He snickered, "I never knew how forward you were, Lily." I growled. I scowl at him, "Close your eyes, right now!" I had no choice but to stay pressed up against him so than he couldn't see anything. But I was sure as hell he could definitely feel everything. He smirks, "I will...soon." I growled at him, "You have already marked me without my permission...you will not see me naked without my saying so, either! Now stop being a His brow quirked up into an arch and said, "Yeah, but...you're the one running around my bedroom naked, flower." I grunted in annoyance. I glanced behind him and saw the towel. If he wasn't going to budge, then I will make him budge myself! I shoved him with my body and I try to shu le toward the drawers. I stumbled slightly, which in turn made him stumble also. He pressed his hand onto my back to stabilise me. My breath hitched as I felt his hand on my bare skin. Sparks radiated from my back and struck my chest like an electric strike. His jaw clenches and his eyes darken slightly. His breathing fastened as we both knew what we I noticed the towel were right next to us now. I coughed a little quickly grabbed the towel. Zeus drops his hand, looks away and lets me cover "I-I should probably get changed." I said quietly. Zeus clears his throat and scratches the back of his neck. He drops his gaze to the floor, "Yes, of course. I'll have a shower." He quickly disappears into the shower and I disappear into the closet. I sag down the wall, still gripping onto my towel. That was mortifying. I felt not only my cheeks heat up, but my whole body. I felt the deep embarrassment. But I couldn't help, but kinda laugh. Oh how I get myself into the worse situations. Like I said...bad luck. My mind whizzes back to that moment. His hand. That feeling. I felt it. The spark. The attraction. I've tried so hard to resist. But I let my guard down just for a moment...and it felt good. More than good. I wanted more of it. I felt my body had already melted into a pool. I wanted-Wait! Lily what are you doing?! Naughty Lily! Stop it! You're being silly! Stop making up fantasies in your head! STORY CONTINUES BELOW I block my mind of the most shameful moment of my entire life and yet the most exciting. I changed into a casual T-Shirt and pyjama shorts. I tied my hair into a bun as I exited the closet. Zeus was already in his bed, looking at his phone. I noticed again his small leather book. He seems to always take it everywhere. I didn't think much of it. I didn't even look at him as I went to my side of the bed. I climbed in and pulled the blanket over me. I grabbed some pillows and began to build a line between us. Zeus notices, "What are you trying to do?" He asks curiously. "I am building a boundary. If you cross this line, I have every right to stab you." I said matter-of-factly. Zeus looks at the wall for a moment and shrugs his shoulders, "Fair enough." Once there was a very defined pillow wall, I tucked deeper into my blanket and pulled my laptop over my lap. As soon as I opened my laptop a picture of my me and my family pops up. It reminded me of what I wanted to ask Zeus! "Zeus?" "Hmmm." He grumbles while looking at his phone. "I was wondering. Tomorrow night. It's a political event. Shouldn't the top pack in the human world be invited?" He stops typing and turns to me, "You mean, your family?" I hesitantly nodded, "I mean...yeah?" He was silent for a moment. He put his phone down on his lap, "Fine. But only your parents and the Alpha and Luna." I groaned, "Please, Zeus! I-" But I froze as I just processed what'd he just said, "They can come?" "Yes, it makes sense for them to come since they are technically involved in Arcanian business." I nodded my head, "Right...Of course," I tried to contain my excitement as I said, "Thank you." I snuggled down in the bed and turned over. I had the biggest smile on my face. Especially because I have not seen them...like actually seenthem for years. I just wonder what they all looked like now. Zeus turned the lamps of and bathed the both of us in total darkness. The only light we had was the moon, slightly shining through the curtains. I felt the bed shake slightly as Zeus pulls the cover over himself. I quickly glanced over my shoulder and see Zeus had turned over, leaving his back to face me. I breathed a sigh of relief. Though I felt comfortable, I was kept awake from this electric tension between us. I was so aware of his presence it was insane. I wonder if he was just as aware as I was? I wonder if he's even asleep? Is he asleep? I really wanted to turn over and look, but I knew I shouldn't. I close my eyes and took a deep breath. The only reason I am here is for my safety and that's it. Nothing else. Slowly as the minutes ticked by...I felt my nerves sag into a slumber. Throughout the night I slept okay...except for the fact Zeus that moves around every second in his sleep...like a lot. I was sleeping peacefully on my side of the bed when suddenly I get kicked o ...literally. "What the! Hey! You can't-" I stand and see Zeus was still fast asleep. Oh no...he may be bossy and broodish. He get's what he wants...but not this! He will not steal my sleep from me! That is something I will not budge on! I crawl back on the bed and build the pillow fortress again. Not that it will do anything, but it will make me feel better. Once done, I snuggled back into bed and closed my eyes with a content smile. That was before Zeus's freaking elbows my back. I growl and turn over. He was sprawled everywhere on the bed. I get why it was so massive now. He moves like he's freaking awake! I kicked him in the butt...a very firm butt at that, my foot literally bounced o. All he does is groans and that's it! I try go back to sleep, but it became hard to when Zeus rolls over...on top of me...literally. At first I was really annoyed...that was until I had a close up

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Zeus said he was going to be late tonight and to not hold up. Not that I was even going to! So I decided to have a nice hot shower. His bathroom was massive! It was the size of my lounge! The shower was the size of my

bathroom! It was the most extravagant bathroom I had ever been naked it.

everywhere...like...everywhere that needed to be shaven. I exfoliated and I had a face mask on in the shower for a while. It felt amazing. I le a hair mask in as well. I did the whole shabing shabang. A er I was completely clean I

I groan when I realised that I forgot it. I rolled my eyes at myself because of course this would happen to me. Of course! Because I have the worst luck in

Zeus he was going to be late. And I haven't heard anyone come in for a while. It should be okay, right? He leaves his towel on top of the drawers. I'll just

Okay Lily. You can do this. Get ready. I had my hand on the door knob. Get set. I twisted the knob. Go! I open the door and run out, but to my utter shock, I slam into a chest. A very particular chest that I hoped to avoid this

I look up with my eyes wide and mouth open in total and utter mortification. Zeus looks down at me and I could see it...he was stunned that I ran out of

How am I going to get it? Oh Lily...why do you get yourself into these situations! I seriously have the worst luck. I literally do. I mean like, a lot of people fall through some frozen lake or river. The worst they'd get was a cold. Me? I go blind for fi een years. If that isn't bad luck...I don't know what is.

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I decided to take a little longer and pamper myself. I shaved

stepped out of the shower. I looked around for my towel.

quickly run in and cover myself. Easy!

whole time.

the bathroom...butt naked.

view of his defined chest and abs. I mouth to myself, "Holy shit." I don't usually curse...but seeing a body like that...there is no other way to express what I was feeling.

I groaned as I shoved him o.

freaking foot!"

"Will you stop moving around!" He snaps up and growls at me.

Ugh! "Just stay on your side of the bed!" I hissed at him quietly.

when I felt the blankets slowly being pulled from me. That is it!

"Stop taking the blankets!" I growled at him as I try to pull it away.

I roll my eyes and roll over, pulling the blanket to my side more, "Selfish."

There was a couple of seconds of no response. I smile and snuggle deeper

I began to blush and say, "Good night." Oh my gosh...what is wrong with me?

squinted my eyes open and groan as I stretched. I was lying on my stomach. I turned my head the other way and I was fully awake from what I saw. Zeus too was on his stomach, but facing me. My sleepy haze was gone and I froze when I saw our hands held each other in the middle of the pillow wall. Our fingers were tightly interlaced. Crap! We must have done it in our sleep. Well

As I looked at him...his face was void of all anger or coldness. He looked so peaceful. I could almost see what he would have been like when he wasn't so

I nervously withdrew my hand from his. His brows pulled together into a frown. I climb out of bed and went into the shower. I loved the feeling of the hot water. Once I felt awake and ready for the day, I actually brought a towel with me this time. I dried myself and changed. I walked out of the bathroom

I was surprised at myself when I felt a slight bit of disappointment at the

I yelped and turned around to see Zeus come in the room wearing loose basketball shorts with a wife-beater shirt and earphones hanging around his

I gulped and nodded my head. He walked past me while taking his shirt o . I couldn't help, but steal a glance. His back was so broad, each muscle

deliciously defined. His shoulders were big and-I shook my head. Stop it Lily!

Though it was early in the morning. The maids were all busy. People were polishing, moping, tidying, decorating etc. They were going all out. I felt bad

I walked into the ballroom and saw people on ladders hanging up flower arrangement decorations. Lights and witches spelling the roof to make it

I saw a woman standing there telling everyone what to do. She was

She turns to me with wide eyes as they looked tired, "Oh hello there. You

She quickly bows her head, "Oh! Lily!" She raises her head, "You must be

"Perhaps I could help. I'm free. I'd be happy to help." I o ered.

"Thank you so much!" She exclaimed happily, "My name is Louis," She extends her hand and I shake it kindly, "I need to go see how the food is doing. Would you mind try to tell everyone here where to put decorations.

I smile and nodded my head, "Don't worry, Louis. I'll take care of it. I'm sure

Her smile was filled with gratitude as she quickly walks away while beginning to talk to someone on the phone. I turn around and smiled at everybody.

I made sure everything was perfect before I le the ballroom. I made sure everyone had a few minutes break every hour so than they wouldn't drain themselves. It was actually pretty cool getting to meet a lot of the sta here. I

I hadn't seen the boys or Zeus all day. I assume they had things to do to prepare for tonight. As I walking back to the bedroom, I lost my balance for just a moment when I had slight dizzy spell. I shook it o and continued on,

I went to my own bedroom this time. I wanted to get ready by myself. As soon

I smiled and shook my head. Of course he would be the one to tell me what to wear. I opened the box and I gasped in shock. The dress was stunning. I pulled it out and my shock only grew as I saw more of the dress. It literally was a princess dress! It was a strapless heart shaped green gown. It literally had a poofy skirt and a corset and everything! Small Diamonds shaped in flowers embroidered the corset. I felt so inadequate to wear such a beautiful

But other thoughts were invading my mind also...how would Zeus like it? I was annoyed at myself for even thinking that because I didn't want to care

I took a deep breath and I shook my head. You know what? Screw it! I am going to wear this dress. I don't care. I smiled to myself. I want to feel like a freaking queen just for one night. I've been blind for fi een freaking years! I deserve to look and feel beautiful. I grab all of my things and head to the

I had my robe on and my hair was up in roles. I had just finished blow-drying

I have done my foundation and contour. I le the eyes for last. My eyes were a bright blue, I wanted them to stand out. So I decided to do a smokey eyes, but with a twist. I would add a slight bit of green to it. I put on my fake lashes because...well...it's a ball! I decided to put on a pinky nude colour. I didn't

I lets the rolls in my hair out and I lightly run my fingers through the curls to separate them. I used the bobby pins to hold my hair up in a fancy bun. I then

I gulped and looked at myself. Well crap...I look freaking amazing. I laughed

I turn toward the bed and saw heels awaiting for my feet. I smiled as I put them on. A knock sounded at the door as I finally tied the last strap on my

"Sozin and Donny! Zeus told us to escort you when you were ready!"

wide eyed with their mouths open as well.

I winced, "Do I look that bad?"

mouths still gaped open.

like a guppy fish.'"

o ended by that.

"Not allowed?"

didn't."

halls away?"

celebrate."

"Holy shit," Sozin mumbled in a state of shock.

Donny winks at me, "The dress is nice, right?"

"Yeah! Where did you even get this?"

"His loss," Donny said cheekily.

As I opened the door I brushed my hand over the pu y dress, "Hey do you guys think-" I raised my head and saw both Sozin and Donny standing there

Both of them shook their head immediately, "No!" They both shouted. Their

I roll my eyes, "In the words of my Grandmother, 'close your mouth, you look

"Lily...I mean...I knew you were hot...but I never knew that you could be this

I stepped out of the room and closed my doors. Both the boys looked at me apologetically, "We would o er our arms to you, but we're not allowed."

Sozin chuckles, "He's ordered us not touch you as we escort you to the ball."

Are you kidding me? I hold my shoulders back and head high, "If he didn't want anyone to touch me then he should've escorted me himself. But he

I smirk, "Exactly. Gentlemen shall we depart for the ball that is only a few

Both the guys look at each other and smirked. They turned around and

o ered both of their arms for me. I smiled as I took them.

expect exactly. A whole room filled with Alphas and Lunas.

heart was moved. I knew that he was being serious.

to mix things up a bit." Sozin commented.

Donny said encouragingly.

"If we get killed...I'm gonna blame you," Donny whispers to me.

I smiled and shook my head, "If you guys get killed I'll make sure to

As they guided me, I began to feel a little nervous. I didn't know what to

"Deep breaths," I heard Sozin say gently, "No need to be nervous, Lily," He looks down at me and smile. His eyes so en a little, "You look beautiful." My

"By the way, I saw the ballroom. You did a really good job. It looks great!"

wasn't too used to being complimented by them. It felt nice though.

"Thanks, I thought we should have something dierent," I said shyly. I guess I

"It's a good idea. We've had the same ball arrangements for a while. It's good

We entered the ballroom and my eyes widened at the amount of people there were. So many Alphas and Lunas. As well as people of from the Arcanus Council. I took a deep breath as we continued to walk in. My grips on the buys arms tightened slightly as I began to get anxiety. However, I felt

comforted when they both placed their hands over my own.

I looked at the whole set up and I was proud of myself. The flower

thought it would be more pretty of it were diamond snow flakes.

"That's a lot of people," I said as I took a deep breathes.

and head high, you're the queen for the night Lil. Enjoy it."

because they believed in me...I felt it. I felt strong.

together.

people.

girl."

except me.

see them grow.

She almost yells.

intensity of his stare.

boyfriend Ryan?!

"Why the hellis Ryan here?!"

back together aren't you?"

then go back to Ryan?"

know who my mate is?"

Xavier shook his head.

here!"

together."

that...do that at home."

He sighed, "Look I just-"

I nodded my head tiredly, "Yes!"

Xavier nods his head, "Fine. We'll do it at home."

we can at home?"

arrangements were made into beautiful vines of white roses. Dangling down from the high ceiling. The roof was bewtiched to look like the night sky. They wanted to make the diamonds float around the vines of roses, however I

"Don't let them intimidate you," Sozin said, "Remember, you're Zeus's mate. You're his equal and he's the most powerful out of all of us. Shoulders back

I listened to Sozin's words. And they inspired me. I mean I am a queen all the time...but tonight, I get to show it o . I've always been treated like I'm made out of glass and in turn, I acted like I was made out of glass too, like I was weak. But here. The guys treat me like I'm one of them, that I am strong...and

"Hello Ladies and Gentlemen." I looked up ahead on the top of the balcony where the stairs lead up to. Zeus was standing there with a wine glass in his hand, "Thank you all for coming to our annual ball. We hope as a result, there will be many good memories as well as friendships being made tonight. I hope you all enjoy the drinks and food," Zeus raises his glass and said, "May all be blessed on this fine evening, cheers." Everyone who had a glass raised their drink and took a sip. Everyone went back to mingling and laughing

Sozin and Donny went around, introducing me to all of the Alphas and Lunas of dierent packs. I felt this thought itching at the back of my mind. I felt like Zeus should be the one to guide me around the room introducing me to

"Lily?" I heard a familiar voice that made my wolf jump around inside of me.

My head whips to my right and I broke out in an excited smile. My family. I

"If you need anything or feel uncomfortable just come to one of us," Sozin

I was shocked to literally see the wholefamily. Even my cousins were here...I didn't even know that they were invited! I snickered to myself, knowing them

looked up at the boys and they gently stepped away.

"Thank you," I said them both. I gave them a kiss on the cheek.

said to me. I nodded my head before quickly walking to my family.

they probably invited themselves. I laughed in happiness as I saw my

"Oh I have my baby again!" My mother laughs, she cups my face as tears glistened in her eyes, "You looks absolutely stunning, my dear. I am so proud of you." I felt my own eyes sting of tears. Ugh! I can't handle it when my

My father steps in and gives me a big hug, "I'm so happy you're okay, Lil."

He kissed my forehead and said in a shaky voice, "I missed you too, Baby

My mother stared at me curiously for a minute and then her eyes widened,

Oh yeah...I totally forgot about that, "Yeah," I said nervously, "Arcanus is very di erent," I explained to my parents, "They have many di erent species and sorcery here...and for some reason...my eyes seems to respond to them."

I roll my eyes when I face my big cousin, Xavier. I squealed as I lunged into his

I laughed and turned to my little sister, "Come here, Genevieve." She smiles and gives me a giant hug! For an eighteen year old she was strong. She looked like me except with black hair. Everyone in my family had dark hair

I went around and hugged everybody. I saw Uncle Xander and Aunt Lizzy their kids Xavier and his two little sisters Penelope and Nina, Uncle Noah and Aunt Mia along with their kids Kieth, Tommy and their new born baby girl named Sophie. And last but not least, Uncle Soul and Aunt Ayla with their kids Milo and his little sister Valentina. Ayla was also expecting another pup. I

was so happy to see them all. Literally. They looked the exact same.

But that's okay. I get to see them now and that's all that counts.

crowd. All of them talking to other Alphas and Lunas.

I giggled, "Stop it, Gen! They can hear you!"

Seriously...they haven't changed at all. They might look the tiniest bit older,

I think what surprised me the most were the older boys: Xavier, Kieth and Milo. They've grown a lot! Like...they're huge. Probably bigger than their dads, but I'm sure they're proud. It made me a little sad to think I couldn't

My father and mother along with my uncles and aunties dispersed in the

My little sister came to me in her beautiful gown and said, "There are so many hot males everywhere I can't handle it," She tried to say subtly.

She laughs, "I hope they do, then they'll know I am single and ready to mingle! I'm serious, Lil! How can you even contain yourself! Oh wait that's right, you have a mate. But let me tell you. Your mate is freaking gorgeous!"

"Shut up!" I said through my teeth, "He's a freaking HellHound!"

She rolls her eyes, "It doesn't mean he has hella hearing? Get it!"

"But Lil. Your mate is like divine. I've never seen anyone so good looking in my entire life...it's shocking. Like I bet the moon goddess was like, 'a pinch of danger, a pinch of personality, a pinch of good looks-oh shit! I poured the whole bottle of good looks inside the freaking womb that gave birth to

I zoned my sisters little rant out as I scanned the area. My eyes immediately found Zeus because...well he's Zeus. My heart raced slightly when I saw him in a tux. His black hair slicked back while his glowing green eyes still shine as

He was talking seriously with some Alpha. He glanced my way for only a moment and he did a double take. His eyes locked onto mine. His gaze travelled down my body and back up to my face. I gulped as I felt the

"Oh my gosh," I said as I pinched the bridge of my nose.

perfection...you know? Like I always thought that..."

bright as ever. Well...Christmas came early for me, didn't it.

"Lily?" And my moment was dead as soon as I heard that voice.

Guilt was in his eyes as he smiled nervously down at me, "Hey?"

blue eyes. He was cute, but...I wasn't into cute.

I was totally and utterly at loss of words when I saw Ryan! As in my ex

"Ryan?!" I said bewildered. So this is what he looked like. He had blonde hair,

"What are you doing here?" I asked totally confused. I turned and saw Xavier was right behind me, I grabbed his expensive suit and pulled him near me,

Xavier looked confused as he answered, "What do you mean? You guys are

Xavier nods toward Ryan, "He said you guys have been in contact and sorted stu out. He said that you were only here to help your mate, reject him and

That freaking liar, "He lied! We are not back together at all! Does he even

I groan as I felt a head ache coming on, "I can't believe he's even here, in Arcanus Hardly anyone knew this place existed! How could he even be

Xavier rubs my back comfortingly, "Alright so he lied, " He steps around me

Xavier steps back closer, "We're beating up Ryan. He lied. They're not back

Genevieve steps in and sco s with her arms crossed over her chest, "Excuse me? I want to beat his ass too? Why am I too young to come? I'm old enough

Xavier growls at them, "Everyone shut up! It's just us older three. Come on,

All three of them stood there in thought. Xavier tilts his head to the side, "So

I sighed in relief as they walked o and began to socialise once again. I walked to Ryan and said, "You need to leave." I growled at him.

"This is an invite only ball. You were not invited, Ryan." I said firmly.

wasn't ready to take on all your blind stu . But I am now!"

"No, Ryan. Just stop. Go home. I don't want you here."

and confessions of love...I couldn't myself.

to fall for a pretty face either.

split second did I consider it.

hand on my back.

"You alright, Lil?" Sozin appears at my side.

Ryan takes a step back and glares at them, "She's fine."

Sozin smirks but with no drip of humour at all.

nothing compared to Sozin and Donny.

was actually being overly annoying.

Donny and Sozin both smirk at my ex.

his eyes widen in pure terror.

Ryan gulps, "I'm Lily's boyfriend."

arm around my waist, pulling me close to him.

"Lily, is this your boyfriend?" Zeus asks firmly.

away from the guy who broke my heart.

closed over mine with the up most care.

"What?" I exclaimed.

word: acting.

ground.

I reply quietly, "No."

I'm asked properly."

me?"

"Z-Zeus?"

My eyes widen, "What?"

anything, Have they?"

mate."

He grabs a hold of my hands and said, "Please, Lily. I was an asshole, okay? I

I shook my head, "No, Ryan. What you did hurt me. We were together for a longtime. You had convinced me that we would be mates in the future! But then you dumped me and went on a European tour with Alexa! Your Ex!"

Ryan rubs his eyes stressfully, "I know I know! And that was an asshole move,

I could see he began to get frustrated, "But we fit perfectly together! Come back and be with me! I will provide for you and I will love you. Your mate doesn't even want you! He doesn't even care about you! Why stay?"

I gulped. I opened my mouth to say something snarky back. But I realised he was kinda right. Zeus didn't want me. And I don't think he cares for me.

As he stepped near me, I felt my body respond a little bit. The farthest we had

I cleared my throat and took a step back. I would be fooling myself to think he wasn't attractive. I mean, this was the first time to ever see him. He was cute and hot and all that. But I knew better. I fell for his voice...I'm not going

Ryan took a step forward, I jumped slightly when I felt his hand on my hips, he raises his hand and tucked a hair behind me ear. A flash of a memory came to mind, it was of Zeus whenever he tucked my hair behind my ear.

"Come on, Lily. Give me a chance. I can make you happy...make you feel wanted." I wasn't going to accept such an o er. But for second...only for a

"We just came to check on you." Donny appears on my other side and has his

Donny said in a not very nice voice, "We were asking our sister...not you."

I could see Ryan sizing both of them up. Ryan was a big guy...but he was

Sozin chuckles, "None of us are...but trust me, you don't want to meet her

Ryan says over-confidantly, "What is he? An Alpha? I can take him, trust me," Ryan turns to me and winks as if he was acting all over-protective when he

Donny laughs, "An Alpha?" He continues to laugh, "Oh buddy, you are too confidant for your own good. Obviously no one has informed you about

"You're in my way, boy." Zeus growled lowly. Ryan gulped and turned around,

He just stares down at Ryan as if he was nothing, "Who are you?" He asks.

Zeus snickers, showing o his wolfish fangs, "Funny...because I'm her mate."

All the blood drains from Ryan's face. He was trying act like a badass, key

Ryan stepped aside like a little puppy. Zeus came to my side and wraps his

"Wait Lily!" I close my eyes as I hear Ryan say my name. He looks at me pleading me, "Please...I love you.." I love you...the most overused and

manipulative words ever. I remember the times he would say I love you. Even when he broke up with me he said it. All of our good memories flash into my mind. I felt a slight pang of hurt. I flinch at his words. I look down to the

"That's what I thought." Zeus presses firmly against my waist and ushers me

I raise my head and my breath hitched as his green eyes poured into my own. All thoughts of Ryan vanished as I felt completely Enchanted by his presence.

"Do you dance?" He asks with a familiar reflection in his eyes. This did feel... 👌

I felt my lips slowly tug into a small grin as I said mischievously, "Only when

Zeus's eyes stared at me a little longer than normal before replying with a challenging smirk, "Lily Crowe of the Blood Moon Pack, Will you dance with

The tugging pulled with more force and I felt my smile as I place my small hand into his large calloused one. He never broke eye contact as his hand

Suddenly a tall and broad figure appeared behind Ryan.

"Which one of you are her mate, I'll challenge him here and now."

gone was just making out. He wanted to go further but I didn't.

I shook my head, "That's not the point! You hurt me, Ryan!" The more I looked at him the more I was reminded of our time together. I liked him a lot. We were High School sweethearts. He promised me that he thought we were going to be mates. He said he would love me and cherish me forever. And I was stupid enough to believe it. I was scared that no one would want me because of my disability, so when Ryan started to make these big promises

Suddenly all three of my cousins started to slowly move toward Ryan. I quickly went in front of them and held my hands up, "Just wait a minute here and let me speak! This is a very important event! There are a lot of powerful people here. You can't just go an start beating someone. If you want to do

I grab Xavier's arm before he did anything, "No don't! There's-"

"Who are you beating up?" Kieth came in as well as Milo.

"Wait can I come?" Tommy came in, Kieth's little brother.

Kieth rolled his eyes, "No, Tommy you're too young. You stay with

to have a mate so I should be able to come and at least slap him."

"Are we beating up someone?" Milo asks excitedly.

and said, "Wait here, while I go beat the asshole."

"Why would you even thinkthat?" I said in a low and harsh whisper.

parents. I leapt into their arms and they embraced me tightly.

mother cried. Because when she cries then I cry!

I hold onto my father tightly and said, "I missed you, Papa."

"Hold on a minute," My mother said, "You can see us?"

"I always knew you were a freak of nature."

"What about me?!" I heard a higher voice.

but other than that, the exact same.

arms and gave him a giant embrace. I was so happy.

"Mom! Dad!" I shouted in joy.

hot." Sozin said as his eyes roamed up and down my whole dress.

Donny casually shrugs, "There's lot of old stullying around."

Donny rolls his eyes, "It's just Zeus being a psycho again."

"Thank you?" I said in hesitation. I wasn't sure if I should feel good or

them and spraying them. Now I am leaving them to set while I do my

want my lips to be too dramatic since...everything else was!

as I twirled. I never thought I could look this beautiful! But I did!

what he thinks...but a part of me does. Would he find me beautiful?

as I entered, I saw a white box on my bed. A note was there.

Zeus had only just informed me that he wanted a totally di erent arrangement for the ball. I have no idea what he would want!"

I quickly went out of the room before I fell into another trance.

The sun rising, the light streaming through the curtains woke up me. I

"Whatever...G'night." He grumbles. Even though he sounded

grumpy...hearing him say still made me kinda happy.

do I just let go? Ugh why did I do this in my sleep?

He rolls his tired eyes, "Stop being dramatic."

"Stop being annoying," He says in his pillow.

"clumsy." He snaps back.

"Prude!" He shouts back

into my pillow and blanket. I win!

Wait.. What is wrong with us?

brooding all the time.

to see Zeus already gone.

sight of the empty bed.

for them.

are?"

look like a night sky.

scratching her head as if were stressed.

I smile politely, "My name is, Lily."

"Yes. Are you managing the ball?"

She smiles tiredly, "Yes. It's a lot of work."

you have other important things to attend to."

"Hello, everyone. Let's get to work."

felt more settled.

not thinking much of it.

-Donny

makeup.

heels.

"Who is it?"

Something to wear for tonight?

gown. This kind of dress was fit for a queen!

shower. It's time to beautify myself.

put on some diamond studs.

Zeus's mate, correct?"

I decided to approach her, "Hello?" I said.

"Good. You're done with the bathroom."

neck. He must have been training.

"Creep!" I yell back.

"Arrogant."

My mouth opens wide. You're kidding me, "Me? Me I'm the one moving around? I was having a peaceful sleep before I flew o the bed from your

He grabs the blanket and turns over on his side of the bed. I grab the blanket and yank as I too turned over the opposite way. I was almost asleep again