DRACON

CHAPTER 1

HELLO, MY NAME IS DRACON, I LIVE IN A SMALL VILLAGE CALLED REDUX IN THE MIDDLE OF A FOREST CALLED FIDEN. WE ARE HIDDEN FROM SIGHT. AND EVEN IF WE DO GET FOUND. WE HAVE A MAGIC BARRIER AROUND THE ENTIRETY OF THE VILLAGE, SO THE GIANT FLYING CREATURES WON'T BE ABLE TO DESTROY ANYTHING. THEY WILL ATTACK VILLAGES LIKE OURS OUT OF COLD-BLOOD AND THEY HAVE NO MERCY. MY FAMILY AND I LOVE THE VILLAGE, NOBODY EVER WORRIES ABOUT DANGER. EVERY INCH IS COVERED BY EITHER TREES OR THEIR LEAVES, MY HOUSE IS ESPECIALLY HIDDEN. BECAUSE IT IS UNDERGROUND. BRIGHT WHITE AND SILVER CRYSTALS LINE THE WALLS AND CEILING AND DON'T ASK ME HOW IT DOESN'T BLIND US BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW. I GUESS IT'S JUST NATURE. I'M TAKING UP A HUMAN DISGUISE, I AM ONE OF THOSE GIANT FLYING CREATURES WHICH I BELIEVE ARE CALLED "DRAGONS", BUT I'M NOT SURE. WELL, ENOUGH ABOUT ME. NOT GOING TO KEEP YOU ANY LONGER.

BACK IN THE VILLAGE, ME, AND MY FAMILY HEAD TO THE

MARKETPLACE TO PICK UP SOME FOOD AND SUCH, THEN ONCE WE GET

EVERYTHING, WE NEEDED WE HAD TO HEAD HOME BEFORE WE GO ON THE WALK AROUND THE VILLAGE AND MAYBE A LITTLE WAY IN THE FOREST. WE ALWAYS MAKE SURE NOT TO GO TOO FAR IN THE FOREST, BECAUSE WE MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO GET BACK TO REDUX. BACK IN REDUX, AFTER A LONG DAY OF WALKING, I HEADED ON HOME TO REST SINCE I AM VERY BUSY EVERY NIGHT. EVERY NIGHT, I HEAD DEEPER INTO THE CAVES AND EXPLORE THE UNDISCOVERED KILUN CATACOMBS, SINCE THERE REALLY ISN'T ANYTHING ELSE TO DO. DEEP WITHIN THE CATACOMBS, THERE'S BELIEVED TO BE A TREASURE WORTH MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE, I'M NOT SURE WHAT IT IS BUT I AM DETERMINED TO FIND IT. I CHECK IN EACH INDIVIDUAL CAVERN AND WAS NEVER ABLE TO FIND IT, THEN I COME UP TO THIS CAVERN THAT I HAVE NEVER SEEN BEFORE, IT LOOKED LIKE IT WAS DUG OUT RECENTLY. "IF THIS ISN'T THE RIGHT CAVERN THEN I DON'T KNOW WHICH ONE IS."

BACK IN THE VILLAGE, AFTER A LONG NIGHT OF EXPLORING THE CAVERN [I HAD TO STOP THE EXPLORATION EARLY BECAUSE IT WAS GETTING CLOSER TO SUNRISE] I HEAD BACK INSIDE TO RELAX FOR A LITTLE WHILE. "NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I THINK MY 'PARENTS' ARE MORE LIKE TEMPORARY CARETAKERS." I SAID TO MYSELF, BECAUSE I'M GOING TO HAVE TO FIND SOMEWHERE ELSE TO LIVE WITH TIME. PLUS, I DON'T KNOW HOW THE VILLAGE IS GOING TO REACT WHEN THEY SEE A

DRAGON WANDERING THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE. I USE THIS DISGUISE TO LEARN THE HUMAN WAYS.