

Weapons of Starlight:

A Dreamvale Story by
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Book One: The
Intergalactic Crisis
CERTIFIED DREAMVALE

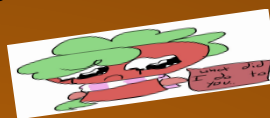
Name: Solstrobe Flarium Nebulite

Age: 12.5 billion years (Star Age), 330+ (Human Age)

Species: Star x Galaxia Guardian

Gender: Male

Home Planet: The Cosmos



Twisted Sprout was here :p



Personality Traits

- Kind
- Courageous
- Brave
- Determined
- Intelligent
- Loyal

Abilities

- Can create anything using stardust
- Can revive the dead/take away life forces from anyone
- Immortality

Moral Alignment

Neutral-Good

Dream(s)

To unite the Cosmos and live as one

Fear(s)

[Sol has no fears yet]

Backstory: I was born from the stardust and the blood of my parents. As soon as I had turned the age of 5 billion years, my family suddenly disappeared without a trace. The only one who was standing by my side was my older brother, Flare. I haven't seen him since he said that he was going on a mission to someplace that I can't know. It was even worse when he said he's going alone. I'm concerned about my family. I hope they aren't injured.

The Soulfame Nebula

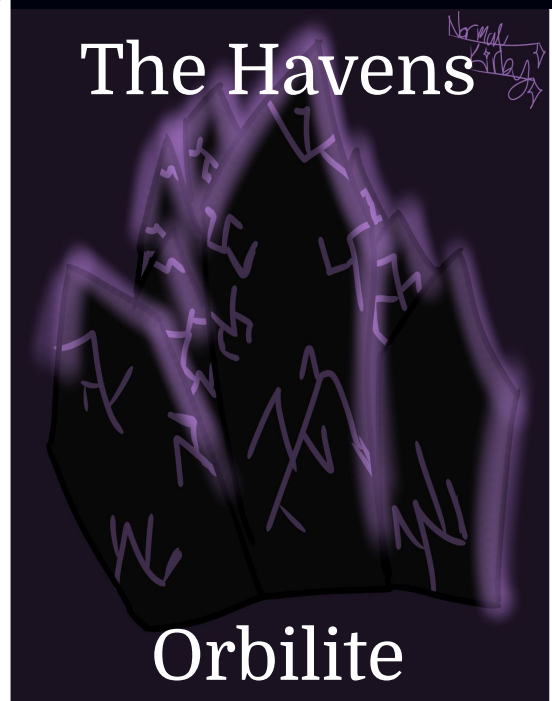
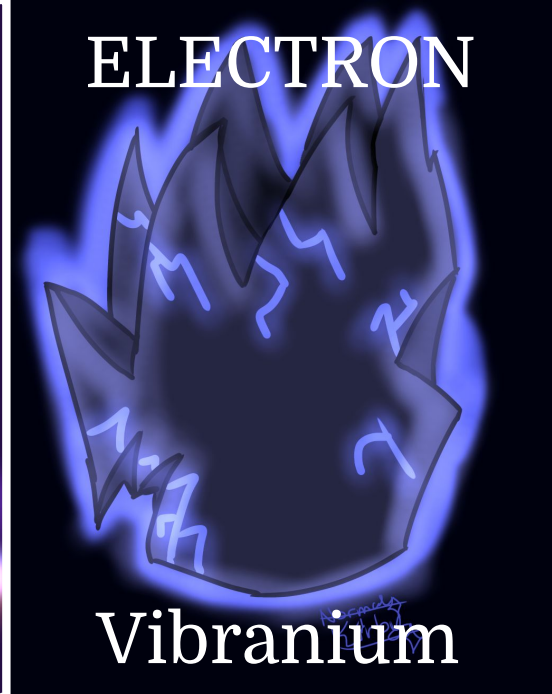


Astro-Lucent Elderwood



Lucent-Shining Crystals

Coordinates (x, y)	5,000, 11,000	Government Type	Monarchy
Population	2,000,000,000		Intergalactic Disposition
Terrain	Atmosphere is full of different elements like hydrogen, ground is invisible but you can walk on it.	Primary Race(s)	
			Primary Resource/ Technology
Climate	A warm habitat due to the population of stars conquering the coldness around them.	Description	
Size	1,000,000,000		
Planetary Wildlife	Astro-Lucent Elderwoods are trees whose fruit can heal physical wounds, but cannot regenerate amputated limbs. Their bark can heal disease, poisons, and paralyzation once made into a special tea.		



Origin Story: I was out onto other planets looking for resources to upgrade my weapons, as fighting the creatures in the Realm of Dark Matter wouldn't be easy. I found some Orbilite and Vibranium on two separate planets and used them on my sword. After upgrading it and picking it up, I suddenly felt lighter and felt a bit powerful.

Appearance: A large sword with a purple gem where the hilt and blade meet. The blade of the sword itself was a gradient of blue and orange, and it was harder than Vibranium. Even though the sword was heavy, it could still be picked up and used like an ordinary sword. This sword also stored a bit of my power in it, incase I had to use my ultimate.

● **Denseful Strength**

Rumors say that Vibranium is able to be very strong, which is why it is used in firearms on its origin planet. My sword felt heavier, but it also felt more durable and stronger. I guess this is supposed to be a permanent effect for my sword.

◆ **Crystal Arrows**

The Orbilite's effect was that it gave the Wielder special abilities based on their heart's connection if they were to hold a weapon made of it. The sword I now held gave me a powerful strike that sent a lot of crystals towards my target or enemies.

★ **Heart of the Phoenix**

The Phoenix's Blade has a ultimate ability that is most powerful when I am enraged. This overwhelming power from within me is able to almost or fully one-shot my enemies when I'm not upset. However, it deals a one-shot hit if I am enraged, so I have to use this ability wisely, as it also takes away my stamina..

Sprout Seedly

Age: {Unknown}

Species: Toon

Gender: Male

Home Planet: Earth-351



How we Met

I was observing many characters from other planets who would be the perfect fit for my adventure, and then Sprout suddenly spawned right in front of me after I had closed the visions. When he regained consciousness, he was startled after seeing me. After I had explained myself to him, he felt calmer. Since then, we've been best friends.



Ability #1: Baked Sweets

Using some Stardust, Sprout is able to create a cupcake that heals most of a companion's health or the protagonist's health, as well as having a low probability of curing all effects. (i.e. poison) This ability has a cooldown of 75 seconds due to the amount of energy loss after Sprout heals somebody.

Ability #2: Overprotective

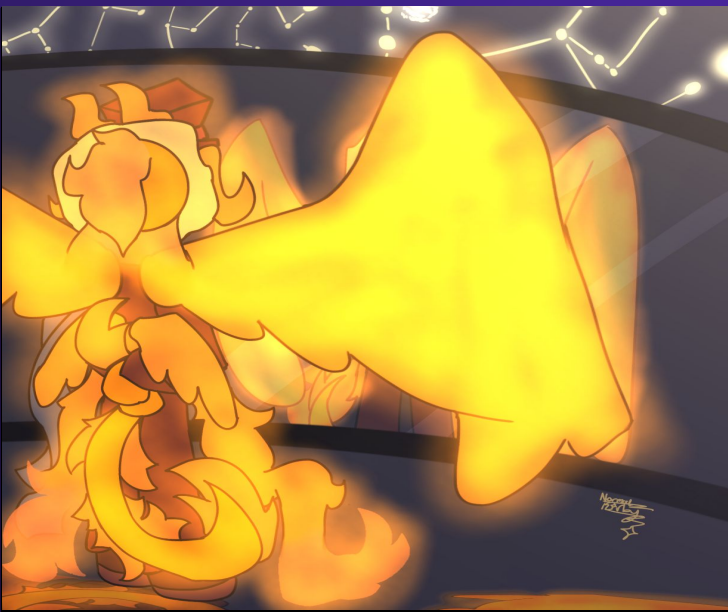
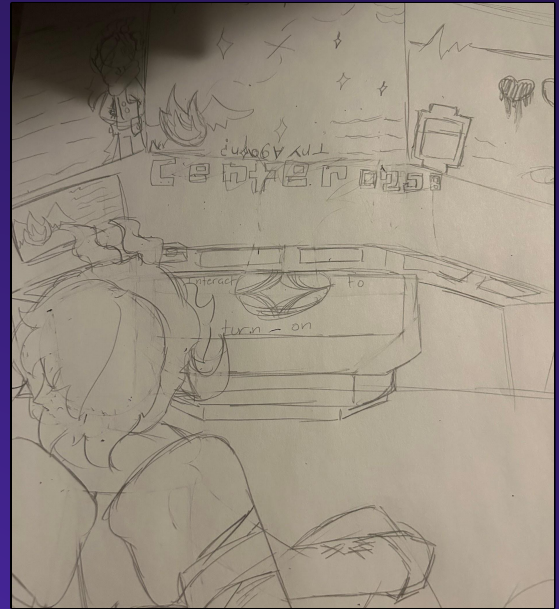
Because Sprout has an overprotective personality, he is able to see everybody's health status alongside the effects that somebody is experiencing when they get injured. This ability is passive, meaning that Sprout can see it anytime and anywhere..



The Celestial Sphere

Command Center

The Command Center is where monarchs and leaders discuss battle plans and missions. Different Command Centers have different roles. (i. e. Command Center 0258 is used for when someone is in critical condition after getting harmed on a mission.



The Stargazing Reader

This skylight is located above The Celestial Sphere, where nebulae, stars, and other objects are located. Threats are marked in the scale from red to purple depending on their danger level.

The Alchemist's Heart

This room is where weapons and experiments/research are conducted. The room is split into two so that no problems occur, and there is a glass door that can be turned on and off if an experiment will be performed.



Chapter Zero: Prologue

10,000,000 years ago, in the Heaven's Eye Nebula...

Flarium: "It's you again?! What do you want from my family?!"

???: *"What do I want from you and your family? Hah! I don't want anything."*

Flarium: "Don't lie. I know you're looking for a certain someone or something."

???: *"Lying? Do you really think that I'm lying?! Of course not!"*

Flarium: "..."

???: *"Actually.. I do want something."*

Flarium: "Then what is this 'something'?"

???: *"It requires..."*

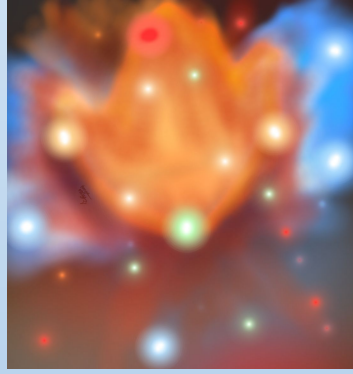
Flarium: "..Requires what now?"

A dark fume surrounds the entirety of the Heaven's Eye Nebula. Meanwhile, ??? illusions Flarium's visions, making him confused.

???: *"It requires you and a few others."*

??? laughed in a maniacal voice as Flarium tried to exit the palace gates. When he opened them after a few seconds, he found himself falling down a seemingly endless pit.

Chapter One: An Unsolved Disappearance



It all started when I was just observing the palace of the Heaven's Eye Nebula. Basically, it's just an ordinary and peaceful day, or so I felt. As soon as I was about to enter the third floor, I suddenly heard a loud bang and thousands of screams outside.

I ran down the steps of the staircase that led from the second floor to the first and I slammed the doors open wide. As I looked up at the sky, I saw a large black hole absorbing the citizens and everything else around it, but its gravitational pull wasn't strong enough to pull the palace in. To my left was my brother, Flare.

"Solstrobe.. Do you think this is what caused the disappearance of our family?" said Flare in a terrified tone.

"Flare, I don't think that's possible. Our family disappeared with no traces left behind."

Suddenly, the black hole stops absorbing everything and was pulled away from the Heaven's Eye Nebula. Almost everything was in ruins, and those who survived were injured.

"Let's go help the remaining survivors," I said as I jumped from the palace doors to the ground to help everyone.

Chapter One: An Unsolved Disappearance (Continued)

“Wh- Solstrobe, wait for me!” shouted Flare as he tried to catch up to me.

After Flare and I helped the remaining survivors, we were both called to be at the Galaxia Guardian Centerbase in the Soulflame Nebula, which is where the Galaxia Guardians hold their meetings, battle plans, and everything else.

“Hopefully we don’t get our faces slapped,”

“Flare, be quiet! Do you wish to get into even *more* trouble?!” I shouted.

“I’m just joking! Seriously, I don’t think you can take a joke.”

“Well, that *didn’t* sound like a joke to me.”

We arrived at the Galaxia Guardian Centerbase, and a meeting was hosted.

My childhood friend and the Galaxia Guardian Leader, Azure Terrastralite, said, “This is getting serious. There’s been a rise in Black Holes attacking citizens in kingdoms inside of nebulae, with the most recent one being an attack in the Heaven’s Eye Nebula.”

Chapter One: An Unsolved Disappearance (Continued)

Terra said, “Then what should we do? We can’t just send a few people to destroy these Black Holes, that’ll be dangerous!”

Azure replied, “I came up with something, but this could be risky: I’m going to send one of us to the Realm of Dark Matter to see or find any information about the rise of Black Hole attacks, as well as more information on the disappearance of the Nebulites. Any volunteers?”

The entire meeting room was silent until Flare raised his hand.

“If nobody wishes to go, I will,”

Everybody stared at Flare in shock. He’d gone on many risky missions with a group or solo, but he’d never gone on a mission that was as risky as this current one.

“Wh- Flare, are you sure about this?” I said to him nervously.

“Sol, I’ll handle this. This is for the good of our family and the Galaxia Guardians,”

Azure said, “Then the mission is settled. Flare, be ready within a few hours. Meeting dismissed.”

I’ve heard stories about past Galaxia Guardians entering the Realm of Dark Matter and never returning alive. Now that my brother’s the next one, I can only pray that he doesn’t get killed or go missing like the other Nebulites.

Chapter One: An Unsolved Disappearance (Continued)

Hours after Flare entered the portal to the Realm of Dark Matter, I was supposed to be watching him via the camera on his headlight, and I would do so until he returned safely. However, I would be the first to view something terrifyingly new to me. As I was sipping a cup of hydrogen-energized coffee, I heard a scream and then static. When I looked back, the camera was on the ground, and Flare wasn't there. I spat out my coffee and immediately ran as fast as I could to inform Azure.

I said, "Azure, you have to see this."

Azure said, "Huh? What's happening?"

I replied, "It's Flare.. He's missing."

Azure said, "What?! Show me right now!"

We both ran to the intercoms and saw that there was no signal, which meant one thing: someone or something must've destroyed the camera.

I stared in shock before I jumped at the sounds of Azure slamming the table.

I said, "Azure, there's no need to-"

Azure interrupted me, saying, "I knew this was a terrible idea! We lost another all because of me!"

I stared at Azure with a saddened expression on my face as he started crying.

Chapter One: An Unsolved Disappearance (Continued)



I said, “Azure, I know you’re trying so hard to fix this problem, but we can’t fix it without the help of others.”

Azure looked at me with tears in his eyes. “What do you mean?”

I replied, saying, “I’m saying that we can’t send Guardians into the Realm of Dark Matter all alone and unprepared. We’ll need a stronger and better team than just going solo, and I’ll be the one who will help.”

Azure said, “How are you going to help us?”

I said, “Just trust me. It’ll take a few days, maybe into weeks and months, but it’ll work. I’ll just have to find the perfect companions to accompany me before we enter that realm.”

Chapter Two: Assistance and Training

It took me a couple of days to find the perfect or seemingly reliable companions after watching them fight “Primordium, ” whom I have known for a while because of research. Since you probably don’t know who he is, Primordium’s the newly discovered antagonist who is currently destroying planets to grow his strength, and none of the companions I have observed through the visions have survived Primordium’s attacks.

After a few tries, I had found a perfect group of companions, or Toons, who I could train to help me in the Realm of Dark Matter, and I knew their names because I was an pansophical being. However, as soon as I had closed the visions, the strawberry, whose name is Sprout Seedly spawned right in front of me. He was unconscious for a moment before he got up.

“Ow.. My head- wait, where am I?” said Sprout as he stood up.

I said, “Welcome, Sprout Seedly. We have finally met after all these years.”

Sprout replied, “Wh- who are you?!”

I replied, “My name’s Solstrobe Flarium Nebulite, but you can call me by Sol or Solstrobe.”

“Okay.. but why am I here? *How* did I get here?!”

Sprout as he looked at me in confusion.

Chapter Two: Assistance and Training (Continued)

I said, “I have no clue how you ended up here, but I need the help of you and your companions.”

“What kind of ‘help’ do you need from my friends and me?” said Sprout.

I explained the Black Hole Crisis and the disappearance of my family, and I also told Sprout that I would help him and his companions train and practice for many weeks or months before they were ready to enter the Realm of Dark Matter.

“Huh.. So you’re not from my planet?” said Sprout, “But you look like one of us?”

I said, “Well.. Yes and no.”

There was a moment of silence until I had spoken.

“Anyways,” I said, “I’ll send your consciousness back to your own body. I’ll be there to help you and your friends in a moment... After I found out what in the world you and your friends were doing.”

I sent Sprout’s consciousness back into his body, and I watched him and his friends in another vision. His friends looked happy that he was alive. Too bad I didn’t experience that.

A couple of floors later, I had made an unexpected appearance, which had almost made everyone’s heart skip a beat. However, the green television by the name of Vee Version One was not letting that slide, and it’s probably because I am from the same category of Cosmic Race; the Celestial Body. The difference they don’t know is that I’m from the sub-category of Cosmic Races, called Stars, and I’m also classified as a Galaxia Guardian.

Chapter Two: Assistance and Training (Continued)

“Who is this Toon?! Is he siding with the strange Black Hole person?!” shouted Vee.

Sprout defended me, saying, “Calm down, Vee. He’s a protagonist, okay? There’s no need to be mad at him.”

Cosmo, who was apparently Sprout’s best friend, said, “How would you know that he’s not siding with that Black Hole we saw earlier?”

Sprout said, “Because I had him in a vision. He doesn’t look evil, and he sounded like he needed our help.”

Everybody looked at me with a concernedly suspicious look.

“Sprout’s right. I’m not siding with Primordium, I’m just here because I need your guys’ assistance, not because I wanna kill you all.”

“Primordium? That’s the name of that Black Hole who almost killed Sprout?” calmly spoke Astro.

Vee grumbled, “That’s a boring name to call that object.”

Sprout frowned at Vee.

“So, Solstrobe; when are we going to prepare for this mission you plan on taking us?”

I smirked, “We’ll be getting prepared right now and shortly.”

Cosmo tilted his head.

“Wait, right now?”

Chapter Two: Assistance and Training (Continued)

I quickly made a teleportation spell and teleported everyone in the elevator, including me, to the Soulflame Nebula. After everyone arrived, I led them to the weaponry, where all the weapons are stored. I chose a sword, a bow and quiver, a staff, and a spear.

I said, “Everyone, choose your weapons. Afterward, I’ll help you guys in your training process before we begin.”

Everyone chose their weapons, but Cosmo didn’t choose one of them.

“Cosmo? Why aren’t you choosing one?” asked Astro.

“Well, I’m not really comfortable with using *actual* weapons..”

I tilted my head and stared at Cosmo in confusion, but then I realized what he wanted.

“Hand me the weapon of your choosing, and I shall upgrade it.”

Cosmo handed me one of the most unusual “weapons” I have ever seen: a whisk.

“A whisk? Is this what makes you comfortable?”

“Of course! If it’s not really what you’re looking for, however, I understand.”

I then led them to the Armoury, where we upgrade or make weapons. We don’t usually make or upgrade weapons unless we have to get prepared for war.

“Uh..” said Sprout, “What are you about to do, Sol?”

I replied, “Maybe if you watch what I’m about to do, then you’ll understand.”

I instantly broke Cosmo’s whisk and melted it into a molten liquid. I then poured it into a mold of a whisk, a bit larger than the original, and I sprinkled a ton of Stardust onto the liquid.

Chapter Two: Assistance and Training (Continued)

“What in the world is he doing?” said Astro in a curious tone.

“I get it now: He’s *upgrading* Cosmo’s whisk,” said Sprout.

The new whisk I upgraded for Cosmo was finished in a heartbeat.

I carried it and passed it to Cosmo.

I said, “Go ahead and try it, Cosmo.”

He did. After he baked cookies, they came out with stardust on them.

“Whoa.. What did you do to this?” said Cosmo.

I replied, “It’s Stardust. It’s a rare and magical powder that only very few Celestial Bodies are born from; it flows in their blood.”

“Huh,” said Astro, “What does Stardust do?”

“Well,” I said, “Stardust can give Celestial Bodies some permanent traits, such as immortality.”

Everyone stared at me in silence for a moment.

“So,” said Vee, “Are we going to begin this ‘training’ process?”

I said, “No duh, Vee. Follow me to the Training Zone.”

The others followed me to the Training Zone, where it is very obvious that this place is the area where we train in case of battles. I had done a demo for each of them so they would follow my steps and use the weapons properly. They all kept on trying and fumbling, getting frustrated as they continued, so I had to do what I had to do and helped them all one by one. Let me just say: That was very hard to do, and I mean *very* hard, especially with all the projectiles that were coming in all directions because of the others.

Chapter Two: Assistance and Training (Continued)



ehehe I like
drawing visuals :D
- Solstrobe

While I was training them one by one, Vee shot my left wing, Astro’s magic hit me in the stomach, Cosmo’s whisk barely missed me by an inch, and Sprout gave my legs a very painful cut twice. They were all by accident, but I had to curl up like a ball on the floor because of the pain.

“Yeowch,” said Vee, “That must’ve been painful.”

“No really, Sherlock Holmes.”

I mumbled, “You all definitely need to work more on your fighting skills.”

Sprout force fed me a cupcake so my wounds would heal, due to the fact that he’s overprotective to everyone, and so we continued the training process like usual, and I had to dodge the attacks about ten or more times. It was tiring, obviously, and I still got injured during the process.

Chapter 2.5: Relocation

During Solstrobe's ascent up the mountain, Flarium was still trapped in prison. Although he's been starving for millions of years and hasn't had any sleep, he can't feel like he's been malnourished, but he can feel like he's extremely tired. He isn't able to talk due to a lack of energy, so he talks to himself in his mind.

Flarium: *{The rescue teams are taking too long! Where in the world are they?!}*

???: *"Any new updates for the remaining Nebulites?"*

###: *"Nope. Same as usual, besides that Cosmic just died today due to lack of sleep."*

Flarium: *{..Cosmic died today?!}*

???: *"Ugh, of course, the young always die first."*

###: *"Wait, sir. There appears to be another Nebulite we haven't captured."*

???: *"Who's this Nebulite that we haven't caught?!"*

###: *"Flarium's strongest son, Solstrobe Flarium Nebulite. He'll be coming here in a moment to save the remaining Nebulites."*

Flarium: *{Solstrobe found me after all these years?! He's coming in a moment?!}*

???: *"Oh, he won't be getting any of the Nebulites anytime soon. Bring all the remaining Nebulites to our secret location."*

###: *"???, the only Nebulite that remains is Flarium! The others died naturally or by force."*

???: *"JUST DO IT, FOR GOODNESS SAKE!"*

Flarium: *{..Goodness gracious, those two really need to calm down.}
{Wait.. Oh no.}*

The guards opened Flarium's cell and took him away to another place where Solstrobe and his team may not be able to find him.



Chapter Three: Opening to the Darkness



Fortunately, not long before, it had only taken around three weeks for my companions, or now my well-known best friends, to master the weapons I had given them. I walked into Azure's office, and we discussed. Afterwards, I returned to my friends.

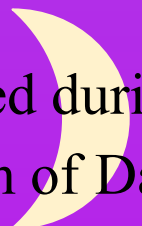
I said, "Everyone, get prepared: we're off to the Realm of Dark Matter in a few hours."

Everyone immediately ran to the dorms and packed the stuff they needed for the adventure. My friends kept on bumping into each other, playfully smacking each other, and even stepping on each other's feet. I couldn't help but laugh so hard.

"Take your time, guys!" I said, laughing so hard, "There's no need to rush; I said we'd go in a few hours!"

Things finally calmed down after a minute or two. Now, we were all ready to enter the Realm of Dark Matter and face off the major threat, if there even is one.

I double-checked to see if we got everything we needed during the mission, and I checked it off. We were off to the Realm of Dark Matter once we had arrived at the Portal Zone.





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I wish you and your companions the best of luck, Solstrobe,” said Azure as the portal opened.

I replied, “Thank you. I hope to fix this crisis and get rid of it once and for all.”

I jumped into the portal, and the others followed. During the road to the Realm of Dark Matter, I saw Astro do loop-de-loops, Sprout was upside down and started to scream like a child, Cosmo was just standing still, and Vee kept on bumping into the walls of the invisible tunnel. I laughed so hard as we traveled.

As soon as we landed, we began the journey to The Baseplate. Although I felt fine within a few hours, the others were getting tired and having sore feet. We decided to take breaks whenever we can.

“I’m so tired,” said Vee, “What is taking this journey so long?!”

I said, “Well, this is only the beginning of where we have to go.”

Sprout said, “Wait, what beginning?”

I said as I pointed to the mountain, “You guys don’t realize that we have to climb up a mountain to get where we have to be?”

“Ugh..” whined Vee as she fell off a stump and landed in the grass.

Sprout snickered at Vee as we packed up to continue our journey up the tall and tiring mountain. Even though we had gotten many cuts and near-death experiences as we climbed and hiked up to the peak, we still had each other's backs and saved each other. Soon enough, my feet ached, and my hands had many cuts on them, but I was fine, since I used my wings to keep watch of my companions as they had to climb. Sprout also could’ve used his wings that I granted him to fly as well,, but he’s a newbie. Yes, I do regret not teaching him flying lessons before we even left. I have never thought of that, because Sprout’s the first one I granted with the power of flight.





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It took many tiring hours before we finally reached the summit. I quickly made a spell using my magic that instantly regenerated our stamina and healed our wounds before we had entered The Baseplate.

Sprout panted, “I did not like the climb back there: I’m just so glad that it’s over,”

I said, “However, we aren’t finished yet. We have to rescue my family, or whoever else is alive. Then, we have to find out whatever’s causing the black holes to attack nebulae before we can leave this place.”

“Are we serious?” grumbled Vee, “This is taking forever! C’mon, can’t we at least take *another* break before we-”

“Vee,” interrupted Sprout, “You gotta understand that Sol’s family is in danger and at high risk of dying. I’m not taking another break: I’m going with Sol to save his family, whether he likes it or not.”

Vee, Astro, Cosmo, and I stared at Sprout in shock. I was grateful that somebody would do anything to do what I say.

“I have a very bad feeling that most of your family is *already* dead, but we’ll save the last of those who are still alive if so.”

“You’re right. Let’s go save my family!”

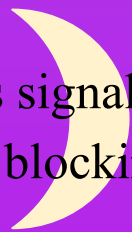
I slammed the doors wide open and immediately ran inside. Sprout followed, and another followed the last, and so on. We were all puzzled when we saw all the hallways, but then I felt a pulse coming from a direction.

Cosmo asked, “Should we take a guess?”

“No. Follow my lead, I know where to go.”

I followed the sensations of the pulse. The more I followed its signals, the stronger it felt. We suddenly paused our movements as a door was blocking our way, but it wasn’t able to open without something.

“Please don’t tell me we need to do a quota of some sort,” whined Vee.





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told Vee, “Nope. Looks like we’ll need some sort of magical item. Search around the area, maybe it’s around here.”

We checked in boxes upon more boxes, as well as we even checked the ceiling and shelves, even though they were dusty and Sprout ended up sneezing more than five times because of the dust.

“Found it,” I said.

I inserted the item into the slot and the doors opened. We all ran inside as the doors began to close. Once the doors had shut, it was all darkness, except for the light of Vee’s face, Astro’s star eye, Sprout’s wings and halo, and my radiance. Unfortunately, it was very dark even with our lights together, but everyone could still be blinded by my light.

Astro covered his eyes. “Uh, Sol? Your light is a bit too.. radiant.”

I mumbled, “Yeah, sorry.. us stars can’t control our brightness.”

Sprout questioned, “How bright even is a star when you look directly at-
AAHH!!”

He covered his eyes and looked away from me as he was blinded by the light.

“Goodness gracious! Is that what the Sun would look like if we stepped outside?!”

“Hehe, shouldn’t had stared at Solstroke, Berry Boy.” snickered Vee.

“Hey! I was just curious!” protested Sprout.

“Oh, geez.. Can you guys stop bickering?” asked Cosmo.

“You three, cut it out! We’re losing track of time just by doing *nothing!*” I shouted as I then proceeded to touch the wall for any switches.

“..What are you trying to do?”

“Finding switches to escape this dark room so Sprout doesn’t get blinded by my light.”





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It took about two minutes to finally find a switch. I pulled it, and we were off to the next level. It was dark once again.

“SERIOUSLY?!” yelled Sprout, “I mean, sure, I’ll take *another* blackout for a challenge, but WHY IS THIS ONE WAY MORE *DARKER* THAN THE LAST ONE?!”

One after another, we got through all the pitch-black rooms and were so tired of seeing one last one. Fortunately, as the last pair of doors opened, we were met with another hallway that splits into three.

I frowned. “Well, we have no choice but to continue.”

We continued following the pulse, which grew stronger and stronger for each step we take. Another door blocked us once again, but we had to pull levers this time. Vee and I pulled the levers and both doors opened at once. We all went inside, and the doors slammed shut after Astro was the last one to step into the room.



Chapter Four: The Climb of Radiance

Once we were in, it was very chaotic.

There were too many obstacles and guards blocking our way, but we got through them easily. However, that was just the First Stage. The obstacles and guards became harder and harder and had more of them throughout the deeper ventures throughout The Baseplate, and it wasn't till' the Third Stage when I felt something; I froze as I had felt a cold and painful pulse coming from deep within. I immediately knew who was sending those pulses.

“Sol?” said Sprout, “Are you alright?”

I said, “It's my father. He's in danger.”

Silence filled the entire area. Everyone was staring at me.

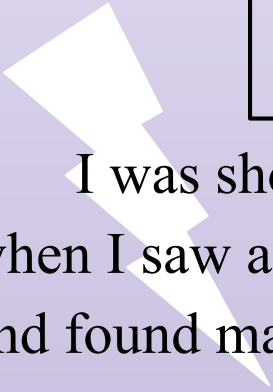
I then shouted, “We have to go, and fast! Don't care about the obstacles and guards, just charge through with all your might!”

After beating the Final Stage, we burst through the doors and found my father above us. The pulse I felt earlier was stronger, and everyone could feel it. Astro shouted, “Wh- What in the world?! Why is the pulse so strong?!”

“I don't think Solstrobe knows why!” shouted Cosmo.

Sprout then turned to me and shouted, “Solstrobe, try looking for a power source! There should be one somewhere!”

Chapter Four: The Climb of Radiance (Continued)



I was shocked, but I looked around for a power source. That's when I saw a lot of wires. I followed them as quickly as I could and found many crystals. After many slashes and stabs, I wasn't able to shatter it. So, I quickly alerted the rest of the group.

"There's a huge bunch of crystals!" I shouted, "It won't break if you guys don't help me!"

"We're coming!" shouted Astro.

The crystals shattered after everyone had used up most of their strength, and everyone was blown away. It was very powerful, so powerful that my father's cage had broken free, and the door was open. Everyone, besides my father, was fine. After the shockwave died down, I ran to my father and helped him get out of his cage. Afterwards, I quickly regenerated his injuries and stamina.

"So," said Astro as he walked towards us, "Are we finished yet?"

I said, "There's still more to finish. We haven't found what's been causing the crisis."

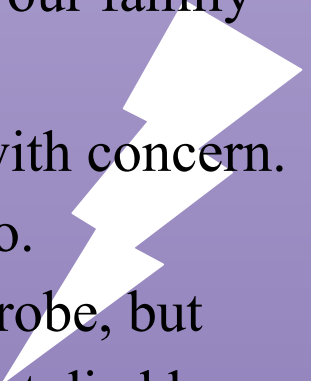
Vee said, "C'mon! I was hoping that we'd save your family-"

"There's no more 'your family.'" said Flarium.

Everyone, including myself, looked at Flarium with concern.

"..What do you mean by 'no more?'" said Cosmo.

Flarium said, "I'm sorry if this breaks you, Solstroke, but almost every one of the Nebulites is dead. Cosmic just died hours ago."



Chapter Four: The Climb of Radiance (Continued)

I dropped my sword, and my body began to tremble. I wanted to cry, but I couldn't. I couldn't believe that most of my family was dead. I couldn't believe that I was going to fail. There was absolutely no way that almost all of them were dead.

“Wait.. *Almost* all the Nebulites are dead?” said Sprout.

“Only four of the Nebulites haven't been considered dead, at least that's what I know,” said Flarium, “You obviously know I'm alive, but Astra and Juno went missing the day after I was captured, and I saw Flare getting dragged to another place or dimension. He was crying before I heard him scream. My guess is that he...”

Flarium stopped talking. I guess that he had probably known about what he had seen, and that he couldn't say it.

“..What was he about to say?” whispered Astro, who was confused.

I whispered, “I'm pretty sure he's traumatized, or he can't say what he saw.”

A huge bang was suddenly heard. Then another. Another one followed the last two. Then, a strong gravitational pull carried everyone from where we were all the way to the throne room of The Baseplate. Everyone was fine, but Flarium landed against the wall, and I also did, but managed to land on my feet before I hit it. As we got up, we heard a voice echo from the space around us.

“*So you're the ones who came to save the Nebulites.*”

Chapter Four: The Climb of Radiance (Continued)

A dark cloud swirled in the center of the room, and Primordium came out of it. He looked at everyone with a smirk on his face.

Primordium said, *“Would you look at that. You’re the only child of the Nebulites who remains. I wonder who could’ve been the bait.”*

He turned to Flarium and said, *“And **you**, quit spoiling whatever I’m going to do to your son and his friends.”*

Flarium said, “Why should I, when you’re the one who’s making me spoil your plans?”

Primordium said in a menacingly dark tone, *“Just you wait, Flarium. Once the Luminescence of the Unknown and the Star of the Lightbringer are mine, I’ll be unstoppable, and I shall defeat you and the rest of your group!”*

Flarium said, “That won’t happen. Not on our watch.”

He summoned his sword into his hands, and the others did the same for their weapons.

Flarium then turned to me, saying, “Sol, I need you to find all three of the most powerful essences and the Star of the Lightbringer. They’re hiding somewhere around The Baseplate, so get them asap!”

I said, “I’m on it, Father, I won’t fail you!”

I then ran out of the throne room as everyone else began to fight. I turned down corners and hallways to find the things that I needed to find. I knew I had to be quick before Flarium asked me to get those as soon as possible.

Chapter Four: The Climb of Radiance (Continued)



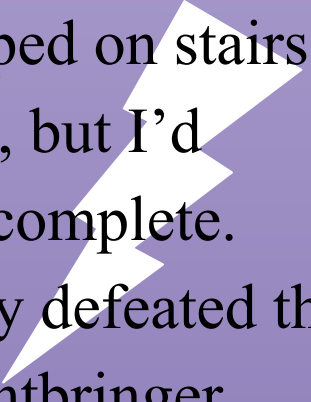
I dodged obstacles and pushed through guards, opened doors and sprinted across, jumped over shelves and drop kicked anyone in my way, and I did all this only to get trapped and needing to fight some of the toughest warriors to obtain one of the three Luminescences. Thankfully, I'm the strongest son out of all of them in the Nebulites because I was born with Stardust in my blood, which gave me my god-like traits.

Where is the second Luminescence? I already have the Solar one, but I also don't have the Unknown Luminescence and the Star of the Lightbringer..

I beated up more guards and decapitated a few more of them.

It should be around here somewhere...

I soon had found the Lunar and the Unknown Luminescences. Now, all that's left is the Star of the Lightbringer. I slid down too much railings, tripped on stairs, and I also achieved a new railgun. It was broken, but I'd figured that I could fix it when the mission was complete. After I've gone through too much chaos, I finally defeated the last enemy that was guarding the Star of the Lightbringer, grabbed the Star, and ran back to the throne room.



Chapter 4.5: Distraction Failed

As Solstrobe ran down many corridors and hallways trying to find the Luminescences and the Star of the Lightbringer, Flarium and Solstrobe's friends tried everything to distract and fight off Primordium. Astro and Cosmo are currently severely injured, leaving Primordium to deal with Sprout, Vee, and Flarium. Primordium has not gotten damaged yet.

Vee: "There's gotta be a way to harm him! The weapons have no use!"

Sprout: "I know, Vee! We've been-"

Sprout is severely injured by a Quasar Beam, which hits him in the chest. He rests on the floor in great pain.

"Gosh darn it.. Not again.."

"Shoot- Flarium, can't you do something to defeat him?!"

Flarium, blocking an attack: "Do you *really* think I have enough strength to defeat Primordium?! You are seriously thinking on a different wavelength!"

Vee, slashing to block an attack: "I'm saying if you can *communicate* with Solstrobe, you disappointment of a father!"

"Don't you ever call me that again, Outdated Tech!"

A sword hits Vee and severely wounds her. Flarium is all who is left, and Primordium satisfyingly smirks at him.

Primordium: "*Hah! You're all who I need to fight off before I can see how strong your son truly is.*"

Flarium glared at Primordium in exhaustion and frustration.

Primordium: "*Ugh, you're too exhausted to even say a word. Oh well, guess it means I'll be the one with an advantage, which I've always had.*"

"Just because I'm exhausted doesn't mean you'll have an advantage, Primordium."

Primordium: "*Oh, really? You don't even have your son's support. I could just hurt him wherever he is, though.*"

Chapter 4.5: Distraction Failed (Continued)

Flarium: "I'm not letting you hurt my son!"

Primordium: *"What's that threat gonna do to me? All you have is a sword! Your companions are down, and Solstrobe isn't anywhere to help you!"*

Flarium: "You shouldn't underestimate me, Primordium. I'm quicker than you think I am."

Primordium: *"Oh, really? Then try **this!**"*

Primordium fires a laser at Flarium, who dodges it easily as it is absorbed by the walls. The laser then fires, striking Flarium from behind. Primordium grabs Flarium by his left wing and almost rips it off, but then throws him to the floor.

Primordium: *"I **shouldn't** underestimate you? You're nothing but a weakling. Can't you even fight until your own son arrives? You're a disappointment, and should still be one in the eyes of Solstrobe."*

Flarium struggles to get up as he is injured and can barely last much longer.

"I'm.. no disappointment. I'll fight.. until Solstrobe arrives.. even if it costs my life."

He gets up and tightens his grip on his sword.

Primordium: *"So you've decided to continue. I see how it is, Flarium. This won't be long, so prepare to say your final words."*

Primordium struck Flarium in the abdomen three times with his sword, but the last strike is blocked. Primordium gave Flarium a psychotic smile, which made him confused. Before Flarium was able to strike, an invisible sword stabbed him in the chest, making Flarium pause for a moment. Not before long, Solstrobe arrives and is devastated at what he had seen.

Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix



I had found all the items and placed them in a satchel I found. I ran back to the throne room and had also heard a huge thud before I entered. When I entered the throne room, I saw Flarium fall to the ground, and a pool of ichor spread from his body. That was when I had become a bit too.. Angry.

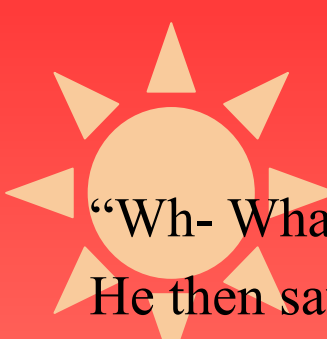
Primordium laughed maniacally, *“You’re too late! They’re all down, and it’s because of you! How ridiculous you are, so gullible for finding the jewels instead of saving your companions!”*

An aura of flame sparked from my sword, and I instantly went behind Primordium and stabbed his heart out of his chest. I pulled my sword out and sliced Primordium into two, his body falling to the ground as I quickly drew my breath.

*“**Nobody** calls me ridiculous and gullible, Primordium.”* I quietly said as ichor dripped down my sword and hands.

Primordium’s body dissolved, and stardust was all that remained. It quickly spun around faster and faster until I saw a figure I recognized. The stardust then exploded, and Flare was all that was left, standing there.

Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix (Continued)



“Wh- What in the world happened?” said Flare.

He then saw me staring at him in shock.

I said, “Flare? You were Primordium this whole time?!”

Flare replied, “..Who’s Primordium?-”

He paused before a shadow of guilt went over his face.

“O- Oh,” said Flare, “I guess I was.. I didn’t mean to attack everyone- I-”

He looked like he was about to cry, so I walked over to him and did everything I could to comfort him. I then healed everybody in the throne room, so everyone got up. However, I did a special spell to Flarium, making him immortal. Also, there was also another problem: I was not able to cure Dark Matter, and Flarium got poisoned with it.

I said to myself, *{Good grief. I’m not able to cure Dark Matter.*

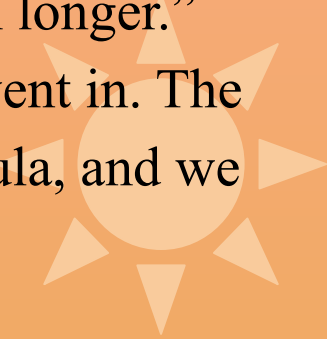
I turned to Flare and asked, “Hey, Flare, could you do me a favor?”

Flare said, “..What’s it about?”

I said, “My mission isn’t completed yet, and Flarium’s poisoned. Could you bring him to the Soulflame Nebula so the others can cure him?”

Flare said, “I guess.. I don’t want to stay here much longer.”

I summoned a portal, and both Flare and Flarium went in. The portal closed after they crossed into the Soulflame Nebula, and we continued until we all heard an extremely loud bang.



Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix (Continued)



“What *was* that?!” Astro said in shock.

“That bang did not sound like a normal one; it sounded loud, like, extremely loud!” said Cosmo.

I said, “I think I know what’s happening.”

Everyone turned to me.

I said, “I think there’s a major, more dangerous threat, and that Primordium is just the puppet. There’s most likely a puppeteer who is causing the crisis *and* was the one who corrupted my brother. If I am right, then this is bad.”

Silence took over before a huge bang shocked the surface, shaking everyone. A loud and ichor-curdling scream then followed afterwards before the entire roof was blown away and sucked into a huge black hole.

“Holy- I was ***NOT*** expecting that! Why do we have to experience this when we could’ve been living peacefully in Gardenview by now?!” shouted Vee

I shouted, “Just be quiet and grab onto something!”

However, it was too late, and everyone quickly got sucked in. On the other side, once we all got absorbed, it was nothing but a pitch-black void, which I was mostly expecting.

“Everyone alright?” I said as I got up.

“We’re fine,” said Astro.

Silence filled the void once again until an unknown voice echoed.



Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix (Continued)



{“So you fools still fight to protect your universe. I see how that is.”}

We all got startled and watched our surroundings, but suddenly, a bright white light shone above us, and the major threat had come down to reveal themselves.

???: {“It’s ridiculous to fight for something that is currently getting destroyed.”}

I whispered, “So they’re The Singularity. I thought they were just a myth.”

The Singularity: {“You’ve finally realized. I’m grateful for your memory, but that doesn’t impress me.”}

It was *The Singularity*. I thought they were a myth, but I was shocked to see that they were real. The Singularity is a dangerous entity, and they have power so strong that it can destroy and absorb entire universes. Beams struck the ground at the speed of light, and it was so fast that nobody besides me had the time to dodge them.

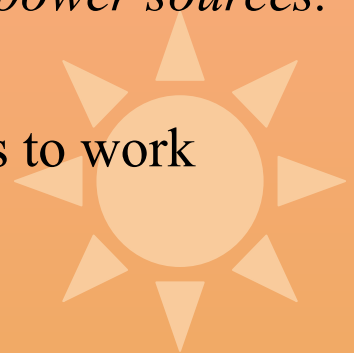
“What do we do?! We can’t attack them!” shouted Vee.

I paused for a moment and had an idea- an extremely risky idea, but it was worth a shot. There were ten pillars, with five on each side.

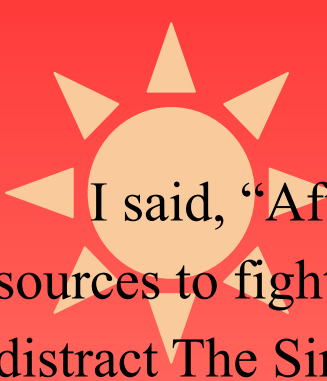
Those pillars.. Those pillars are The Singularity’s power sources. Without it, they can’t hurt us.

I then spoke softly, “Vee, I need you and the others to work together and destroy those pillars.”

Vee said, “What about you?”



Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix (Continued)



I said, “After all pillars are destroyed, I’ll use the powerful sources to fight them. Right now, you need to get rid of the pillars. I’ll distract The Singularity.”

“We’re on it!” shouted Vee.

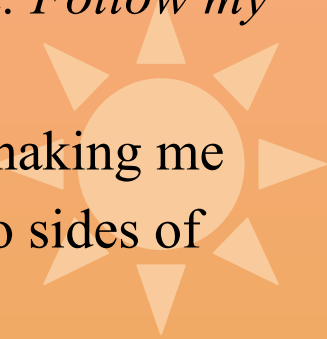
Vee told the others, and they all split up. Meanwhile, I dodged all the lasers and did everything I could to distract The Singularity from attacking my friends. One by one, all the pillars were destroyed, but so was everyone else. Astro went down first, followed by Cosmo and Vee. Sprout pushed me aside and was flung out of the void as a result, which left me to be the only one remaining.

The Singularity: {*“You are the only one who remains now. This battle will be an easy win.”*}

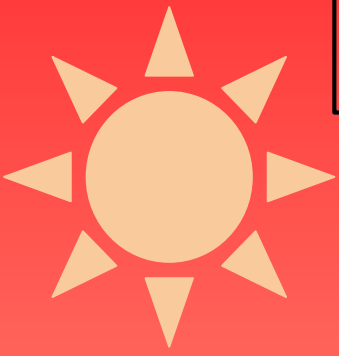
I tried to find a perfect spot that The Singularity couldn’t reach, but I realized I was chained up and surrounded in a swirling cloud of Dark Matter. I was struggling to break free as the chains drained my strength, words of negativity filling my mind. Then, a strange orange light surrounded me as well. I was then “teleported” to a strange area where I slowly became fused into the Dark Matter, my body trembling in fear. I then heard a voice.

???: {*“Sol, whatever you do, don’t follow that voice. Follow my commands instead, for I shall ‘help you.’”*}

The dark magic tried to manipulate me as well by making me betray those words. It felt like an argument between two sides of myself.



Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix (Continued)



..?: {*“Do not listen to them. Listen to me instead. Fall into the void and give in. Your problems will be soothed.”*}

I was confused, scared, and wanted to fall into the emptiness. However, a third and more powerful, familiar voice was calling out to me. A figure then stood in front of me and looked familiar. That was because it was none other than my father’s.

Flarium: *“Sol, I know you’re struggling and that the others may or may not hear me, but you cannot trust either of those voices. Follow my voice and only mine.”*

I looked at my father in confusion before I finally realized and listened to him.

Flarium: *“Do you still have the Luminescences and the Star of the Lightbringer?”*

“I have everything,” I said.

Flarium: *“Okay, on count to three, use **all of them at once.**”*

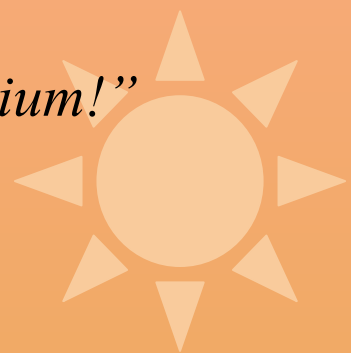
“Alright,” I replied.

Flarium: *“Three..”*

???: *“Don’t you **dare** make him follow you, Flarium!”*

..?: *“Wait, don’t do that!”*

Flarium: *“Two..”*



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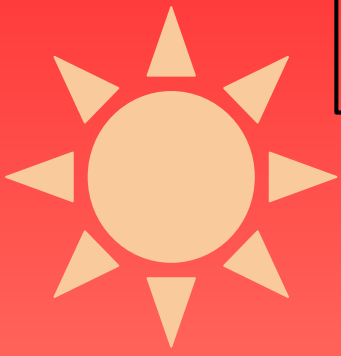


I was too focused on breaking the Luminescences and the Star at once, but then I had seen both ??? and ..? tried to attack my father from behind, and my instincts came. I immediately shattered all Luminescences and the Star, and an extremely strong sense of power swirled around me. Warm colors of a phoenix spread across my own body, patterns showing on my hands. My wings shone brighter, and my hair felt luscious.

In a moment, the clouds of dust were sent outwards as I had awakened from the dust in a flash. Everybody who was still in the void looked at me in shock.

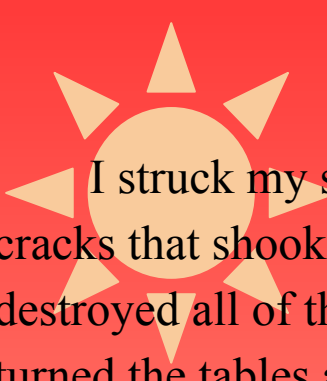
The Singularity: {“No! How could you!!”}

Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix (Continued)



I did a high jump and pointed my sword downwards before I had done an extremely dangerous move that none of the Nebulites may have done: The Phoenix's Judgement. It was extremely risky and could potentially kill the user who did the move, but I had done it to destroy The Singularity once and for all.

Chapter Five: Rise of the Phoenix (Continued)



I struck my sword to the ground, and the overwhelming energy formed huge cracks that shook everyone. The Singularity's power was of no use to me, for I destroyed all of their power in a single bit. I absorbed all their power, and I had turned the tables against them. The flames on my sword shone a golden yellow color, and with the anger I released with all my might, I screamed and launched a gigantic burst of fire, radiation, and anger towards The Singularity in the shape of a phoenix.

“Everyone, get under my wings!” I shouted as the explosion was about to occur.

Everyone quickly dashed to me with the amount of energy they had left, and the explosion occurred. After the light of the explosion died down, all that was left was emptiness. Emptiness meant only one thing: We successfully defeated The Singularity.

Vee stuttered, “Wh- What in the *world* was all that awesomeness?!”

I said, “Not sure, but for now, all I know is that the mission is complete and was a success. Although.. uh.. You guys do realize that Sprout got launched out of the void and is still injured.”

Cosmo said, “Then let's go, we don't have all day!”

Sprout was curled up on the ground and was severely injured once again. Fortunately, he did not suffer from any radiation from the explosion. I poked Sprout on the shoulder to wake him up.

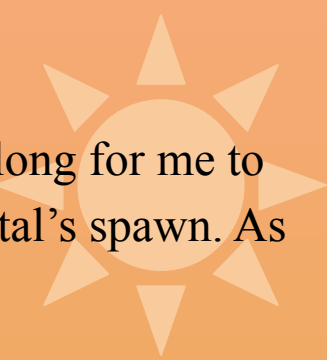
Sprout mumbled, “Ugh.. What happened after I got flung?”

I said, “It's a bit of a long story, but you'll understand when we return.”

“Uh.. okay. Also, that's a nice outfit you're wearing.”

“Well, thanks for the compliment.”

Many hours of climbing down were saved, as it didn't take long for me to create a zip line that the others used while I flew down to the portal's spawn. As soon as we all arrived, I contacted Azure.



Chapter Six: Mission Successful

Azure got in contact with me.

“Hello?” said Azure, “Who’s this?”

I replied, “Azure, it’s Sol. The mission was a success, and we got rid of whatever caused the crisis.”

Everyone at the Galaxia Guardian Centerbase cheered in happiness and joy. The portal opened, and we all stepped out. Everyone was amazed when they saw me.

Terra said, “Sol, you’re a lifesaver! I was not expecting you to make up with a plan that would be successful!”

I said, “It wasn’t *just* me, it was my friends *and* I!”

Azure said, “Well then, let’s get the party started! We’re already celebrating, c’mon!”

Everyone followed Azure, and I did as well, but as soon as I turned down the corner, I felt extremely dizzy and also felt liquid flow from my stomach. I looked down and saw a cut on my chest, and also felt ichor drip from my head and limbs. While everyone else was in the party room, Flarium quickly noticed me still standing out there, kneeling because of my injuries. He was surprised that nobody noticed me.

Flarium shouted, “Somebody get the medics! Solstrobe’s severely wounded!”

Medics quickly arrived as I fell to the floor and blacked out. Then, small and short snippets of what I saw were nothing but a blur. I remember seeing doctors looking down at me, then I remember being carried by a stretcher, and then I remember seeing my father looking at me in concern, and all I could hear from him is this:

“..I hope you aren’t ashamed of me once you wake up... If you can hear me... I’m nothing like a father to you.”

Chapter Six: Mission Successful (Continued)

After those snippets, I heard and saw some more, Sometimes when I opened my eyes a bit, I saw nurses or doctors talking with each other; other times, I saw my friends, Flare, or my father. A week passed, and I finally woke up with my eyes open. I had bandages on my stomach, arms, legs, and head.

Sprout shouted, “He’s alive! Flare, tell your father that Solstroke is alive!”

Vee said, “Sprout, you dummy! You could disturb other patients and Solstroke!”

“Whoopsies.. my bad, guys.”

Flare and Flarium entered the hospital room and saw that I was alive. Flare instantly started crying and gave me a hug when he saw the bandages on me.

Flare quietly spoke, “We all thought you were about to die, Sol.. thank goodness you’re alive.”

I gave a warm smile to everyone. I was grateful that I had survived. Although most of my family had been lost, I was glad that I managed to save my father and older brother from dying.

“Yeah,” I said in a tired voice, “I’m grateful that I made it.”

Everyone kept on talking about what happened in the weeks I had been unconscious. Then, one of the nurses then came in and said that everyone had to leave, but Flarium insisted that he and I had a moment to talk. She quickly understood and left the room, closing the door behind her.

Chapter Six: Mission Successful (Continued)

“..Are you still upset about what happened days before today?”

“I’m.. kind of upset. It’s still disappointing that I couldn’t save them. I should’ve been quicker.”

“ ... ”

“I’m sorry, Father.. I tried my hardest, yet I still failed. It’s all my fault, and I- I wish I could turn the time back-“

“..Don’t blame yourself.”

“What?- But- I thought you’d be mad at me!-“

“No, it’s ridiculous to get mad at someone for making a mistake. I understand that you’ve been trying to make the Nebulites proud, and you did. I’m impressed by how you and your friends risked your own lives just to save those who were still alive.”

“ ... ”

“..It should be me who should apologize to you for being so upset at you when you made a mistake. I finally understood the day you ran off after our argument, but I just couldn’t tell you because of what had happened that night.”

“ ... ”

“..I’m sorry, Sol. I should’ve been a better father to you.”

Flarium got up from the bed and left. I felt guilty that he had said that. I would’ve discussed it with him, but I couldn’t stop crying afterwards. Whatever he had said really impacted me in a positive way, and I never forgot about it.

The following day, Sprout came back to visit me.

Chapter Six: Mission Successful (Continued)

“Hey, Sprout.” I said, “How’s everyone doing?”

“Well,” said Sprout, “Vee, Astro, and Cosmo are doing great. Flare’s doing alright, although he doesn’t really interact with us that much, especially since after he’d been insulted and had gotten beaten up multiple times due to the physical scars of Dark Matter on his body and face.”

“What about Flarium?” I asked.

Sprout said, “Well.. Flarium hasn’t been feeling well. I’ve been seeing tears fall from his face, and I’ve been noticing that he’s not eating much nor has gotten any sleep.”

I said, “What?! Why is that?”

“Uh,” said Sprout, “You see, he was mumbling something about being a ‘terrible father’ and something else about ‘wanting to harm.’ I’m also sure that he’s been trying to punish himself, because I saw bandages on his hands this morning.”

I didn’t say anything. I was extremely shocked; Flarium never felt insecure about himself. He never did until I heard about this today.

“Well.. Could you tell Flarium this?” I asked.

“I’m listening,” replied Sprout.

I said, “Tell my father that I love him with all my heart. He’s not a terrible father, and I think he was just misunderstanding me. I know he’s a kind soul, and I will always protect him and Flare, even if the threat is severely dangerous. I know he can change for the better, and I’m always cheering him on, even if I won’t be there to help him.”

“Alright,” said Sprout, “I’ll make sure to give him your message, and I’ll give him yours, if he wishes to give you one.”

I said, “Thanks a lot, Sprout.”

Chapter Six: Mission Successful (Continued)

He didn't reply to what I had asked him. A single tear fell from his eyes as he finally spoke.

"Yeah.. Yeah, I got your message," replied Flarium.

I led him to somewhere else where the others didn't find us. I then tried to comfort him as time passed by.

"..I know what you did two days ago. I know something's off about you."

"..."

"Father, if something is bothering you, just tell Flare or me. You're blocking your own insecurities from being exposed to others. If you don't tell them, how will people comfort you?"

"..."

I used my power to heal the wounds on Flarium's hands.

"Remember about the message I told you. If you *ever* need mine or Flare's support, we'll always be here to help."

I then left him alone in the hallway as I went back to my friends and Flare.

"Now what?" said Sprout, "We've already completed the quest, and I'm itching to *finally* do something enjoyable!"

Chapter Six: Mission Successful (Continued)

Astro turned to me and asked, “Solstrobe, is there anything we could do?”

I remembered that there was a roller skating rink that had just finished construction recently in the Soulflame Nebula. This really wasn’t a part of what I was willing to do, but I decided to; I needed a break from adventures anyway.

I said, “Well, there’s a roller skating rink that was recently finished here, so why not go ahead and get there asap?”

“You bet!” said Sprout in a very excited tone, “I’ll beat you guys in a race once we get there!”

I said, “You’re not the only one who’s experienced in skating, Sprout!”

I summoned my roller skates and quickly put them on.

I said, “Let’s race to the skating rink! Loser has to spit out something embarrassing to the rest of us!”

I then jumped onto the railing and slid down, breaking open the front doors and skating freely. The others also followed with their skates that I had summoned as I had gone down the railings. As I was skating to the rink, I looked at the Command Centerbase for a moment and smiled, laughing as the others caught up to me.

Epilogue

One Week Later...

Things were very different after my recovery. I had seen lots of statues of my friends, family, and myself. I had also gone through a lot of celebrations and festivals afterwards due to the crisis finally being fixed. A lot more Celestial Bodies were respectful to me and were even asking me for signatures.

Although there were also a few bad things, too.

At midnight, a lot of Celestial Bodies were killed by an ambush. I wouldn't let that stop me. I had led thousands upon millions of Celestial Bodies to the Soulflame Nebula, and I didn't stop rescuing others until they all were safe. Some families lost their children, others lost their loved ones. Fortunately, most family members were safe, including my own remaining family members and my friends.

That night, about ten million Celestial Bodies were safe because of me. Due to the fact that we live in a monarchy, everybody voted to crown me as the Monarch of Galaxia. The days before, I was nobody. Now, I'm standing tall and proud as I wear my crown, finally giving an impressive moment of honor to my bloodline.