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-Kayden POV-

(Oh f**k! What do I do? Why am I panicking now of all the times?)

She's looking at me and she looks scared. I take a deep breath and take my phone out. I call the doctor and tell her that we are on our way. We start walking to the pack hospital and on the way, I call Grant and let him know what's going on.

We get to the pack hospital and they immediately take us to a room where Rain gets comfortable. The doctor immediately walks in and she looks at both of us.

"So, the big day is finally here. How happy are you both?" She asks.

Rain and I look at each other not feeling the excitement at all. I am terrified. This whole time I had tried not to think about this moment because honestly, I'm afraid of losing Rain and the baby. So many things can go wrong.

The doctor chuckles. "Ok, let's check you." She says to Rain.

I sit on a chair and wait.

"Ok, so you are just starting and there is no dilation yet, so I suggest you both get comfortable cause most of the time, this takes longer." She says. "I'll come by in an hour and check on you again." She then leaves the room.

"Kayden I'm scared." Rain says.

I walk to her and hug her on the bed. "I know baby, but I'm here. I'm not leaving your side."

She takes a deep breath and holds me tight.

"Are you feeling any pain?" I ask her.

"No, not yet."

After a few more minutes, Rain started to get hungry. I asked the doctor if she could eat and she said since she is in the early stages of labor, she can have non-solid foods like Jell-O and apple sauce, so I called Grant to bring some.

When he gets here, he walks in with Avery and Levi behind him.

"Sorry, I was followed." Grant says looking annoyed.

"Omg omg omg! I can't wait!" Avery says hugging Rain."

"How are you feeling?" Levi asks.

"So far so good." Rain says.

I pull Grant to the side as Rain talks with Avery and Levi.

"How is 'that' going?" I ask, being cryptic.

"It's going. You were right." He says.

I nod. "Are we ready?"

He nods. "Yea."

"Good."

"How are you holding up? Your color looks a little off." He says smirking trying to tease me.

I sigh. "Wait until you're in my shoes."

His face goes serious and then he gets nervous.

Grant sighs. "Yea, it was confirmed today."

"Ha! Guess you'll be in my shoes sooner than I thought." I say laughing.

He rolls his eyes.

"So really. Have you given any thought to what I said? My name is perfect for both boy and girl. Avery is unisex." She says.

"No, we already chose a name." Rain says.

Avery mumbles annoyed and Levi laughs.

"Well, thanks for the food but she needs to rest, shoo!" I take them out and close the door as they whine.

Rain giggles. "They are more excited than we both are."

"I'm excited but I'm also... worried." I say.

"I know. Me too." She says.

We watch TV to let the time pass but then Rain starts to feel pain.

"What do you need, do you need anything? What do you want me to do?" I ask.

She laughs. "Stop panicking. Go get the doctor."

"Yea, ok." I rush out and get the doctor for her and when we come back, she checks Rain.

"Mh, it's going faster than I thought it would. We might have a baby within a few hours." The doctor says.

At those words, I finally feel the excitement more. I smile and Rain does the same.

"Do you want something for the pain?" The doctor asks.

"No, I can handle it." Rain says.

The doctor smiles. "Oh, I know you can. You are doing great Luna."

The doctor leaves and Rain smiles. "We will have our little boy soon."

Hearing her say that makes me so happy. I hug her and I really don't ever want to let her go.

Three to four more hours pass and I can tell that the pain is stronger. She closes her eyes and takes deep breaths. She handles it so calmly. I am so proud of her.

The doctor comes in and checks her and finally says that it's almost time. They get her ready and move her to the delivery room. I follow and can truly say, I have never been more nervous in my entire life.

"You ok love? You look pale." Rain says to me.

"Yea." That's all I say.

After a few minutes, I hold her hand and she starts to push. She whimpers but not once she screams in pain. This goes on for another couple of minutes until we finally hear a strong cry.

Rain takes deep breaths feeling relieved and tired. I kiss her. I kiss her like never before. She just gave me a son. This woman deserves the world.

"Oh!" The doctor exclaims. "Whoops! It's a girl!"

"What?" Rain and I ask shocked.

"Yep, that's a girl alright." She says showing her to us.

Rain and I look at each other and we both start laughing.

"You always have to have the last say don't you." Rain says laughing.

"Yep, I knew it too." I say smirking.

I smile. "Gladly."

(I'm making Grant help me.)

The doctor comes over with the baby wrapped in a pink blanket and hands her to Rain.

She holds her and we both look at her tiny little face completely in love with her. We both feel like this here is heaven. Green eyes, full black hair with snow-white skin. She is going to be the most beautiful thing ever.

The doctor comes close to us as she fills up some papers. "So I'm guessing the name Holden is out of the picture?"

Rain and I look at each other and we both know what her name is.

"Layla." Rain says and I nod.

"Layla." I say.

"Perfect." The doctor says. "I suggest to not announce that you've had her yet. Rest until morning and then do it. Otherwise, everyone is gonna want to meet the new addition to the pack."

I nod agreeing but all my focus is on Rain and our Layla. They take us to a room so Rain can rest.

I watch her and smile. "Now I have two princesses."

Rain looks at me and smiles. She is exhausted.

"You should hold her." She says lowly.

I go to her and gently pick her up. She weighs nothing. I stare at her as she sleeps and my heart beats faster. I already love this little being. She will have me wrapped around her little finger.

I put her in the little crib and watch them both as they sleep.

I rest my eyes but I am still alert. When morning comes, I receive the call that I was waiting for from Grant.

I get up and kiss Rain on the head as she sleeps.

-Rain POV-

I stir feeling Kayden kiss me.

I smile. "Morning."

He smiles back but looks tensed. "Morning beautiful."

I know him enough to know something is wrong.

"What is it?" I ask.

"Nothing, but I-"

I cut him off. "If you tell me you have to go and leave me without an explanation, I'm going to be very, VERY, angry."

He sighs. "I had Grant watch Heidi, to see if she was communicating with Abraham. And she did today." He says. "We found out where Abraham is and I'm going to kill him."

"But, can't someone else deal with this? We just had our baby." I say feeling dread. I don't want him to go.

He shakes his head. "I'm sorry love. I'm doing this myself so that it is done right. I'm not letting him slip through my fingers this time."

I know nothing I say will change his mind. I feel sad.

"Does it have to be now?"

He sighs. "If we wait, he might move from his location. Besides, I'm not going far. He's been hiding in the far edge of our territory, in the mountain area."

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He nods. "We were checking the neighboring territories instead."

I sigh defeated. "Be careful. We need you."

He kisses me and I don't want to let him go.

"I love you."

He leaves and I feel terrified. "He better come back to me."

I look at our Layla. (It was meant to be, the name is perfect for her.)

I feed her and she quickly falls asleep again. She is quiet and doesn't cry at all. I can't wait to see her grow, see her personality. I have a feeling that she will be the spitting image of Kayden. Hot-tempered and very Alpha-like. I smile. I can already imagine them arguing over boys and curfews.

I put her in her little crib and let her sleep.

"Are you hungry?" Preston asks walking in.

"Yea."

"Ok, be right back. I'll get you something." He says.

I lie down and try to rest but I can't. Not with Kayden gone. I turn the TV on and surf through channels. A nurse comes in and checks my IV bag. I look at her strangely, she's from the pack but I didn't know she was a nurse. I stare at her and she looks nervous. Then she takes a needle out.

"What is that?" I ask her.

"I..ah... it's for the pain." She says.

"But I'm not in any pain." I say confused.

She looks at me like a deer caught in headlights.

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-Kayden's POV-

"It's confirmed, he's in there." Grant says. "But there are also rogues, so we might have to fight our way in."

I look into the distance at the old crumbled bunker deep in the mountain. "So be it, we go fast, and even though I want to kill Abraham myself, if any of you have a shot, take it. He can't leave here alive."

They all nod. I brought half of the pack with me. I am not taking any chances. I have Grant and Violet with me and left Preston with Rain.

"How many entrances are there?" I ask.

"This is the only working one. The others we found were caved in." Grant says.

I nod. I look to the side where my father has one of the rogue's scouts tied up. My father insisted on coming.

"I would love to wait for the cover of darkness but, they will get suspicious when their scout doesn't come back. I want half of you in wolf form. Let's go!"

I give the signal and we all start to rush in with me leading. We get to the door and immediately kill the guards, then we go in. There's a narrow flight of stairs going down. We run in and kill everyone that gets in the way. We continue and because of all the noise, rogues start coming out of rooms. We start fighting but I keep pushing forward killing anyone who gets in my way. My only target is Abraham.

I continue and I can see the last room. The door opens and Jocelyn comes out.

"Please! Please don't kill him." She says pleading. She kneels in front of me with tears in her eyes but I have no compassion for her whatsoever.

"Move." I give a low warning tone.

She shakes her head still crying.

"You and your daughter are banished from the pack, if you want to keep living, I suggest you move." I say again.

"Jocelyn, you know what he did. I know you do." My father says walking towards us. "I should have taken care of him that night but... I was weak." He whispers the last part looking down.

She crumbles to the ground feeling hopeless as I move around her. I open the door and cautiously enter the room. I look around and see an old bed, the room is lowly lit but I can make out that there's no one in here. I look to the side and see an opening where a tunnel starts.

"Motherfucker!" I run down the tunnel. I keep running but the tunnel opens to the forest.

I smell the air and catch his scent so I run after it.

(I am NOT letting him get away.)

I run as fast as I can, his scent grows stronger letting me know that I am catching up to him. I finally see a glimpse of him and I run even faster now. When I am close enough, I lunge into him. We both roll on the ground. He slashes into me and the fucker gets me but he is still in human form so it doesn't do much.

We circle each other. He knows he can't win against me. (So what is his plan? If this whole thing has shown me anything, it is that he's not an idiot.)

He gives a quick glance to the side and my instinct kicks in, I immediately dodge out of the way of two

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The three of them attack me at the same time. I quickly punch Abraham sending him off flying and out of the way. I grab the rogue that's on my back and throw him against a tree. I hear his bones breaking and he dies instantly. The other one bites me on the side ribs, I take him by the neck and easily break it.

(He's going to have to do better than this.)

Abraham stares at me for a few seconds and then gives a quick whistle. Two more rogues come out rushing at me and Abraham runs the other way.

"Fucker!"

While the two rogues are in mid-air I dodge one and he goes past me but the other one I grab by the neck and break it. I lunge at the rogue that is left and punch him, he goes flying through the ground and falls unconscious.

I then run after Abraham as quickly as I can.

(I can't lose him!!)

I keep running unable to catch his scent. But then I catch my father's scent and it gets closer as I run. I stop running when my father stands in front of me with Abraham at his feet. I walk cautiously around them.

"Now you decide to do the right thing?" Abraham says to my father. My father looks at him with a pained expression but says nothing. He walks over to the side leaving him to me.

I walk over to Abraham, lift him up by his shirt, and throw him against a tree. He hits hard but before he can fall to the ground, I rush him and hold him by the neck.

"My father told me everything!"

"Your father is a fool and your mate a sl-" He stops talking as my fist hits his face before he can finish that sentence.

He starts laughing as his nose and mouth start to bleed.

"You know, I knew of everything that Evan did to her, in fact, I encouraged it but he could never quite get her." He laughs and I hit him again.

He then looks at my father. "And you believed every lie I told you." My father looks away and says nothing.

"Why! She never did anything to you!" I shout.

"She took everything from me!" There's venom in his voice.

(He really hates her.)

"Amelia was the only good thing in my life. I fell in love with her the moment I saw her. And even though we already had our mates, we loved each other deeply."

He spits blood out.

"But then she took her from me. If she would just have kept her mouth shut!! That stupid girl!" He shouts in pain.

"She was just a child." My father says.

"Well, I made sure I made her pay for it over the years... how does it feel to have a broken mate?" He says with a smile looking at me.

(He is gone. All I see is hate in his eyes.)

"You might have broken her down, but I will mend her, I already am. And you can't get to her anymore because you are dying here."

He gives me a wicked smile. "Are you sure about that? Have you contacted her in the last couple of

(What? I know she's not dead, I haven't felt any pain. He couldn't have gotten to her.)

"You have a daughter now, right? Are you sure she's ok?" He says.

(How does he know that? No one knows that yet.) I start to panic. I look at my father and he looks at me confused.

I look back at Abraham. "What's it to you?" I say trying to evade that question.

He smiles again. "Everything... she is my grand daugh-"

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I break his neck before he can finish.

(I already thought that was the case.)

"But she doesn't need to know that. Rain will never know." I say.

I look back at my father who looks shocked.

"He said nothing, right?" I ask my father with a warning tone and my father nods with wide eyes.

I take his body with me and head back to the bunker where Grant is outside assessing the whole situation. He sees me walking towards him as I drag Abraham's body behind me.

"It's done?" He asks.

I nod. "Take care of this, I need to call Rain." I say throwing the body on the ground. "Oh, and make sure that Heidi is out of the pack. She and Jocelyn need to be far away from our territory in the next hour. If they aren't, then I want them both dead."

Grant nods.

-Rain POV-

-Twenty minutes earlier-

"What is that?" I ask the nurse.

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"I don't want it. Where is the doctor?" I ask trying to get up.

She doesn't answer and quickly pokes the IV sending the liquid from the needle through it.

I quickly take the IV out of my arm. I am quick enough so the liquid doesn't make it into my veins. She looks at me and panics.

She takes another needle from her pocket and aims for my neck but I smack it, making it fall to the ground and then I quickly get back leaving the bed between us.

Layla is sleeping on the crib at the end of the bed. I am scared for her. I don't know what this woman wants but I won't let her hurt my baby.

"What do you want?" I ask.

"I... I, he told me to do it!" She says.

"Who?" I ask but I already know.

"Abraham." She says and I am obviously not surprised. "I have to kill you and take the baby."

I feel rage.

"And what do you get in return for doing that?" I ask not hiding my anger.

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sounding a little crazed.

(What the hell does that man have?)

She takes a knife out and goes around the bed, walking fast past Layla and in my direction, but I rush her and hit her with the weight of my body. She falls back on the floor with me on top of her.

I hit her over and over while she covers herself. She drops the knife and I instinctively take it and stab her on the stomach. I do not feel bad one bit. I feel an overbearing need to protect my child. I stab her again and then she stops moving.

Finally, one of the real nurses runs into the room with the doctor behind her, and they both gasp.

“What happened?” The doctor asks looking terrified.

I take the needle from the floor and hand it to her. “She was trying to inject me with that. Abraham sent her.”

I get up and start gathering my things.

“I don’t feel safe here anymore. I want to go back to my room in the packhouse.” I say.

“Yes. Of course.” The doctor says.

“Order up!” Preston says walking in. He stops when he sees the body on the floor. “What the hell?

”

I tell him what happens and his face turns grim.

“Kayden is going to kill me!” He says.

“Take me to the packhouse.” I say and he nods.

I go to Layla and wrap her up. Preston takes my bags as I carry Layla out.

I look back at the body and I feel no remorse whatsoever. (I am done being a victim.)

“So, is there a reason why our little Alpha is wrapped in a pink blanket?” Preston asks taking me from my thoughts.

I want to laugh but I also want to surprise them all at the welcoming party.

“The hospital only had pink blankets left.” I say.

“Oh.” He says believing the lie.

My phone rings with Kayden’s name-calling. I take a deep breath and hope for good news.

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-Rain POV- Ending-

(It's over. Finally.)

Kayden told me what happened yesterday. Abraham is dead and it's over. I don't ever want to think of him again. All I have in front of me now is my family. That's all I want in my life.

I get Layla ready for her little party today. It's just family and friends but in a few days, there will be a bigger party for the pack members to meet her and other ally packs are invited as well.

"Look how cute she looks." I say to Kayden.

He smiles. "Just like a little princess."

We didn't have any clothes for girls so last night, Kayden asked one of the pack members that recently had a girl pup for some clothing. Of course, he had to tell her the reason but she promised to keep it a secret. Layla has a cute pink dress with a tutu and a flowery headband. We are both in love with her.

"I can't wait to see everyone's faces when they see her." I say laughing.

A knock sounds on the door.

"That's probably Avery trying to have a peek again." Kayden says.

"Ok, let's put her in her car seat and cover her so she can't see her yet." I say.

When Kayden opens the door, Avery quickly peaks into the room.

"Oh come on. I just want to see him, what's the big deal?" Avery whines.

I smile. "You'll see HIM with everyone else."

"Fine, fine. Everyone is waiting." She says pouting.

Kayden carries the car seat with Layla sleeping inside and then we head downstairs.

When we get there, everyone is already there. Kayden's parents are here too. Kayden had asked me first if it was ok with me for them to be here and I said yes. It's their granddaughter and they should see her.

Everyone looks at us in anticipation. We set the car seat on the floor and greet everyone.

"Ok come on come on, let me see the little lady killer." Avery says.

I look at Kayden and nod giving him a smile. He lifts the cover from her and she is in full view. There is silence in the room and I just want to laugh, I can see Kayden also holding a laugh.

"Um... why is he wearing... that?" Preston asks.

"Why? You don't like it?" Kayden asks.

"Well, he looks like a girl." Kayden's mother says.

I smile and nod. "Yea, that's the idea."

They all look at us confused and Kayden and I start laughing.

"Why would you do that to the poor kid?" Preston asks.

I continue to laugh but Kayden stops enough time to be able to talk.

"Everyone, meet Layla." Kayden says.

"What?" Levi asks.

Kayden and I start laughing again, my cheeks and stomach hurt for laughing so much.

"Goddess, how have you not realized yet? We had a girl." Kayden says still laughing.

“OMG! And you had it all quiet?!” Avery shouts.

“We wanted to surprise you all.” I say.

“I have a granddaughter!” Kayden's mom says excitedly.

“Wait... you named her Layla?” Levi asks with a big smile.

“Yep, seemed fitting.” Kayden says and I nod.

Everyone starts to fuss over her.

“Grant, tomorrow we aren't dealing with any pack business.” Kayden says.

“Why?” Grants ask looking suspicious.

“Because I'm gonna need help exchanging all the baby stuff.”

“Oh, yea... s**t. There's a lot of stuff.” Grant mumbles.

“And Preston?” Kayden calls for him as he tries to leave the room quietly.

“What?” He says turning around looking guilty.

“I need you to change the color in the baby room to whatever Rain wants.” Kayden says and I give Preston an innocent smile.

He sighs.

“I'll help.” Levi says.

“Then me too.” Avery says enthusiastically. “Anything for the little princess.” She says in a baby voice.

(I'm sure she just wants to spend time with Levi.)

For the rest of the day, everyone fusses over Layla.

The next day, even though the big party for Layla is in a couple of days, Alpha Cristian comes to the pack to bring gifts.

I walk to the parlor holding Layla. Kayden is already there talking with Alpha Cristian.

“There they are. My princesses.” Kayden holds his arms opened and I walk into his embrace.

“Love, you remember Alpha Cristian.” He says and I nod giving a greeting to the Alpha. “And this is his sister, Carly.”

The girl has light brown wavy hair that goes to her shoulders, she is petite and has blue eyes like her brother Cristian. She looks like she's maybe nineteen or around twenty. She gives me a smile and bows her head.

“We heard that you had an unexpected surprise. So we brought you a bunch of cute clothes for the little doll.” She says handing us a bunch of bags.

Cristian chuckles. “My sister outdid herself.”

“Yeah well, you haven't found your mate yet so all hope for me to pamper a baby has to go somewhere.” She says mocking him.

“Kayden! I swear if you don't take Avery and Levi away from the paint, I'm going to lose it.” We hear Preston shouting from the hall heading over to us and sounding agitated. “They kept trying to act all cute with each other and started a paint war.” He walks in with pink paint all over his face and clothes. “I swear to the goddess if they don't get together soon-”

He is cut in mid-sentence when someone gasps.

We all look at Carly and she has her hand on her mouth looking surprised.

“You...” Preston starts but stops and swiftly walks over to her. He holds her and kisses her and she kisses him back.

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Kayden stares daggers at Preston. "Perhaps you would like to enlighten us as to why you have your tongue all the way inside Alpha Cristian's sister?" He asks with a warning tone.

(This could be bad for relations with Cristian's pack.)

They stop kissing and look at us. "Because this pink mess is my mate." Carly says holding Preston with him giving a big smile.

(OH!)

Cristian and Kayden's bodies relax. I swear they were both about to pounce on Preston.

"Well then, congratulations are in order... you get to take her off of my hands." Cristian says teasing Carly.

Preston laughs. "Gladly."

"Look at that, I found my mate before you did, big, older, brother." She emphasizes the end and Cristian squints his eyes at her.

(Oh boy, her and Preston together, that is a recipe for disaster... for the rest of us at least. She is just like him.)

Within the next few days, Carly moves into the packhouse with Preston. And I knew it. They are like children. They cause trouble mostly for Grant and Kayden but I like it because it makes it lively around here.

Today is the party for Layla and we are expecting many people in the packhouse.

As I'm changing Layla into her little gown I feel two arms wrap around my waist. I can smell Kayden's scent and quickly relax.

"How are my girls doing?" He says softly.

I lean into him. "Good."

He kisses my cheek. "She is such a good girl." He says looking down at Layla who is lying in the bed starting to fall asleep again.

She really is good. Kayden and I wake up only once during the night to feed her and change her and she goes right back to sleep again.

I turn around and hug him. (I love this man. He makes me so happy.) We kiss.

"Eww don't do that in front of poor Layla." We hear Preston say.

"We have to learn to lock the doors." I say to Kayden.

"What is it?" Kayden asks annoyed and Preston laughs.

"Almost everyone is here already." He says.

We head down and present Layla to all the packs and our pack members. After all the formalities, Kayden goes to make conversation while I take Layla to the elderly woman who love children. They fuss over her like she's a little doll.

Kayden's mom comes over to see Layla. She never touches her, in fact, she's never even carried her yet and I feel kind of bad. It's not because she doesn't want to but because she thinks that I won't allow her to.

I take Layla and give her to her. She looks at me surprised but her face changes to complete bliss when she carries her.

(She was never a good Luna but I know that she was a good mom to Kayden. I saw how she loved him and took care of him growing up. And he turned out to be an amazing man, no thanks to his father.)

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"Can you watch her for a bit?" I ask her.

She smiles and nods. "Of course."

I smile and walk over to Avery who is staring at someone at the distance.

"Hey, what's wrong?" I ask her but she doesn't respond.

I look over where she's looking and I see a girl from one of the other packs all over Levi and Avery does not look happy at all.

Avery takes my hand and pulls me with her. She walks over to Levi and stands in front of him. He looks at her confused.

"Your Luna needs you to take care of something." Avery says looking at him pissed.

Levi looks at me and I am wide-eyed not knowing what to say.

"What do you need?" Levi asks me.

I shake my head and stay silent.

Avery looks at the girl next to Levi. "You should leave him, he's going to take a while."

Levi raises an eyebrow and I look at her shocked.

(This is so obvious.)

Levi then looks like something clicks in his head and gives a big smile.

"So you are jealous?" He asks her.

She shakes her head. "NO! Why... Why would I... I'm not jealous, you are!"

(That makes no sense.)

He starts laughing and I pinch the bridge of my nose.

(She's making a fool of herself.)

"LEVI! YOU ARE AN IDIOT!!" She shouts looking upset.

"Yes, I am..." He says but in a swift move he grabs her and kisses her and she is shocked along with all of us.

(I didn't know that he had that in him.)

I turn around and leave them to have their moment. I leave with a big smile on my face happy that it finally happened.

I walk over to Kayden and grab him.

"I have the need for your attention." I say smiling.

He smiles back. "Anything you want my love."

We walk under one of the trees and lean on it with Kayden's arms around me, we stare at everyone. I avert my eyes and stare at him for a while without him noticing.

"Thank you." I say softly.

He looks at me surprised and smiles. "For what?"

"For everything. You fixed me when I was broken. You loved me when no one else did. You saved me."

He stands in front of me and stares at me then cups my face with his hands. "I love you, you and our little princess are my worlds."

I kiss him deeply.

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