Venturing: Getting Them

We had arrived onto an unknown building where it was told that the teenagers had escaped from here. How many and how did they escape was beyond our intelligence which was why Yang had told us to arrive and group up upon here. As I stared upon the door in front of me, tilting my head to one side in ponderance of how they managed to escape or, first of all, get themselves inside through the front doors, I heard someone called my name and quickly I turned around. Already spotting Kyro and Natty whom were the first to arrive, other than myself of course. I smiled upon their arrival, neither of them said anything except for a smile plastered upon their faces therein. With Kyro taking a step to my line, his attention was turned to the door at front before shifting his attention towards me and asked, “Do you know how to get the door opened?” “Is it locked?” Natty responded with her own question, fixing her gaze towards the door then towards me which I nodded my head, frowning.

With the following short silence looming above us, I responded to the pair “It had been locked since I had arrived.” “I wonder if it was opened when the teenagers had decided this was the best time to trespassed into a building.” Natty questioned which Kyro growled lowly at her; she stopped her thoughts momentarily. Turned her attention to Kyro and smiled responding at him. I just rolled my eyes and exhaled a breath in disbelief of what was I seeing however. But I know I cannot let that get to me however. Changing the subject before it gets weirded out, I asked the pair about the others arriving then after which Kyro immediately responded to me as he turned towards me in silence, “The others will arrive quite soon I do believe.” “Are they just preparing themselves?” “For the time being.” “Great.” I answered with an exhaled breath before turning around and faced the pair of doors in front of us.

“Anyway, lets get things started. We are a bit behind schedule after all.” I started, calling out towards the two as they nodded acknowledging it before tailing me from behind. I led the way straight towards the pair of doors in front of us which I grabbed onto the handle tightly and pulled towards me. The door that had the handle attached to it was forcefully opened with a loud whine emerging upon the following silence that had came. We were allowed in which both Natty and Kyro take advantage of and darted through the pair of doors. Entering into the pitch darkness that awaits for us inside. I tailed behind them. Closing the door behind me.

The first thing I had noticed was how dark the entire place was. There was no light switch on either side of me and Kyro unfortunately which meant that we were to walk through the pitch darkness therein. The good news was that we were facing a short hallway, for I see something on the other side. A door or something with light seeping out from it however. With Natty exclaiming about the well lit door and raising her claw as she does so, she and Kyro became excited for whatever reason and started running through the hallway like hatchlings. Racing each other as they had arrived upon the other side very quickly and left me behind. I exclaimed to them, but refused to voice out. Instead, I just shook my head and frowned, still tailing behind them as my head faced upon the walls on either side of me. Pondering as to what was there however.

The hallway was short and sweet that in no time I had arrived upon the other side of the hallway very quickly. But my head was not turned to the well lit door before me, instead it was towards one part of the wall over onto the right of me nearest to the end of the hallway however. Before either Kyro or Natty could arrived straight through the well lit door before them, I grabbed onto their shoulders and stopped them immediately. Of which they turned around facing me with curiosity upon their faces. I immediately pointed towards the left side of the darkened wall; pointing onto something blue that was just sticking out of the darkness. Exposing itself for anyone to see. Upon which both dragons tilted their heads upon noticing the blue thingy and stepped closer towards it as I walked alongside of them. For about some time was when we had arrived upon the left side of the hallway towards the wall that was in front of us and the blue thing sticking out in the darkness.

As it turns out, it was just a blue wire. It was not live, so it never shocked Kyro at all however. Natty frowned before voicing her reason towards us two which we turned towards her just as she had spoke, “Thank goodness it was not live. I would have myself a fried Kyro if it were.” “But what was it here? Where was it attached to?” I questioned after her which Kyro pointed towards the wall. Onto closer expectation, I had noticed that the blue wire was attached onto a square box. That square box had nine buttons upon its surface; an blank black LCD above them. A long thing rod attached to the very top of the box. “Oh.” I answered, more like a comment however which Kyro grabbed onto the blue wire and immediately attached it back onto the black surface underneath the box. In an instant, the box LCD reappeared. Three numbers were attached to it. One, three and zero. “1:30.” I voiced, “This must be a bomber for the teenagers.” Responded Natty, although it was more like a comment than a suggestion while both me and Kyro turned towards her.

She found herself shrugging back in response to us before all three of us backed away from the box suddenly. I and Kyro immediately turned to face Natty before commenting through the short silence surrounding us, “If that was a bomb. Then how were anyone of them were able to defuse it? Was one of them a bomb expert or hobbyist or something?” “If that were to be the case: would we not get an significant event here in Vaster yet?” Responded Kyro as his eyes shift towards me, I nodded in response to him while Natty spoke out her mind “We would not.” We turned to her and she rose her paw as she spoke, “There is a reason behind them. Neither of the teenagers wanted to die this quickly. So one of them would stay back and defuse the bomb as best they can.” “First they would have to relocate it where.” Kyro said, Natty nodded “No one would had figured out that it would be on the bottom floor; hence why the timer is 1:30.” “Everyone must be on the top.” “Not just the top.” I interrupted them both as they turned to me, “They are at the middle ground. The second floor. It must be complex if it takes them this long to find that box.” I say, explaining.

“Otherwise, if the time was set to like two minutes or three. Surely they would be able to find their way out of the building and get home safely.” “But they never did.” Commented Kyro as he faced me then towards Natty who silently nodded her head. A long silence fell above us before it was shattered by me which I spoke while growling at the two of them, “Come on then. If what I said was correct. Surely that would give them enough time to escape.” “But knowing they are teenagers, they must have fooled around some.” Commented Natty as Kyro tailed me from behind. Natty followed too as we returned to the base of the stairs, climbing up into the second floor above.

By the time we had arrived onto the floor above us, we were a bit surprise upon seeing how messy the floor was. There were books and papers and other things scattered across the flooring. All the doors were opened suddenly, revealing whatever was there for us. I stared at the flooring for a moment while Kyro and Natty takes the doors on either side of them. Disappearing before me, I take the time to step forward and grabbed onto one of the papers therein. Raised it a short distance up towards my face and read the contents that were upon. I was a bit surprise into seeing about a portal device made and developed here that it did raised some suspicious about this connection with the missing teenagers that were gone, faded from existence. I frowned before shaking my head; raising my head glancing to the ceiling above me while Kyro and Natty popped into the hallway only to enter onto the next door after.

To pass the time, I had decided to check the other papers on the floor. The discoveries were a bit tad dull and a bit interesting on the flipside however. With plans such as electric chairs, tall buildings that would reach the skies and even a sparkling fireworks, I can tell that this building was more than what we had known. ‘Its more like an experiment room. Scientist used to stay here and experiment on things.’ I thought to myself, arriving onto the conclusion while I hear a voice called out from my right side. For immediately, I rose to my feet and ran towards the second door onto my right side. Entering in. Where I had saw Natty standing in front of the white desk before her; her back was towards me. Yet it had seems that her wings were a bit opened at the time being. I called out towards her, she turned around upon my call. A big grin appeared upon her face which she raised her claw high for me to see whatever was she holding at the time.

A blue electric torch. There was even a white label attached to the silvery rod of the torch too. However it was a bit hard to read what it contains. Disregarding that for the meantime, I spoke to Natty just as I rose my eyes up towards her “Where did you get that?” “From the surface of the white desk in front of me.” She declared, pointing to the white desk behind her. I find myself tilting my head to one side in question while walking up towards her. Gently pushing her to the side; I stared upon the white desk in front of me. There, I had noticed a white piece of paper upon the surface of the desk. Words were there imprinted in a sloppy looked which did tell me that it was indeed teenagers. For with a small smile, I spoke towards Natty “Keep that ‘torch’ with you. We might be able to find its usefulness however.” “Where do you think it goes into?” Questioned Natty, something that I immediately shook my head for I had no answer for her. I turned immediately around and faced her just as she walked out of the door and left me be. With an exhale sigh, I followed her behind. Reappearing back upon the hallway where Kyro regroup with us suddenly.

“I found these in one of the rooms.” He started, unfurling his claws exposing whatever was upon his claws as me and Natty turned towards him and lowered our heads, gazing at his paws. I had noticed two dragon scales upon his claws; scarlet and ruby. Immediately I had remembered somewhere that a red dragon was created fifteen years ago at this very town. Long before our story was ever created and Natty was still a bully back then. Reminiscing about the event, had me returned into my mind about the past lives I had with Yang as hatchlings. But that dream was short lived when Kyro called me out that I snapped into focus and upon the reality, turning back towards Kyro who nearly laughed to himself. Though he cannot hold back the smile plastered upon his lips. “These two scales remind you of something?” “back then.” I responded immediately, a smile mirrored him which Kyro laughed for a while then shaked his head before closing his claws and called out towards his mate.

If I had remembered, those two dragon scales were indeed from a red dragon from a certain realm back then. I had recalled about its scales. Knowing full claw that it was a male dragon after all, considering that all male dragons had indeed lived onto that realm in the past. But all of that information had me returned to that portal that we had just saw before this story. Into another building where we were looking for a culprit that had stolen some goods and entered into such said building where the ‘dragon realms’ were upon. I pondered about its connection briefly before Kyro’s words snapped me back into reality again. Something that I shook my head with surprise written onto my face while I lifted up my head to the horizon before me, quickly noticing that both said dragons were already upon the other side of the halls and in front of some door. Their attention was towards me just as I jogged on after them. Catching up.

“What seems to be the problem?” I questioned, Kyro jabbed his thumb forward. Towards the door in front of us. I turned to follow his stab, acknowledging the door in front of me. I take a step forward and leaned in close to the door for an closure examination. I had noticed how the door was unique compared to the previous doors that I had known before hand in the passed however. Compared to the previous doors, this door had a wheel in front of me. Two white arrows were pointing on either side of the wheel, curved to tell us to ‘turned it’. Something that I relay towards Kyro and Natty. Both of them nodded, acknowledging the order and stepped forward immediately. Grabbing the edges of the wheels with their claws, they turned the wheel clockwise which a click echoed upon our ears. The door opened before our eyes.

For revealed to be upon the other side of the door was an opened room. Small it was. Yet messy however with the same kinds of papers and books on the floor just as the flooring of the hallway behind us. In front of us, leaning against the white wall was a white desk. Two buttons were surfaced onto that desk. Both of which were on an even part from one another. I motioned to Kyro and Natty to tail me, they nodded their heads again and followed while I walked forward. Taking steps before entering into the room fully. Where the door shut behind us and something of a loud hummed filled our ears upon the short filled silences therein, we turned our attention towards the white desk in front of us where immediately, Kyro and Natty take steps to line up with me.

Two black labels were attached to the two buttons. Both reading ‘yes’ and ‘no’. They attached themselves onto the buttons below themselves just as they had glowed their respective colors however. As I find myself staring onto the two buttons in silence, something clicked into my mind. For something about the buttons had reminded me about something however. For quickly I turned towards Kyro and split my mouth to talk to him about something. Yet it seems that he already acknowledged it based upon what he had saw upon the buttons in front of us. That he stepped forward before them; placing the dragon scales below the buttons in their respective color. The scales glowed same as the buttons; the humming grew louder in response as a white bright light shines upon the room we were in and we disappeared from the room.

We found ourselves inside the desert where the brown grounds stretches to the horizon and perhaps beyond. The moon hangs above us with no stars therein however. The cool temperatures washed over our scales, making Kyro shivered suddenly as his eyes were closed. Natty went to comfort him. I turned my attention towards the desert in front of us. Scanned around upon our surroundings, but realized that the brown ground was everywhere however. With nothing to see here and perhaps our objective failing already, I hanged my head and wings and frowned wondering if this was it already for us. But Natty saw this and grabbed onto my shoulder, patting it while I turned towards her. She gave off a warm smile upon her face; I nodded my head at her before raising my head back upon the horizon with my straighten body. Wings unfurling behind me while I growled towards Kyro who nodded his head; knowing what we had in planned. So as our wings were spread out, we take towards the desert skies and flew quickly westward, for that was the only direction we think that the teenagers had gone themselves upon.

It was a few hours before we had noticed something nearby. That same white desk that we had saw beforehand back upon that small room within the hallway therein. Natty and Kyro seem to have noticed it too and tucked in their wings, diving downward towards the brown grounds below them with me tailing behind them. As we all landed upon the grounds, Kyro immediately brought out the two scales and placed them upon the surface of the white desk in front of us. Yet nothing had happened at all however which was a surprise for us. As I find myself blinking, perplexed upon the solution not being right, I turned towards Natty whom was crouching down for some reason. Her head was facing upon three square features that the desk had to offer and she grabbed onto the silvery handles there. Pulled them up, revealing whatever was inside. In one of those drawers was a written white note that we had saw earlier on during our exploration upon the building, Natty gave the note to Kyro who burned it with his torch again. The scales glowed again which me and Natty take noticed of.

Watching as the scales glowed in synced pulsing for a moment before a pair of black arrows pointed the way forward. We rose our heads high towards the horizon, noticing the brown grounds before us once more and we take towards the skies after Kyro had snatched the two scales again from the surface of the desk. We flew for a long duration that our wings were gradually getting weaker and aching all of the suddenly; as I flinched upon the pain at my wing jolt; Natty exclaimed despite hissing through her own pain within the wings, “There is the opened door.” “Theres are the… hatchlings?” Questioned Kyro just as we had dropped onto the grounds, folding our wings while we stared upon the discovery befallen upon our very eyes.

“Why are there hatchlings here?” I questioned, glancing to Natty who shrugged and frowned following afterwards, glancing her eyes upon the hatchlings for a moment before shaking her head and spoke “Are they what we are looking for?” “No.” Responded both me and Kyro, shaking our heads for emphasis. Upon Natty’s exhale of a sigh and closing her eyes, we take off into the skies once again with the glowing stones still pulsing in Kyro’s paws, the black arrows still pointing southward for some strange reason.