

Last Minute Check Before Adventure

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A Steelix and a Marowak(Pedro) talking in a house that's right in the middle of the graveyard that they both guard and protect. Pedro's packing a bag and the Steelix is wearing a red cloak on one of it's upper segments while also having a notepad in its mouth with a pen gripped by the tail part of it's golden steel body.

Pedro: "So to double check, you know everything you need to do to take care of this place while I'm gone, correct?"

Daimon(Steelix): "How could I not? You've double checked about five times by now. I'm telling you, you've got nothing to worry about while you're off adventuring in those mystery dungeons. I can handle things here, after all you'll only be gone for like a few days."

Pedro: "I just want to be absolutely sure you'd have everything under control. RushBone Cemetery is a place that's very important to me and keeping it clean as well as safe and free of grave robbers, soul takers and other dangerous individuals is a big task and not an easy one to do either as you know, especially since we're short a few of our team."

Daimon: Oh, yeah. The Soul Takers Gang, you really think that gang of ghost Pokémon will be back after the thrashing we gave them?"

Pedro: "There's a good chance they might after all ghost Pokémon thrive off payback and revenge and we let them go after we beat them. It's important you be prepared and on guard for them should they return while I'm gone. So back on track let's start our double checking with making sure you know who was in that gang?"

Daimon the Steelix opens and shuts its jaw while he thinks also making sure that the clipboard is clutched carefully by it's tail segments.

Daimon: "Ummm... there's the Shedninja wearing that blue cloak on it's back, then that Chandelure with the green flames instead of blue, that Honedge that looked like it had a v shaped crack in it's sword... body?, that yellow colored Sableye with it's red eyes, a Palossand that's missing the shovel in it's head and a Dusknoir whose bell on the top of his head has a few small darker brown spots. I'm pretty sure that's all of them."

Pedro: "It is. Not surprising you remembered them all though considering you helped me fight them the time before the last one, not much has really changed about them except maybe a new move or two. So moving on with this double checking, what are our hours here?"

Daimon: "... Three hours after dawn and two and a half hours after sunset except in summer when it becomes four hours after dawn and three hours after sunset"

Pedro: "That's correct. Make sure to keep that schedule memorized or at least written in your notes."

The Steelix moves it's surprisingly flexible tail and body segments to make this addition to the notes on the paper it's holding steady in it's huge mouth. The Marowak continues talking as it crams a few more things like berries, apples and a few revival seeds into his big bag.

Pedro: "Also remember not to let anyone in after closing or before opening unless it's some kind of emergency, we don't need Pokémon just here after hours anymore after the last few times, unless it can't be helped like say someone was after them and they needed shelter or something. Anyway, next and final question...do you remember who's available for this week while I'm out?"

Daimon: "I think so. Let me see... there's the Rampardos, that Alolan Sandslash, the Hippowdon guy, that cool Gogoat and I think umm... the Vaporeon should be here too right? She did come back, right?"

Pedro: "Chelsea? She's actually still on vacation as are Boyd, the Manectric and that Thievul who usually cleans up, the one with that bit of blonde in his stache. Bruno is the one who came back."

Daimon: "**Ugghhh!** Bruno came back? The Charmeleon?! No offense boss but he sucksss! I don't even know why you keep him around. I almost never catch him doing work and honestly he's a little slow on the uptake if you know what I mean. Again no offense towards him or you."

Pedro: "I'm not necessarily offended but I think he would be and I'd appreciate you not complaining about him like that especially not to his face. *Sigh*... Look I know he can be a little slow and seems lazy at times but he's a family friend and can be a strong, capable worker with a bit of patience and motivation, we grew up together after my parents... well you know. I let him stay because while it's not always noticeable he does work hard and when he doesn't I'm no less firm on him than I am with you. You don't have to like him but try not to be hard on him okay?"

Daimon: "Fine but since you'll probably be picking up some money from your trip I'm getting a raise for all this right?"

As Daimon asks that, Pedro zips up his bag after double checking to make sure he has everything and then proceeds to put it aside since he still has a few minutes before he has to go.

Pedro: “I mean you are taking on my responsibilities for a little while so yeah. It’ll probably be 150 Poké coins or something around that, maybe two hundred.”

Daimon: “That’s acceptable. I see you’re all ready now by the way.”

Pedro: “Indeed I am. I’m going to just hang out for a few minutes since it’ll be a few minutes before the Lapras Ferry arrives. I might as well say goodbye now though since I’m not sure if I’ll remember to or not when the time comes.”

Daimon: “Alright.”

Pedro: “Take care of yourself and try not to get your soul stolen or destroyed by anything because that would be tragic. I’ll be back in a few days from my adventuring trip, hopefully a little richer. Goodbye and good luck.”

Daimon: “Thanks boss. I’ll be sure to look after Rushbone while you’re gone and keep it and my self safe as well as everyone in it. Bye and enjoy your trip!”

A few minutes later Pedro leaves the Cemetery but not before giving Daimon the Steelix a friendly pat on one of his middle segments in the same way a human might pat someone on the shoulder and then he waves goodbye as he walks past the gates and off towards the pier where his ride awaits.