

((Note: This whole story is not canon to the RP. This section takes place during [Chapter 46](#).)

Henry, Yukki and Eddo were watching an old black & white cartoon movie in the living room. This time, the movie was a rubber hose film made from their own country. This was one of these occasions when the siblings weren't watching an anime. Henry suggested that Eddo should be introduced to a show with visuals different from anime, so that he could get a taste of variety that movies had to offer. The movie was a series of episodes featuring an anthromorphic squirrel named Sammy in many different situations like a house being on fire that he has to put out, trying to woo a flirtatious female squirrel in a dress, and then rescuing the same female being kidnapped by a big muscular wolf anthro who wants to eat her. The cartoons were wacky, non-nonsensical at times, and comedic. The siblings' grandparents had loved watching that show in their younger days and had sent them movie in form of a DVD as a gift to share what they enjoyed with their grandchildren. Now they were watching the last episode of the movie, which was about Sammy taking the role of a construction worker and trying to kill a bothersome bee that has been pestering him with his stinger. His failed attempts at trying to squish the evading bee had resulted in him ruining the construction site in many comedic ways. The show was nearly over when Sammy's boss saw the site destroyed. He got mad at the squirrel and shouted, "You're fired!" Which he did so by picking up a baby dragon, or rather a pygmy, and using him as a flamethrower by pulling on the tail to make him spew out flames to set Sammy's butt on fire.

This caused the squirrel to cover his butt cheeks and bounced away as he repeatedly cried, "Ow!" The bee watched his butt monkey victim go down the street and chuckled at his misery. Sammy found a puddle and landed his burning rump and tail onto it to douse out the flames. Then he heard the bee's laughter and he finally killed the damned thing. The show ended with the bee's spirit flying up to heaven as an angel and Sammy having the last laugh.

After the movie was over, the screen returned to the main menu. Henry pushed the eject button on the DVD remote and then said, "Well that was a pretty fun movie. I can see why it's so popular back in its days." Then he asked the hatchling, "So what did you think, Eddo? Did you enjoy it?"

Eddo replied back with a smile, "I sure did! I really liked the part where Sammy was singing and the bad human was using his magic to change his songs and his clothes."

Henry grinned back at him, "Some of these songs sure were catchy, huh. I can still hear them sometimes." The opera episode where the envious wizard tried to sabotage Sammy definitely had the best musical score out of the show. It was so good that his mind would play one or more of these short songs in his head without his control.

"Me too," said the hatchling. "I'm going to sing one right now." He began to sing the cowboy music song from the movie in to's and do's.

The siblings smiled and laughed heartily at the performance. The boy commented, "That cowboy song,

that one was good." Then he looked to his sister and asked, "So Yukki, did you like the movie?"

The girl replied, nodding her head casually, "The movie was pretty okay." Then with an enthusiastic tone with a smug smile to back it up, she continued, "But nothing beats anime with all its superior art, music and plots!"

Henry faked a smile to hide his embarrassment and sighed, "Eh heh...riiiiight." Sure there were some anime shows that were pretty good, but the boy also knew that some of them were either mediocre or flat-out terrible. He remembered that one time when he watched one such vampire romance anime with his sister when he was cringing the whole time, trying to survive all 10 episodes on the DVD. The female protagonist was a dumb and helpless damsel who was always in need of protection and her vampire lover had an underlying abusive nature that Yukki failed to see. He hoped that Eddo, for the sake of the hatchling's sanity, would never have to see that atrocity in his life. Just then, they heard a loud roar coming from outside the house, alarming the trio to whatever was outside. The startled Henry asked, "Whoa, was that a dragon?"

Eddo said, "Sounds like she's trying to call us." How the hatchling knew the gender of the dragon was anybody's guess, because Henry thinks all their roars sound alike. Perhaps Eddo being a dragon himself would have the knowledge or instinct to be able to tell the sex of the owner's roar.

Yukki looked to her brother and told him, "Henry, go outside and check it out."

The boy was reluctant to go see who is out there for there was a chance that the dragon might be dangerous like the horde whose leader he accidentally shot yesterday. Maybe it'll try to eat him, if it was indeed ferocious. He hoped that it was one of these friendly types or else it would be the end of him. "Um...yes sis," he obeyed. As much as he would rather look outside the window than to go out the door, Henry knew better than to disobey his sister unless he wanted to incur the wrath of her pot. He quickly realized that looking out the window sounded safer indeed, so he went to do that first before stepping out of his home. After looking past the blinders, Henry's hope for a friendly dragon was realized. The visitor outside was none other than the cold dragoness from the city. The boy said, "Oh, it's the dragoness who saved my life."

Yukki guessed, "Who? Atlas?" Atlas was the only dragoness she knew of having saved her brother's life before.

Henry answered, "No, it's someone else. Her name is Frostfire."

The girl looked quizzical and asked, "Frostfire? Who's that?"

Before Henry could answer, Eddo beat him to it. The hatchling said, "She's the dragoness who was with Henry yesterday."

The boy looked surprised at Eddo as if he had just said the most strangest thing ever. "Err...what he said." Henry wondered how the hatchling was able to know the dragoness's name without her telling it to him. Did Eddo have telepathic powers like Kylie and Danielle did? He wasn't sure, but it would at least explain why Eddo was able to know.

Yukki told him like a pushy wife, "Well don't just stand there gawking at Eddo, go say hi to her."

"R-right, whatever you say," stammered Henry. He went up to the door, curious to see what Frostfire came to their home for. He assumed it wasn't a simple visit like coming here to say hi and then hang out to chat. After swinging the door and stepping outside, the boy greeted, "Hey Frostfire, how's it going?"

The dragoness replied, "My day's going fine, thank you. How is yours?"

Henry beamed, "It's good, I just watched a cartoon movie with my sister and Eddo. We had some laughs and smiles; it was hilarious!"

Frostfire smiled, "That must have been some day. I don't know what a cartoon movie is, but it must have been quite the entertainment."

"It sure was! I would have shown it to you, but you're too big for this house."

"I can tell," said the dragoness glancing at the door. Then she continued, "Anyway, I actually came to tell you about a human city you might be interested in. I don't know if you and your family ever got lonely and wanted to see civilization again, but I thought it would be worth bringing this up to you in case you wanted to move."

Henry's interest immediately rose at the exciting thought of moving away from a dead city to another one that is still bustling with life. Where there's people, there's everyday products both of importance and entertainment. Henry and Yukki would get to eat all the snacks, fast food and Haniyese food they want without having to spend time hunting in the wood again for wild meat and fruit. Yukki would get to see new anime and manga, if any country in Haniyas still had some survived cities that were still producing them. Henry would get to meet new friends. Life in the woods was indeed lonely; it was just him, his sister and now Eddo. All the other humans from the destroyed city were either dead, missing or escaped. "Wow gee, I would sure love to move there. I mean this place here feels just dead with only me, my pot sister and Eddo." Just then, he realized his mistake of accidentally blurting out his insult in the hearing range of his sister. Oh crap, now he was in trouble and there's only one thing she was going to do about that. *BAM!* The boy felt the hard surface of the frying pan hit the crown of his head. The impact sent a painful shock to his nervous system and he immediately fell over onto the grass.

Yukki glared down at her brother with the pan she held next to her head. She yelled, "Call me that one more time, baka!" She didn't like that nickname her brother gave her. She felt it had a double meaning to it and it might imply to some that she was smoking pot.

Henry didn't have the energy to look her in the eye as his head was still hurting from the attack. So he just laid face-flat on the ground and apologized in a weak-sounding tone, "Sorry..."

Yukki looked to the cold dragoness, who appeared to be startled by what just transpired. She quickly hid away her anger and put on friendly facade in order to make herself look nice to the visitor. Hiding the frying pan behind her back, she giggled innocently, "Hahahaha, sorry about that. I don't like be made out as a druggie. I'm Yukki, Henry's brother."

Frostfire, still disturbed from the surprising scene, introduced herself, "Frostfire..." Out of concern for the boy, she asked, "Is he going to be okay?"

The girl answered surely, "He should be, he's got hard head and a tough body to survive everything I throw at him. He'll be okay. And if not, I got the bandages to fix him up." What she said was the truth. Henry was tougher than he looked, otherwise she would never punish him with pots or frying pans. Taking the topic back to the real point on hand, she asked, "So what's this about a city you're telling Henry about? Is it a big city or a rich city? Because those kinds are bound to have what I want."

Frostfire answered, "Well I don't know much about this city other than it's a place where humans and dragons are on equal terms as citizens. I heard about it from a dragon who's traveling with a boy to get there. It's called Windfall."

Yukki and Henry were surprised about hearing what Windfall was like. They had never heard of such a place that gave dragons the same rights as humans. It sounded like something out of a fantasy. The girl questioned, "Really? A city where dragons aren't lower than dirt? You're pulling my leg, aren't you? Because that just sounds too good to be true."

Henry agreed with his sister; that place did sound pretty unusual in a world where dragons are slaves and hunting game, or were after their global rebellion. But then again, maybe such a city does exist after all. He took his face off the ground and said to his sister, "I don't know, sis. Maybe Windfall really is like that. I mean there's dragon rights activists, so maybe they got the mayor of the city to give rights to dragons. Don't know if mayors are allowed to do that though." The boy wasn't much knowledgeable on politics, but he was aware of the political hierarchy and the separation of powers. But he didn't know what latter actually was as he was none too interested in politics.

Yukki corrected, "Mayors don't do that, you dummy! Only presidents do that and President Faggart is a big fat racist who doesn't care about dragons. This has to be an illegal city if they're giving rights to dragons without his permission or the state's."

Henry replied, "Does it even really matter right now? I mean the president abandoned his own people and now everybody's scattered left and right trying to survive. It's a lawless country now." Ever since the start of the dragons' rebellion, he's wondered what the heck was on president's mind for not trying to

save his own people. Sure the guns and tanks didn't work anymore for some strange unknown reason, but Faggart was the president who was chosen to take responsibility for the northeast region. He should have at least tried like get the military to switch to spears and bows. But nope, it looks like the government cared more about their own safety than that of the 99%.

The girl replied, "I'm not saying it matters. I was just pointing it out. But yeah, you're right about what's going on." Then excitement and joy shot up within her as she realized that there was perfect home waiting for her, Henry and Eddo, who won't be the target of racism as the city will be safe for him. She said, "Which means Windfall can exist! Henry, get inside! We need to pack our bags now, we're moving to Windfall!"

Henry began to push himself back up to stand as he replied, "Okay sis, I'm coming with ya." Then the siblings went back inside their house as the boy looked back at Frostfire and told her, "We'll be back."

The dragoness replied, "I'll be waiting for you."

As Henry went to get the suitcases and travel bags out of the attic, Yukki smiled at Eddo and told him the good news, "Eddo, guess what? We're going to live in a nice city where all the dragons are free and all the humans are nice to you."

The hatchling looked up at her with lit eyes and asked, "Huh? Really?"

Yukki confirmed, "Yeah, you'll get to see more humans like us and not those stupid hunters and slave drivers. We'll even find you some dragon friends, too. Isn't that awesome?!"

Eddo smiled with delight and beamed, "Yeah! I want to go there!" He bounced with joy at the anticipation to move to Windfall.

"Alrighty then," said the girl, glad that everyone was now on the same page. "But first we have to pick some things we need to carry. Henry should be taking out the bags as we speak. Go get whatever things you want to take with you and set them right here, so that we can pack it up."

"Okay," Eddo obeyed before he scampered off to collect every toy and item he liked.

Yukki went to go check on her brother to see if he got all the bags and suitcases. She entered the hallway and saw the bags and suitcases piled up before the ladder to the attic. An empty duffel bag was tossed down onto the pile and she could hear the footsteps of her brother making his way to the next luggage. She called to him, "Hey Henry, how many more bags are there left upstairs? We need some for the TVs and two to carry all my anime and manga in."

In the attic, Henry looked at the amount of suitcases left and counted them. After getting the total, he replied back loud enough for his sister to hear, "We still got a lot up here."

"Okay, send them all downstairs," he heard her say.

"Got it," the boy said. Then he continued to take up the bags and suitcases from their places, so that he can drop them down. Henry wasn't sure if this luggage will hold all the stuff they want to carry over. They might be forced to leave some things behind as there were a lot of clothes, food, drinks, towels, and other convenient stuff they needed to carry. Obviously, most of the furniture would have to be left behind as the kids can't carry them. So it looks like they would have to sleep in sleeping bags from now on until they got jobs and have enough money to pay for beds. Henry wondered what he could do to earn them some cash at their new home. After the last luggage was dropped, Henry grabbed the sleeping bags and carried them downstairs.

Yukki saw the sleeping bags in her brother's arms and was pleased to see that he was ahead of her. She praised, "Good thinking, Henry. You brought these bags without me having to tell you."

"Ha ha, thanks!" The boy smiled a bit and joked, "I just figured we wouldn't be able to carry our beds with us, since we don't have any bags big enough for them."

The girl replied, "We sure don't and we also don't have a moving truck for it, too. Which sucks!" Taking all the stuff out of the house would have been no problem, if their father had been a moving truck driver or at least owned such a vehicle. But it was too bad that it wasn't the case. Yukki showed him the list she wrote on paper and said, "Anyway, here's what we need to pack up." She read the list of the things they need to carry for their journey out loud to her brother and ended it with, "You got all that?"

Henry scratched the back of his head as he was overwhelmed with the amount of things written on the list. "Gee, that sure is a lot, sis. But I'll try." Hopefully he can remember all that as he tried to pack them up.

"Good, now don't miss a single thing," Yukki told him. Then she warned with a scowl, "Or else!"

The boy grinned nervously as he replied, "Duly noted." Then the siblings grabbed some of the bags and went to pack up the things they would bring with them to Windfall.

((**Note:** The following sections take place during [Chapter 47](#).)

After getting all their luggage filled with the items they needed, the siblings and Eddo went with Frostfire to meet up with the one she had told them about who were going to Windfall, Rhino and Ryan. The yellow dragon named Rhino traveled with his red-haired companion, Ryan, and Henry, while Frostfire let Yukki and Eddo ride on her through the air. Both dragons carried the respective sibling's

possessions, though Rhino's group had some of Yukki's luggage to take with them. Frostfire had some of Yukki's stuff encased in ice attached to her legs, so that she could hold onto them during the journey. The girl overlooked the great landscape of trees as the dragoness soared, amazed at how high they were and how much she could from above. "Whoa..." she murmured. It's been a long while since Yukki had rode a dragon last time from her childhood during her time at the county fair. She forgotten the thrill she felt from riding through the air until now. The air brushing against her skin & clothes and blowing her hair back. Even the gentle motion was quite relaxing. The girl squealed out her joy, "This is exciting, I'm flying in the air again!"

Frostfire turned her long neck around to look back at the girl, saying, "Really now? I've taken you've ridden before?"

Yukki answered, "Yes, but it was a long time ago. I haven't gotten a ride from a dragon since then."

Eddo piped up, "My dad lets me ride on his back sometimes and fly around. It's really fun!"

His adoptive sister agreed, "I know, right? Being up in the open air is amazing!"

Frostfire giggled heartily and said, "It must be exhilarating for you flightless creatures to experience things your bodies can't do."

"It sure is," beamed Yukki beamed before she got curious about the strange word the dragoness just used. "Hey, what does exhilarating mean?"

Frostfire explained, "It means you're happy and full with excitement. The emotion you're feeling now."

"Oh okay," the girl replied. Then she asked, "Hey, how long until we get to Windfall?"

"I don't know. I'm just following Rhino's lead," answered the dragoness. She looked down at the walking dragon below her.

"So Ryan, how many more miles do we got?" asked Rhino, looking at the redhead walking next to him with a map in his hands.

Ryan read their location on the map and answered, "We got like... 22 more miles to go. We're getting pretty close."

"Twenty-two?" asked Henry. "It'll probably nightfall by the time we get there." That is assuming they took a break or two from their long and tiring walk, and in the case of Frostfire flight, of carrying the luggage. Or maybe tomorrow morning, if the journey was longer than expected and they had to sleep

for tonight. The blonde had a hunch that his sister might wake up to find a bug crawling on her. He saw her scream and panic like a headless chicken as she flailed her thin arms about. It was a hilarious thought to think about as he imagined how comedic she looked.

"Maybe," said Ryan. "But at least it'll only be one more night in the woods before we finally hit homerun. Then we can start looking for our own homes to sleep in."

At this instant, a jolt of tense realization snapped in Henry. The new homes they would live in would require money to pay the mortgages. The siblings only had their small savings and the remainder of their inheritance from their deceased parents, which had been mostly spent on merchandise and food, when not saving for bills. Oh geez, they were screwed. They should have gone to the city to find lots of cash first. The boy can only hope that one of the cheapest houses they find would last them long enough before their money ran out. He nervously asked the redhead, "Hey uh, Ryan? You don't mind if we all lived in one house, right?"

Ryan gave him a quizzical look as he asked, "Huh? Why?"

Henry twiddled his thumbs as he looked down at his own feet, trying to gain the confidence to explain at the expense of looking like moocher, which is probably the last thing the redhead needs in his new home. He answered, "Well... you see? My sister and I... we don't have enough money to pay for our own mortgages. So I was wondering if we all shared one house. We could uh... split the bills we have to pay." He hoped his sister would not mind the proposal he made without her knowledge. He was only trying to ensure they would at least have a roof over their heads. Henry looked the boy right back in the eyes and asked, "You don't mind, right?"

Ryan smiled and answered, "Sure, why not? As long as you're helping out in return."

The blonde smiled back gratefully and responded, "Thanks Ryan. I sure hope I can make it up to you someday."

"Me too," said the redhead. He held his chin with his thumb and index finger around it. Then he proposed, "But I think you can now."

"What? Really?" Henry wondered what need the other boy would have of him.

"Yeah." Then Ryan requested, "Think you can set me up with your sister? She looks pretty cute! I gotta know what she's like and what she's into." He grinned eagerly like he wanted to romance the girl as soon as possible.

Henry stared at the redhead, unsure of if he should let Ryan get together with his sister. The redhead's appearance looked nowhere like a dream date prince. He was a little chubby, freckled and not tall, but not short either. He didn't think Yukki would suddenly swoon over a guy like him. Plus, she was a

tsundere, he might end up putting Ryan into an abusive relationship if the ginger was not careful. Then there was Ryan, a stranger he only met just now. Henry didn't know what the guy was truly like or if he would end up hurting Yukki in some way. Either way, the blonde might eventually end up feeling sorry for at least one of them if things go bad. Henry decided to give the ginger a little warning for his sake. "Er sure, if you don't mind any punishments by frying pans and pots."

The confused Ryan asked, "Eh? What's that supposed to mean?"

Before the blonde could get on to reason why, he decided to test the redhead's anime knowledge, so that he could know if he should make a long explanation or a short one. He asked, "Have you ever watched anime?"

"Sure, I've seen shows like The Phantom Samurai and Magicmon. But what's that got to do with your sister?"

Henry answered, "Well you see, my sister is a tsundere. You know what that means, right?"

Ryan nodded, "Sure I do, it's a type of girl that acts mean, but has a nice side to them too. You know? Kind of like a nagging housewife."

The blonde let out a soft chuckle at the other guy's last sentence. He said, "You just described my sister perfectly. Yes, she nags a lot. And she whacks me with pans and pots too while she's at it."

The redhead's eyes went wide in shock and he cried, "Whoa, get out of here! You telling me she actually abuses you?" Even Rhino, who apparently was listening on this conversation, looked appalled by this fact about Yukki.

Henry tried to call them down by explaining his sister's action, "I wouldn't really call it abuse, just more of a punishment for when I do something wrong. You know? Like how you spank kids for being bad."

Ryan looked disturbed as he voiced his disagreement, "I don't think getting hit with a pan is my idea of discipline. That's something that belongs in cartoons and life ain't no cartoon."

Rhino interjected, "I've heard of whips, shocksticks and spanking to punish someone, but pans and pots? Aren't these things you humans use to cook with?"

Henry answered, "Yes, but guys. Yukki really isn't all that bad. She's a nice girl, too. Seriously! Just stay on her good side and you'll see how great she can be. The only reason I'm getting pot-treatment is because of a terrible thing I did to her at school." Despite the girl's tsundere personality, the blonde cared a lot about his sister. He didn't want anybody to get a bad image of her and think she's evil, when he knew that she has more qualities than that, mainly the positive ones.

"Really now," said the dragon. "What did you do? Put gum in her hair?"

"No."

Ryan asked jokingly with a grin, "Did you give her beer at the math party, so she can drive and derive?"

The blonde looked at the redhead like he was crazy for saying something ludicrous like that. Though the joke was kind of hilarious, enough to nearly emit a small giggle from him. "What the heck? No! I--" He clasped his hands over his mouth to stop himself from saying anymore. Last time he mentioned the skirt-flipping incident to Atlas, Yukki slammed his skull with her frying pan and he bled. He didn't want this kind of punishment to ever occur again. He removed his hands and continued, "I can't tell you what it is, but it's still bad."

Ryan said, "Oh come on, I'm pretty sure it can't be that bad. I mean it's not like you flipped her skirt up so everyone can see her panties."

Henry's shoulders suddenly tensed up and he nearly froze in shock at how close the ginger's statement to the truth. "Uh..." he started, trying to find the right words to lie and save his own skin. He hastily fibbed, "No! I mean no, I uh...never did something like that! I didn't do this! Honest!"

The ginger slightly tilted his head, not seeming to believe the blonde's claim. "Really? You sure did nothing wrong? Because it looks like you're trying to hide something."

Rhino came to the rescue by telling his companion, "Ryan stop! If the kid doesn't want to tell you, don't force him to. You can always ask Yukki about it if you're that curious."

"Okay, sure I will," replied Ryan. Henry was relieved that they weren't going to pressure him to open up about the incident anymore. He also knew that Yukki wouldn't tell her admirer anything about it either, no matter much he tried. Everyone continued to travel to Windfall.