiming his taser at the mouse creature. "Both of you chill out, we can handle this without anyone getting hurt...Noah, don't move, Alex!, don't shoot. We can work this out."

The magnitude, or enormity was a good word to use as well, of the stupidity of this idea came crashing down on him. It was right up there with 'Seducing a Boy for his Clothes'. Maybe it was an adrenaline thing. Either way, he tried to scramble way. Cause that's really what you did when you were in someone's house, with the person pointing a weapon at you and you were naked again (you try being in that situation and do something else.)

Alex was about to process what she said, but then the freak of nature rat thing moved. Needless to say he fired the taser in panic.

http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246340/ Attack roll 19...good luck. //taser brand taser? With the darts and wires?

"Noooo...", Miyuki called out, but stopped. "It's okay...it's okay...I can explain...", she said finally.

Two pricks followed a jolt that send a spasm through his body and caused his limbs to lock up and he collapsed again. Hell... what was that? At least the morphing didn't seem to stop, and fur and tail still melted away leaving dark human skins, limbs took on proper orientation and presentation as he lay on his stomach.

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246392/</u>]Stun Check (1d20=12)[/url] stunned [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246394/</u>]Morph Check (1d20+2=16)[/url] Morph continues even stunned

Alex is known for not freaking out, buuut considering what was happening in front of him, it'd be strange for him to NOT freak out, "What... the..... fuck, Noah?? Wait, what?!" He looked at the now normal (and naked) Noah, then at Miyuki who seems to know what happened, then Noah again, "Just... WHAT?" So his brain is having a hard time processing this, but at least theres no more electricity being pumped into Noah now. Someone should probably try to get him to calm down and turn off that alarm...

//noah was a wererat this whole time. Now he has to kill you to preserve his secret.

Noah groaned and shifted on the ground in a little squirm before he lifted himself slightly off the ground, using his forearms as leaverage. Frag that hurt. And the slight painful tugging in his back told him that something was still stuck in his flesh. He blinked slowly and groaned again. "What just hit me?"

Lisa meanwhile gave up and was about to dig the cube out of Noah's backpack when she heard the alarm go off. Abandoning the mice and clothes, She rushed forward and tried to see just what the hell was going on.

Notice: <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246802/</u> 11 Zander with a taser, Naked Noah, Taser pins in his back... tiles?

Lisa bit the inide of her lip though went for the entrence to the house again. With the tazer in Noah, he couldn't shoot her... At least, that's what he hoped. She tried the door, trying to open it, if she needed to, she could probbaly force it open.

//Considering what I've read and what Alex did, I think the front door is open. //He did rush in, tasers ready. Set to stun, Mr. Spock.

Miyuki looked away when Noah morphed back.

After a long moment trying to understand wtf just happened, Alex nearly drops the taser on the ground and moves for the security panel to turn off the alerm.

"What the hell is going on!?" Lisa yelped as she entered.

Alex glances at Lisa, "I don't know! First there was a freak of nature rat/human/creature thing in my house, then it changed into Noah!" With that panicked and certainly insanity filled reply out of the way, he gathers whatever focus he has left to examine the security panel and punch in the code required to disable the alarm.

"You tased me, bro! That fricking hurt!" Noah protested. He reached back and gingerly plucked the two barbed prongs out with painful hisses.

[i]Well it serves you right for not opening the bloody door when we were all camping out in front of it...[/i] Lisa thought. "Everyone just calm down and let's forget you saw anything, all right?"

//he did just arrive...

//plus there was motion trackers in the house that he tripped. merely breaking into the house was a bad idea.

//To quote the newspeople defending justin beiber; "he's just a kid"

Alex looks at Noah again once the alarm died down and then at Lisa, who told him to forget about that rat thing. To put it lightly, the part of his brain that tells him what is supposed to be real and what is supposed to be fantasy is hurting a LOT now, "...Unless men in black suits show up with a memory eraser thingy, I don't think I'll be forgetting that anytime soon..." He gives himself a moment to take deep breaths, trying to wrap his head around this, "Why... why was Noah a rat thing?"

Lisa looked to Noah, then to Miyuki, wondering what to do. If the yeerks wanted the cube for some reason, dispite how it seemed to be broken for her, they would know the effect when they saw it, right? Then again he could just be pretending... Still, they DID outnumber him 3 to one.

Noah shuffled around the closest corner then stuck his hand out. "Clothes!"

Miyuki hands Noah his clothes. [lisa tossed them]

"You deal with him." Lisa said and shrugged, going out to get the clothes again. Comming back, she tossed them at Noah and kept her gaze on Alex next as though he was a Weeping Angel. Dex: <u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246849/</u> 10 [Alexander Dex Intercept (2) Fail]

Noah managed to snag the bundle. Boxers, pants and shirt. Excllent. Well, not excellent. First ever attempt at breaking in and he get's caught. Which his pants down, literally. He remedied that as quickly as he could, yanking pants and boxers up at once then shrugging into his shirt. (He didn't notice that it was inside out, but really, that was the last think on his mind.) This was the second time he'd been caught pretty much naked...

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4246856/</u>]Catch=14[/url]

Lisa kept her gaze on Alex, making sure he didn't try anything and fully ready to pounce on him and keep him down if he tried. "I take it you have questions, huh?" She asked finally.

[i]Like why someone couldn't give a warning,[/i] Noah complained to himself as he dressed.

"To put it lightly? Yes..." Alex replied to the best of his ability to not snap at them. Really, he wasn't expecting anything like this at all.

"With w-what?" Lisa asked, trying to hide the panic from her voice. Ithelped that there were three of them to his one, but still... One shot wouldbe all he needed to take out one before the other two attacked.

Alex sighs as he looks at Noah for a second, "Well, Noah was a freak of nature wererat thing, hence why I panicked and tased him... So, feel free to explain WHY Noah wasn't human, nor wearing clothes."

"Not a wererat!" Noah called before he sulked out from around the corner, hands in pocked and looking down on the floor.

Lisa thought for a moment, wondering how much she should tell Alex. "Think we should?" She finally asked Noah.

"Close the door? Yes," Noah said.

"Not that... About the other thing," Lisa said, though closed the door anyways.

"I think he deserves to know about that...but not that..", Miyuki said.

Noah though about it. He thought about it a lot. But really, he didn't see any other way to explain things. He opened his mouth after a few long seconds. "Can you keep a secret?" he asked, buying himself a few more moments.

Now it was Alex's turn to think about it for a good long moment, but after awhile he shrugs, "There's no way anyone is going to believe me anyways..."

Huh... he could have just pointed that out... But Noah flashed back to Ms Graceland and who knows who else laughing in the park. If Zander mentioned it to the wrong person... they would be dead. Really, really dead. Like Elf. He swallow nervously and look Zander in the eyes. "Geek Squad, this is really, honestly life and death. Can you keep a secret?"

Alex looks at Noah and soon he closes his eyes with a sigh, thinking it over some more. He opens his eyes after a while, "This went a bit further then 'study group', don't you think? ...Yes, I'll keep this a secret."

"Okay..." Noah wasn't sure where to start. But... He did mess up with this stupid idea... "You heard about the park, right?"

[Info Dump: The morning assembly the day before talked about vandalism in the park, as well as the meteor shower. And the fact that the police want the people that vandalized the park.]

Alex nods, "Yeah, the assembly spoke about it, why?"

"We were there," Noah said quietly.

Alex tilts his head. It would be easy to ask if they were the ones who did it, but the pure fact Noah pulled a wererat or whatever it was suggests that there's far more to this then that, "Really? What happened?"

Noah closed his eyes for a moment. Here was the unbelievable part... "It was aliens."

"The big blue one was on the run from these other aliens...you continue Noah...you're the one who saw it.", Miyuki said.

"His name was Elfangor... Prince Elfangor-Sirinial-Shamtul," the full name just came into Noah's head. Which... was creepy since he hadn't been able to recall it before.

"I thought he was just elfie, he said something about an alien invasion and then gave us these powers...", Miyuki siad to him.

"I take it you want proof too?" Lisa added. "Well... Since it does look really gross, do you have a room with only one way in and out?"

"He already saw proof, and who's telling the story?" Noah frowned.

"I thought we all were telling the story.", MIyuki said.

"Considering we were all there..." Lisa shrugged.

Alex wasn't sure if he should say something or if he should just let them work their... interesting story out. Well, the latter means less work for his brain to do, so lets go with that.

"You curled in a ball," Noah said, pointing at Yuki, "You more or less did the same," he pointed at Yuki again, "And you are ignoring the most important part of it. Elf was a Prince. It's a War title. His ship, war ship, got shot down by the yeerks, who are pretty much mind controlling slugs, and one of them is in Ms. Graceland. Ten minutes after we met Elfie, they killed him. The Visser ate him."

Alex looks at Noah as he slowly processed what was being said, with the only reason why he wasn't calling BS being what he seen break into his house moments ago, "I would've outright said you're all crazy if I didn't see Noah as some kind of wererat thing..." one reality shattering thing tends to make the other ones more believable.

"Um... mouse, actually," Noah corrected. He didn't like rats.

Alex shakes his head, such a small detail didn't quite mean much when we're talking about something like an alien mind controlling slug race, "Alright, it's just... all of this seems like it's coming from some kind of sci-fi book or something. The names you use, mind controlling slugs... You as some kind of weremouse, yeah." He shakes his head. As much as he didn't quite want to believe whats being said, Noah WAS some kind of wererat, err... weremouse thing, how else does one explain that? ...Maybe he's secretly in the Matrix and someone is screwing with the programming or something.

"Well if you don't believe that we did this..." Lisa said, and closed her eyes. "Here goes nothing..." At which point... nothing happened. "Yeah, I can see that whole zero dollar cover charge and emotional trauma was worth it... Can I touch that cube again please? I think my power is defective."

Morph, puppy: http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4247172/ OH OF COURSE!!! *rages*

"Shut up!" Noah hissed at here. Seriously, she was like Miss 'Spill All the Secrets'. The slip up about him alone being able to shift was bad enough, now she was just handing out all their secrets like a stranger in a white van with candy.

Needless to say, Alex repeated what Lisa said, "Umm... Cube?"

"Don't ask." Lisa said.

Well well, whether Lisa likes it or not, Alex is asking, "Well, if this 'Cube' thing is something you got from the alien, then this crazy ass story would make a lot more sense, now wouldn't it? Mind showing since you apparently spilled the beans on it?" He wasn't quite sure how much he wanted to tempt fate, but at least seeing some kind of sci-fi looking item would confirm this story as true for him.

Noah was now glaring longswords, no, katanas, at Lisa, because daggers were too small and dull for that look. He was going to impose a moratorium on Lisa saying anything related to Elf and the yeerks. And now he wished he did bury the box somewhere.

"I do mind, but since someone can't hold her tongue..."

"Well you were telling him about all the other stuff..." Lisa grumbled, trying again to morph... and only had nothing happen at all. "Yep... This isn't working at all. I really think this thing is broken..."

http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4247201/ FINALLY! Fail, actually. 11-20 is pass.

"You might as well show the box now Noah.", Miyuki said to him.

"It's in my bag, which I don't have," Noah said, still glaring at Lisa. He had planned to at least let them keep some secrets... Like leading Zander to think Yuki and Lisa were only confidants. He was very suspicious about Ms. Graceland picking him to watch them. It was self sacrificing tactic incase Zander [*i*]was[/*i*] a controller. All wasted, of course, since some people couldn't keep quiet. Or give good stories.

Miyuki snatched the tesseract [blue box] from Noah's bag. "I thought you already hid this away.", Miyuki said to him in shock. "Anyway Alex, this is the blue box, don't touch it."

Noah cringed slightly. Now that would just make him want to touch the thing...

Before Alex could make a move, Miyuki handed the box to Noah. "Hide it this time please.", she said.

"You didn't have to say it was here," Noah scowled.

"He already knows too much.", Miyuki said to Noah.

"And telling him [i]*more*[/i] makes perfect sense. How ever did I miss that logic," Noah muttered.

"Your fault for not hiding your bag which was in plain view just after you told him it wasn't...if you're going to bluff don't wait till Lisa shows him your hand, kitten.", Miyuki said to him.

"It would be better if people just let me play the game without reading over my shoulder!" Noah scowled.

Alex laughed, "You know, you could've said you hid it if you really didn't want me to see that, I didn't know it was in the bag." You know, until Lisa said it.

"So what now?" Noah asked Zander. He still had no idea if he had a slug in his head or not.

Lisa just still kept watch, her gaze locked on Alex, blinking as little as possible. She once again turned her thoughts back to finding out weaknesses of these yeerks.

Alex recomposed himself and looks at the cube a little longer, feeling somewhat amazed such a thing is real. After awhile, he shakes his head with an amused expression, "I have no clue. Can't say I've dealt with stories about ACTUAL aliens, let alone seen actual alien tech before...

"Kandrona!" Lisa said, snapping her fingers. "I got it! Just to make sure he's not one of them, we gotta keep him under watch for three days!"

Alex blinked at what Lisa said, "Can-droh-na? ...wut?"

"Wait what? Lisa, what are you talking about?", Miyuki asked.

"I;ve been thinking, it's their food. An achilies heel. Nothing is perfect. They have a weakness. Keep a controller down for three days, and it'll starve them out!" Lisa said, sure of herself.

"But how do you know what their food source is?", Miyuki asked.

"I'm... Not sure..." Lisa admitted. "I was just thinking about it for a long time and... it just..." Lisa snapped. "Like that. Just now." She looked between Noah and Miyuki. "I can't be the only one that's thought of this stuff, right? about what weaknesses they have?"

"It makes sense that a parasite needs to feed on something, but how do you know the name of thier food source?", Miyuki said.

"You knew that too?" Noah asked reluctantly. Really, Lisa would never get hired to work with the government. She was a security risk on legs.

"Wait I thought we came here to study.", Miyuki said to them, "And when did anything or anyone mention this Kadrona?"

Alex, trying his best not to ask a question that is bound to be stupid since he was the only one left out of the loop agrees with Miyuki, "I thought so too... then Aliens and weremouses happened..."

"Well that plan was kicked in the teeth as soon as Alex caught sight of something he shouldn't have." Lisa shrugged.

"And you wonder why he's not trying to kill us right now.", Miyuki said to Lisa.

Alex smirked at Lisa, "None of which I would've known or seen if you didn't keep spilling the beans. I only asked to see it because you told me of it. And you said something about me being an alien? If I was, I would've used a commlink thing or whatever sci-fi gadget I should have and then we're all ded." He laughed a little at the insanity of this, but soon calms down, "In all seriousness though, what's next?"

"Thank you," Noah said to Zander. At least someone else recognized a security risk when they heard one.

"So what should we do now...if Alex wanted to use the information we let slip he would have already, so I don't think he's a controller...let's just study or something and get on with life."

"Show of hands, who can just study after this?" Noah asked, not raising his own hand.

Needless to say, the 'normal' one in the group did not raise his hand. He might attempt to do it, but after all of this? Yeesh, this isn't really something one forgets in a couple of minutes... or a week.

"Quite honestly, I want to practice morphing.", Miyuki said to Noah also not raising her hand, "I mean you already got a chance to...experience what it was like."

"Not my fault..." Noah muttered. She could have tried it last night if she wanted to.

MIyuki headed into the living room motioning for the others to follow. "Are we just going to stand here all day?", she asked.

"You know this isn't your house, right?" Noah asked blandly.

"So is there a couch embargo Alex?", Miyuki asked.

Alex, with no other good ideas, goes with Miyuki's idea, "I think a place to sit would be a good idea right now. The living room is over there, just let me grab my stuff. Lisa can watch me if she insists." He makes a geture to the walking security risk that doesn't trust him due to trying to protect his own house before picking his taser up, loading the darts back in and putting it back in its hoster. He then grabs the folder he left outside (and the mouse cage) and comes back inside moving towards the living room after closing and locking the front door. Today certainly got a hell of a lot stranger, didn't it?

"Actually... there's that issue with mor..." Noah trailed off, eyes focused on the cage. "Where's my mouse?"

"I had one and I think Lisa had the other one.", Miyuki said.

Alex shrugs, "No clue, I just seen this cage outside and figured it belonged to one of you guys."

"... Lisa; where's my mouse?" Noah asked after a moment.

"I'll buy you another one," Lisa said dismissivly, then sighed. "Right now..." She said and turned to leave before he could blow up on her.

"What did you do with my mouse? That was for Athena!" Noah protested.

"Complications with my broken power arose and ensued. I'm getting you a new one right now. Besides, i take it you don't want me here at the moment ANYWAYS, so I might as well make myself useful and go do something you can't complain about." Lisa said.

Noah muttered, but otherwise, he'd have to stop by again himself if he planned on giving both his cats one. "Fine..."

With that, Lisa left to head to the petstore, all the while mulling over things in her head.

Noah took the cage with the remaining two mice and poked at them. "Should probably let Yuki try on her own... Though... I still don't know why Ms Graceland would pick Zander..."

"I do wish to try it out when I get a chance...just keep my clothes handy...", Miyuki said to Noah.

"Come get us when you are done," Noah said, pushing Alex out of the room with him.

"But where do I find you after I'm done.", Miyuki said.

"Right in here. Duh," Noah called. Maybe he was over thinking things. Even is she was a controller, she was still acting like the vice principal and needed to do principal related things. Maybe it was that sharing thing he should be concerned about...

Miyuki left the living room and moved into the bathroom but did not lock the door, in fact leaving it slightly ajar so she could crawl out again. Her body shrank down as she sprouted lustrous black fur and her ears grew out. She closed her eyes and refused to look in the bathroom mirror. Soonenough she crawled out of the pile of her clothes. Also rolled a 1 and a 2 before the 11 jsut so you know

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4248641/]</u>Morphing: 1d20=11, Instinct: 1d20=4[/url]

A timid looking small tiny rabbit hopped out of the bathroom. Miyuki sniffed her way around the living room. Darting around, she continued sniffing the air and then seeing that there weren't any larger things in the room she curled up.

//it's because there's no one else in the room

Noah eventually got tired of waiting and went to see what was taking her so long. Only to find a pile of close in the bathroom. Being a virile 16 year old, he toed at them to peek at underwear (you know you would). Obsteinsibly to see if she went mouse and got stuck. "Okay... Yuki's gone..." He didn't even know what she was trying...

Miyubunny hopped back towards her "burrow" in the bathroom, but upon seeing a large foot, she shrieked and rushed, anyone could hear or catch a glimpse of her bound towards one of the couch chairs and squeeze underneath it.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_xCEMFERDdA

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I found the bunny section of youtube. Cat section is nicer, but it's good enough :p

Noah flinched and jumped. By the time he turned, she had scampered of, but that yipping yelping thing was seriously unexpected. As far as he knew... Zander didn't have pets. "Miyuki? "

The Miyubunny poked it's head out from under the couch, but darted back under the couch when she spotted the human.

"And she was making fun of me," Noah muttered, dropping to hands and knees so he could see under the furniture where she was hiding. "Man Zander... you need to sweep under these places."

Miyubunny was staring Noah in the face. And darted back to the wall. She didn't want to get eaten after all.

"Great... we're gonna need a new rule... no test morphing in rooms with places to crawl under," Noah complained. First the him and the store room with all it's hiding places, and now the bunny under the couches. Hmm... how did you call bunnies? You could 'tsk' and 'swish' at cats and dogs... He shrugged and tried it anyway. "Come on Yuki, it can't be that hard to get a grip on a bunny. All they too is twitch their nose and hop around. Um... tss, tss, tss? [size=1]Damn this feels stupid...[/size]"

Instinct Check: [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4249453/]1d20=20[/url]

<Ah don't eat me!Oh, it's just you.> Miyubunny said as she cautiously approaced Noah. <Wow you weren't kidding about the instincts taking over.>

"It's about time... I was going to go cat and chase you out," Noah grinned.

<Really and how would that make things better?> Miyubunny said. She hopped closer. <So how'd I do, I recall shrinking and then fear...>

"Would make it more fun," Noah grinned. He got up, dusted off his trousers and took a seat on the couch she had been hiding under, picking her up as he did. "I guess fear would be a prey species thing... the mouse had it too. The cat was more... self assurance I guess?"

Miyubunny squirmed in his grasp, something about rabbits, but she fought back the instict to hop away. She curled up in his lap. <I was afraid I wouldn't come back...But now that I'm back ehrm...how do I look? Morphed correctly I hope?> Miyubunny said. She was legitimately worried some organ might be out of place.

"How shoud I know? You look like a bunny," Noah said, tugging on one of her paws. "I know cats. Not bunnies. But I think it works fine all on it's own."

<That's all I needed to know...was worried that some organs were misplaced or something.> Miyubunny said.

"Um... speaking of organs... is Blackie a lad or lassie?" Noah asked.

<Lass...I got lucky...you might even say lucky rabbit.> Miyubunny said.

Noah picked Yuki up and dangled her by her forepaws. "See Zander? Talking bunny."

<Hey, careful there.> Miyubunny said to Noah. <Could you just stick to petting?>

Alex smiles nervously at what he was hearing... and seeing, "I'll... just smile and nod and not ask why I'm hearing Miyu's voice inside my head."

<I heard that...> Miyubunny said. She wasn't too enthusiastic about Noah holding her up like this.

"You want to hold her?" Noah offered.

Alex looked at Noah to see if he was serious, but soon chuckles, "Not sure how I feel about this, but sure, why not?" He puts the folder of study group stuff on the table and prepares to hold a human-turned-bunneh... He's going to need an asprin soon.

Noah handed over Yuki with a pleasant smile, setting her down in Alex's lab in a ball of black fur.

Alex carefully holds the 'rabbit' and pets her a little. It didn't take him long to ask a question, "All of this happened last night? How did you guys get used to this already? This... well, pretty much goes against everything I know... so you can imagine how I feel."

"Used to it? No, not really," Noah admitted. "But I've got ... motivation. And I practiced some."

<Yer right Noah that does feel nice.> Miyubunny said curled up in Alex's hands. She enjoyed being a bunny now that she got over the instincts. She nuzzled against his hand.

Alex froze a little when he heard Miyu's voice in his head again, but slowly continued, "Okay... You know, I'm just going to ask; what is this deal Elf alien guy expecting? Anything other then keeping that cube thing hidden is a bit much to be asking normal teenagers to do when it involves Aliens. Anything other then that..." He shakes his head as he started to think too hard, "I may need an aspirin soon... This is just crazy."

"While I don't think we count as 'normal' anymore..." Noah said blandly. Normal kids didn't turn into pets at will. He sighed. "Anyway, I think he most he wanted us to do was... recon maybe? I mean... me and Lisa suddenly seem to know all sorts of stuff about aliens we didn't know before, so I'm guessing Elfie info dumped us or something... why else would he told us about the Pool?"

Alex chuckled a bit at the first thing Noah said, "You know what I meant." Other then that he allowed Noah to continue and kinda hoped he knew that Alex had no idea what he meant by a pool.

<You mean that supposed yeerk pool of that kadrona stuff they need to life outside of their hosts?> Miyuki directed a thought to only Noah. Miyuki Stuff: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4251015/</u>]1d20=19[/url]

"See? You know too," Noah said, pointed at her. "I can get the controller info and the run down of the different aliens that scum bucket has working for him, but why else would he tell us that his fleet will be around in a few months, and that random download that I can only guess happened when..." He flashed back to the death scene and the vividity. He swallowed the acid. "Yeah..."

<Still to think we're to go do recon for elfie...is a little much...> Miyuki said to Noah hopping into Noah's lap. She attempted the cute bunny pet routine for the first time, so of course it looked too human. <I mean I just figured out how to control this morph.> Miyuki Acting: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4251048/]</u>1d20+8=24[/url]

Alex is a smart kid, so when something flies over his head, either that's because someone is speaking in a foriegn language, or you're talking about aliens and 'yeerk pools', "So... Should I sit here and pretend to know what's going on, or...?"

"We mentioned it earlier, the place the yeerks go to... eat? I guess feed is a better word," Noah responded with a shrug. He idly plucked at Yuki's ears as he mused. "I'm not going to force anyone to help, but... I know one person how's a controller in our school, I at least want an idea of who else, and what she was up to. If she didn't sent Zander to watch us for a reason, this sharing thing might have something to do with it..."

<I wouldn't go so far as to say that.>, she said to the two of them. <And Noah, the ear thing is interesting, but you could just do petting...>, she said only to Noah.

"No way. The way you're going on about it makes it should really creepy," Noah objected.

<What the sharing? The sharing is only creepy if you let it be.>, Miyuki said to him.

"I'm taking about you and the petting," Noah said, rolling his eyes. He'd never though much about The Sharing before. They were just like scouts or some other club type thing. He just never really had the time, or interest, in having anything to do with them.

<What...why, this is the first time I've mentioned it at all.>, Miyuki said, <And why so much concern about the sharing anyway...it's not like their trying to take over the world...or are they.>

"Call it paranoia, then," Noah said cooly. "I can't trust anything that a yeerk recommends. Um... can we call them slugs? Yeerk sounds too cool for the bastards."

<Brain slugs maybe...hmm...not that much I can do as a bunny after all. Was this how it was like as a kitten?>, Miyuki asked Noah.

"Hey! Apollo is a year old! He's not a kitten anymore," Noah protested, setting Yuki on the ground.

<Your so big from down here...hey was it something I said?>, Miyuki said looking up at Noah who was giant size to her bunny form.

"And you look like a mouthful," Noah said, sticking his tongue out at her.

<Real funny Noah.>, Miyuki said as she struggled to climb back onto the couch. <u>http://24.media.tumblr.com/c42ce4fdc04b6ed1c3979ebe08bca2fa/tumblr_ml58d57IIf1rlvvt8o1</u> <u>250.gif</u> //yup basically that... //you have to admit it's cute though.

//although miyuki hasn't really been described as cute

"Bunnies don't climb, do they?" Noah mused. "I guess not really good for much more than fun."

<Figures, that I'd have to use mouse morph for useful stuff...>, Miyuki said.

Noah was already thinking about how he could use the mouse and cat morphs he had to sneak about the school and find out all the 'dirt' on Graceland. Both were good for recon, one good for sneaking and movement, the other for infiltration and being undetected. "That was kinda cute though," he said somewhat distractedly.

<No seriously, I can't get back up...darn bunnies don't do much except run fast and look extremely cute...although side mounted eyeballs do see quite a bit of stuff...nothing can sneak up on me.>,Miyuki said. She noted the difference in viewing for her rabbit eyes.

"'Cept for a cat," Noah smirked.

<Whatever you say Kitten, But you don't really plan on doing recon soon do you...you've only morphed twice, this is my first time...and Lisa well...she gave it a good try.>, Miyuki said to Noah.

"Well... four times, actually," Noah admitted, holding up fingers with a sheepish grin.

<Four times?...I've got some catching up to do>, Miyuki said to Noah.

"I wanted to see what it looks like, so I recorded it on my webcam this morning after mommy and daddy left for work. And I tried napping as a cat yesterday. Didn't have anything better to do," Noah shrugged.

<Wasn't there a two hour time limit or something?>, Miyuki said to him.

"Huh? There's a time limit?" Noah asked.

<Elfie said it, two hours in morph and it's permanent, I don't care to test that...speaking of which how long has it been since I turned into a bunny?>, Miyuki asked finally jumping high enough to land on the couch.

"It's permanent if you stay more than two hours!?" Noah demanded.

<Don't you remember what he said about the tesseract?>, Miyuki asked, <Now how long has it been since I was bunnyfied?>

"Fae'sen..." Noah said, counting it out to see how close he came. "The only reason I morphed out was because mommy came home early and I woke up..."

Miyuki crawled into his lap again, people were surprisingly comfortable. <Which is why I'm concerned about how long it's been since I morphed.>, Miyuki said.

"Um... something like twenty minutes? Half an hour maybe?" Noah said. Two hours? Frag... He wold need to keep a watch around. Maybe buy a few cheap digitals...

<Twenty minutes...whew...was afraid there for a moment...>, Miyuki said, <Well that gives me sometime to pretend to be a pet bunny heh.>

"Weren't you the one that talked about studying?" Noah asked.

<Whatever works really.>, Miyuki said to Noah.

Alex shakes his head and starts to go through the contents of the folder in an attempt to try and help his mind settle down from all of this.

"Come on... we're already in enough trouble with the school without skipping assignments," Noah said with a sigh.

<I suppose...But Lisa isn't back yet either.>, Miyuki said to Noah.

"Oi... I know Elfie could pull off a private messaging thing, you been excluding Zander why he's been so quiet?" Noah said with narrowed eyes.

Noah muttered and got his books out. "You know rabbits don't read, right?"

<Aww, do I have to?>, Miyuki sighed.

Alex shrugs, "Don't worry about it, the lack of a voice in my head made it a bit easier to sort out... the recent events in the past thirty minutes." He really wasn't quite sure how to label it, but once Noah said something about rabbits not reading and Miyuki complaining, he decided to test something and brings a random piece of paper in front of Miyuki, "Any luck? Even if you can, I'd rather you be human since it's very possible we'd forget about the time and I think one of you said something about a two hour rule..."

"Yeah... you probably shouldn't push your luck Yuki..." Noah said.

<Alright fine...>, Miyuki said darting off the couch and into the bathroom where her pile of clothes awaited. She wasn't able to properly lock the door but morphed back anyway. She was glad she couldn't see herself morph, cause it felt really strange. Once she returned to humanshape she found herself naked. Miyuki quickly locked the door and gathered her clothes so she could get dressed. She walked out later.

Miyuki Morph: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4252931/</u>]1d20=2[/url]fail [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4252932/</u>]1d20=12[/url]success

Alex used the time Miyuki was using for this morphing.. shifting... whatever buisness to finish sorting out the papers and putting them in different piles. While he was doing this, he decided to ask the question he deemed to be the most worrying, "So... These Yeerk, slug things... How worried should I be?"

"Extremely..." Noah said after a moment. "They take away free will... and that's only for those who don't willingly accept them."

"I'm done morphing...", Miyuki said as she returned to the living room. "And who would willingly accept a brain slug?", Miyuki asked.

"Lovely... don't suppose this 'Elf' told you about how to counter it? Don't feel like having a slug inside my freaking head..." Alex said as he made sure everything was sorted out, "...Any idea when Lisa is getting back?"

"He didn't say," Noah said quietly. Even more reason to poke around. Maybe they could find out if they found that pool place.

Lisa soon came back and knocked on the door, small cage in hand for the mouse. She hadn't bothered aquireing it. It seemed to be a waste of time. Her 'powers' were broken. Instead, she waited and looked at the little mouse, wondering if the poor thing would give Noah's cat indigestion.

Miyuki rushed to greet her. "Aww, Lisa, you missed my bunny morph...", she said greeting her by the door.

Noah sighed and looked at Zander. "She does remember that this isn't her house, right?"

Lisa smiled. "Glad you can get those things working. Where's Noah?" She asked.

"He's in the living room. We're about to start studying in the living room. I see you got the mouse...", Miyuki said to Lisa.

"Yep," Lisa said, tking off her shoes and entering. "Here's your mouse," She said when she spotted Noah. "How come you give them stuff to kill, anyways? Don't cats already kill anything that moves?"

Miyuki followed Lisa back to the living room.

"Its a treat. They don't cost much more than a can of cat food, and it's good to give them the practice since we don't really have mice in our house," Noah said, adding the third mouse to the other two. He didn't say anything about why he had three mice.

"Enjoy watching the little runts, hunt huh?", Miyuki asked.

"My cats aren't runt," Noah smiled. "And both of them are awesome hunters."

"Then don't morph into a mouse in thier presence.", Miyuki joked.

"Hey... that would be a very painful method of suicide," Noah said in a somewhat scared tone. "They are not quick killers most time."

"Well of course...so Zander, what were our assignments anyway?", Miyuki said in an attempt to change the subject.

Noah hid a sigh that certain intentions wheren't uncovered and delved into the assignments.

Zander nods, "I think I recovered enough to get this started... So, I'll get the drinks and stuff and we'll get right on this."

[b]The Next Day....[/b]

Noah made nice till his parents went off to work, then, giving it an hour or so, he cut out and headed off to school for a bit of somewhat disallowed behaviour. There was a point on the campus were it was somewhat easy to scramble over the fence and get in without going through the proper entrance. But first. He sent out a text message while he was still in transit. [To: Yuki, Lisa]

[In or No?]

Miyuki: [In]

[i]Noah to {Yuki} [Then get down hair already!], [here (stupid keyboard)], [PS: School][/i]* Miyuki: [Coming] Noah snickered when he got that one, but didn't bother to send a response back. Actually, considering what they got into trouble for... He shooed that thought away. Lisa: How'd you even...? This is for emergencies only! And in for what?

[i]Noah: Stole it yesterday. Check your call history. And phonebook. Also: *dope slap* Horrible Memory.][/i] *He's in her phonebook as Noah (The Great and Powerful)*

Lisa: Note to self: change number. And again, i ask, in what? i'm seriously wondering what you did with your brain lately... I'll let you know if i see it.

[*i*]Noah: Lisa's out. See you in 5, Yuki.[/i] Lisa: I need saner friends... *Lisa is now Offline*

MIyuki did leave the house earlier that day, so she wasn't too far away, but was hesitant to do this.

While that convo was slowly building, he set off another text to Zander. [*i*]Noah to {Zander (Geek Squad)} [Hello, Zander. Talking a walk. Re: Yesterday. Who's class are you in? -Noah][/*i*] Cryptic was but he was still sort of perenoid. No telling what the slugs could pull off. And

Cryptic, yes, but he was still sort of paranoid. No telling what the slugs could pull off. And teachers like confiscating phones. The less said the better.

"Hey Noah...so what was this thing you wanted to do?", Miyuki asked walking up to him. Today she wore a tank top and skirt.

Noah was peering over the wall from an impromptu step stoll crate to see if anyone was around on the school compound. "I'm going to follow Miss Graceland around. See what she's up to."

"And how do you plan to do that Kitten?", Miyuki asked.

"You just said it," Noah grinned. "Cats have way better eyes than mice."

"Then what did you need me for?", Miyuki asked, "You're the only one who can do that."

Noah hopped down back to street level. "Cats have better eyes, but mice are smaller. Tag team. We find her and you stick closer with your mouse morph." He raised an eyebrow at her. "You did say you were going to acquiring it."

"I did, I think...hmm..so where are you going while I attempt to stay close?", Miyuki asked.

"I'll be close by, don't worry," Noah said. But as sneaky as a cat is, Apollo is too big to squeeze under doors anymore."

"I'm not sure mouse me would appreciate having a cat watch my back...", Miyuki sighed.

"And I don't think cat me will like holding back. But I practiced," Noah said. "I can handle it, don't worry."

"And where would we hide our clothes...sorry...that came out all wrong.", Miyuki blushed as she realized what she implied.

Noah sighed in pain. "We have to sneak in first. Everyone should be in class, and no one has gym right now, so we can sneak in through the side door facing the cafe."

"Plan to morph to sneak in?", Miyuki whispered to him.

"Sneak in first. Not exactly any place to hide here," Noah said. "Or hide clothes."

"What's the plan to get us past the gate, Kitten?", Miyuki asked.

"I just told you. Side door. You can climb a wall, can't you?" Noah asked, tipping his head at the one behind them.

"Lead the way, Noahcat.", Miyuki said to Noah.

"Come on then," Noah said, climbing up the wall again, pausing to make sure it was clear before he scrambled over and dropped to the other side. [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254233/</u>]1d20+5=14[/url]

Wall DC: 13 (15-2 for the stepping stone the crates and such provide)(Also, I decided the DC before I rolled.

Miyuki struggled as she tried and failed to climb the wall. By the end she was sweating and she was sure her top was a little ripped by loose fence bits.

Miyuki Climb checks

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254238/]</u>1d20=11[/url]

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254239/</u>]1d20=7[/url]

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254240/]</u>1d20=12[/url]

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254241/</u>]1d20=1[/url] Yep. Ripped her top here. [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254242/</u>]1d20=20[/url]

"I thought you said that you could climb?" Noah hissed at her in annoyance. Hey could have gotten caught in the time it took her to scramble about with the fence. They weren't exactly supposed to be on the premises at the moment, after all.

"I know how to climb, when did I say I could climb here...", Miyuki said sheepishly.

"Just come one already," Noah sighed. He motioned her foward as he skulked through the shrubbery before making a casual break for the wall. [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254498/]Stealth16[/url]

Miyuki followed behind him, crawling so as to minimize her already diminuitive stature.

Stealth:

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4254505/</u>]1d20+3=5[/url] O.o I hate castle sometimes. *hands Mew the official T-shirt*

She neglected to consider how much generic foliage was in the area to rustle as she moved or the spider that was crawling up her leg. Once she noticed the spider, her attempts to be sneaky were over. "Get it off, get it off!", she said, before she caught herself.

Noah knocked the back of his head on the wall a few times. [*i*]God, what did I do why these two girls you've tied me up with keep getting me in more and more trouble?[/i] "Just get moving before someone can come out!"

Miyuki rushed to where Noah was under the window, back to the wall. "Sorry, there was a spider crawling over me....", she whispered, still cringing at the thought of it,

Noah muttered something as he opened the door and pulled and pushed Yuki inside. "Bathroom. Go." It was likely that someone was coming to check this door, considering the commotion that Yuki caused.

MIyuki rushed into the girl's restroom expecting Noah to either follow behind her or go to the boys room.

Noah ducked in after her. Thankfully, it was empty. "You okay?"

"Yeah..we really planning on doing this huh...", Miyuki asked, fully ready to attempt morphing again.

"I called you, didn't I?" Noah looked around the bathroom. "It really is nicer in here..."

"Is it? I never noticed...", Miyuki said to Noah. "And I don't think our clothes are safe even in here..."

"What do you take me for?" Noah grinned. "I have a plan!" He led her to one of the stalls. Jeeze, it even smelled better. Girls had it lucky. He pointed to the pipe at the bottom of the tank. "We turn that off, flush and put the clothes in the tank."

"And get my skirt covered in nasty toilet water...no thanks.", Miyuki said to him.

"Flush first. I just said that. With the pipe off, it won't be able to refill," Noah said, rollig his eyes.

"You do it then...One you have it set up I'll morph...", Miyuki said.

"We each take a stall and lock it from the inside, that way we get the privacy. I'm using the males, by the way." Noah did shut off the water supply and empty the tank for her though. Then he pulled out a plastic bag. "To make sure they stay dry."

"I'm going to need your help with that Noah.", Miyuki asked.

"Um... why would you need my help?" Noah said, hesitant to actually know.

"I don't know how to do plumbing like you do...", Miyuki said to him.

"All you have to do now is lift the top," Noah demonstrated as he spoke, "stash your stuff and put it back down. Just make sure you lock the door before your morph."

Miyuki did as she said, stashing her clothes there. She wondered if there was a way around this clothes thing. "Alright then Noah...here goes nothing...", she said locking the door.

"I'll meet you by the bathroom doors," Noah said quietly through the door.

Miyuki began focusing on the mouse she acquired earlier. As she did, her naked self shrank down and she grew fur and a tiny tail.

Miyuki Morph: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4256815/</u>]1d20=14, 1d20=10[/url]

The new Miyumouse skittered out of the stall and then around the area. Miyumouse slowly wandered the bathroom. The air freshener scent overpowering her senses.

Noah slipped out and snuck into the males side, and more or less did the same thing, emptying the tank before stripping, stuffing them in and focusing on the cat DNA floating about somewhere in his body. It didn't start right away, but he closed his eyes and tried again and it kicked off. He hated shrinking. It was like falling. The tiled floor rushing up to him. He almost hit is head when posture shifted before he was small enough. At least he had the forsight to stand on the seat before starting.

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4256818/</u>]Morph: 23[/url] [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4256832</u>]instincts: 22[/url]

It didn't take long for him to adjst to cat by shaking his head on the seat. Noah slowly blinked, adjusting to the feline vision, and stretching before he leapt off and slinked under the door, ears twitching. So many little sounds he never noticed before. He ignored them and make for the doorway, sneaking around. Cats snuck. <Yuki? You there?> he called out as he slipped back into the female side.

The timid little Miyumouse rushed away from the door as she saw the shadow of a cat enter the bathroom. The mouse hid behind the sinks.

<Yuki?> Noah asked, seeing a mouse run off. He squashed the cat's urge to chase. He was glad he practiced. He slowly padded over to where she was, ears twitching, sniffing the air slighly. Feline scent and hearing were awesome. The eyesight was a bit murky, bit that's nothing contacts couldn't fix. <Yuki! Get a handle on it!>

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4256851/]</u>instincts (1d20+4+2=20)[/url]

Miyumouse Instinct:

[url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4256857/</u>]1d20=3[/url]

Miyumouse rushed away from the cat darting out of the bathroom and into the hall. She feared for her life, darned cats following her around.

<First the rabbit, now a mouse... you've got to be kidding me,> Noah complained, running after her. In all likelihood, it wasn't helping, but he couldn't just let her run off on her own either! At least cats were fast and natural hunters. He couldn't just like a mouse get away. Mice her prey. It would be in insult to his pride if one got away from him. He leaped and pounced on it. [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4256874/]instincts (1d20+4+2=9)[/url] [url=http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4256882/]Pounce=20[/url]

Miyumouse squeaked and attempted to squeeze out of the cat's grip. The mouse squeaked in fear, knowing that she was about to be eaten.

Noah snapped his head back head back. Damn... he didn't even realize he'd slipped. He kept he paws pinning her though. <Oi! Yuki!> [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4257150/</u>]Instincts=24[/url] Miyuki Morph: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4257244/</u>]1d20+2=8[/url]

Alas, the poor Miyumouse squeaked in terror at the cat that was pinning her down.

<If you don't snap out of this, I will eat you,> Noah said, picking her up in mouth. He figured the mouse wouldn't understand, so many indignation would get through to her. Hopefully.

Miyuki instinct: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4257248/</u>]1d20+4=13[/url]

<Hey Noah...what'd I miss...ack...snap out of it Noah, don't eat me!>, Miyumouse said finally. She felt as if she was coming out of a haze. She barely recollected running from a cat...must be the one that was lifting her up now. Darned animal instincts...she still wasn't used to it.

<Back in the world of the sapient?> Noah asked padding down the hallway with his mouth filled with mouse.

<Do you have to carry me like this?>, Miyuki asked, dangling in midair.

<For now, yes,> Noah said. <Told you not to run and you still did anyway. And don't squirm. You know, it's weird to talk with your mouth full.>

<And I wasn't myself at the time, so yeah...>, Miyuki said.

<You're squirming right now. That really doesn't help. Cat's eat squirming mice,> Noah pointed out, sticking close to the lockers. <Hmm... I think I'm disoriented... It's still hard to find my way around as a cat...>

<And I can't really see from here...>, Miyuki said.

<Right... sucky mouse eyes...> Noah muttered. They could really have used a third set of eyes. But of course Lisa just said everything but never remembered anything. It took a while, but he did eventually find his way around and got to Ms. Gracelands office. By then, he'd promoted Yuki from captive to cat rider. http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/search/1325545/

Miyuki danced on Noah's head. ANd then looked around for how they would get to Ms. Graceland's office.

Notice: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4257291/]</u>1d20+3=22[/url]

<See if you can squeeze through the crack under the door,> Noah told her.

Miyuki jumped off of Noahcat's head and attempted to fit under the door.

Escape Artist: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4257370/</u>]1d20+4=21[/url]

<I'm in>, Miyumouse said once she got all the way through.

Notice: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4257372/</u>]1d20+3=19[/url]

Miyumouse looked around in the room.

Stealth: [url=<u>http://invisiblecastle.com/roller/view/4257373/</u>]1d20+3=10[/url]+12 from size (diminutive)

Mouse eyes didn't see much, just areas of light and shadows mostly. But she could hear Ms. Graceland's voice talking on the phone.

<What's she talking about? I can't make it out from here,> Noah asked, doing his best to hide in the corner of the doorway.

<I can't hear what it is exactly.>, Miyumouse said, <Should I try to get closer?> [you hear her voice, but she's talking quiet like, hence you can't make out words.]

<You're a mouse, it's what mice do, squirming underfoot and stuff. Or is that puppies?> Noah teased.

<I don't think I can get onto that table...>, Miyumouse said, moving closer to Graceland's feet and then hid in the corner where she could remain hidden. Miyuki didn't want to think about how she could see upskirts from this angle.

<I said under!> Noah said, pacing, unable to stay still.

"Still no word?" Ms. Graceland was saying. "I don't care what your excuses are, but the visser is suspicious because of the guard and his report, so we need to make every effort." Another pause. "Yes, she reported that her daughter was there. "

<You were right Noah, Graceland has something to do with the Visser, something about her daughter being there...wait...mom...or Lisa's mom...or my aunt..or even

grandmother...or...or...oh no! no...>, Miyumouse said, trying to direct the thoughts carefully to just Noah.

<Keep it together, Yuki!> Noah beamed back at her. He... he didn't want to think about what that situation would be like. <She didn't say anything definate.>

<Alright...alright...>, Miyumouse said right back and continued listening to the rest of the conversation.

"In any case, she will be at The Sharing tonight. We can evaluate then. In the mean time, continue to keep track of all potentials"

<Something big's going down at tonight's Sharing...'she' will be there.>, Miyumouse relayed to Noah.

<Tonight? Now's the night she wants us there,> Noah said, a bit concerned.

"If you pardon me, I have to continue my day. My hosts duties as the vice principal can be demanding." She ended whatever call she was on and there was the scraping of her chair shifting back.

Miyumouse took that as a cue to get the hell out of there. She moved to where she could scurry away and said, <Noah...need any more...I think I should get out of here.>

<What happened? Did you get spotted?> Noah asked frantically, pawing at the door on what was definately a more cat born urge. He could hear movements inside, but nothing that sounded like something trying to catch a mouse.

<I just feel I've got enough information for now.>, Miyumouse said.

<Alright then, time to pull out, I guess,> Noah said. If someone had been a bit more explicit in their summary of the situation, he might have left to find a hiding place. But, since said person didn't... The door opened and caught him off guard when Graceland opened the door.

She looked down in surprise. "Earth vermin..." she kicked him out of the way even as he hissed and murred in surprise and pain before running off.

Miyumouse snuck out as Graceland did. <You okay Noah??>, she asked.

<yea... I think so... but that seriously hurt... man, who kicks a cat?> Noah grumbled.

<We gotta go!>, Miyumouse said.

Noah rolled to his feet, his side throbbing faintly. Mrs. Graceland had already wandered off, <Um... yeah... Crap... what's our time like? I forgot to keep track. Phee... I guess we should call it and compare notes?>

<I don't think it's been more than half an hour, but we should morph back just to be sure.>, Miyumouse said.

<To the bathroom then,> He said, snagging her in his mouth again and running off. <Class is bound to be let out soon.>

<Sure...just drop me off at the lady's room.>, Miyumouse said to him.

<I plan to,> Noah said as he got his bearings. <Man I wish there were clocks in the halls... I can't tell how soon until classes let out without them... you think we could find little wrist watches to wear?>

<That would be very helpful, now we should morph back just in case the time thing is getting close...>, Miyumouse said to him.

<So, you got over the 'don't eat' me thing?> Noah asked as he scampered down the halls.

<Somewhat, kitty, only somewhat.>, Miyumouse said to him.

<Hey, I practiced, I told you that,> Noah laughed mentally.

<And foolishly I believed you...now lets get out of here before people show up.>, Miyuki said to him.

<Hey! One mouse survived!> Noah said, indignant.

<Just one, and you bought what...four?>, Miyumouse said.

<Shuddah...> Noah muttered. <I had to figure out how not to hunt and how not to bite them... [size=1]Had to get more...[/size]>

<Isn't that kind of cruel...those mice did nothing wrong...>, Miyumouse said.

<You preferred I test it on you?> Noah snorted, dropping her by the bathroom

<Touche Mister Cat....>, Miyumouse said.

Noah slipped off to the boy room before she thought to ask what happened to the mice that he didn't pass the test with.