

Week 14: What is the most powerful creature in your world? What can it do?

“Do you think you can fly on your own, Star-Pup?”

“Yeah! Just have to remember what we practiced!”

“Yup. Just focus all of your power into your limbs.”

Lily watched as Rane’s hair set into a beautiful blaze. She was always amazed by how smooth the feline could do it. Rane hovered in the air with flames covering her paws.

“Alright... let’s do this!” The canine woman focused her space energy into her limbs—making them glow and shine with stars.

Then in one heartbeat, she propelled into the air— her arms and legs like starry rockets. Lily let out a surprised yelp as she went into the air, nearly losing control. Rane came to her aid, helping the canine control herself. Lily held her arms out, letting the stream of stars flow out.

“I got you,” Rane hovered close and positioned her slightly. “You okay?”

Nodding, Lily gained some more balance, leaning a little into the feline woman. “Y-Yeah! This is fun already!”

The feline smiled. “I’ll keep you close, and then let you fly on your own once we’re on the path towards the moon, okay?”

“Sounds lovely!” Lily barked.

For a while, the feline guided her through the stars— letting go of her. “Have some fun, Star-Pup!” Rane twirled, leaving a trail of flames.

Copying the cat, Lily did a messy spin herself— then she regained her balance easily, laughing while she flew past the miniature suns. Some of them gravitated towards her, making her a little faster while she flew. It almost threw her off, but the starry dog embraced it. She let out an excited bark as she unconsciously did tricks during her flight.

“There you go!” Rane meowed. “Now you’re getting it!”

Lily could feel the warmth of each star. *It’s like they’re a part of me.* She thought in her racing mind. *I can feel all of the stars giving me more power! This is spectacular!* She twirled around once again— making a tiny tornado of stars around her body, dispersing them sometime after with ease.

“We’ll be at the moon momentarily!” Rane called to the canine while she commenced her own blazing tricks, making a lot of the passing stars brighter. “Stay with me!”

“You got it!” Lily barked back with a beaming thrill in her eyes.

Soon, Rane and Lily arrived at the moon. Rivule and Terbius were already there. The canine woman could feel the tension in the area already— hoping no fighting began.

“Why do we have to share with those mutts?”

“Those prissy felines have done enough! We can take care of the moon ourselves!”

Lily witnessed both sides— one with cats that had moon armor on them, and the other side had dogs with bright fur and robes made out of the moon’s silk material. They all looked as if they wanted to fight each other, and break out into a total war.

Rivule turned to the women. “It’s getting bad. There’s no reasoning with them anymore.”

“They just want to harm each other now...” Terbius sounded worried. “It’s never gotten this far.”

Exhaling, Rane turned to Lily. “This is your time to show your power.”

Her eyes widened. “Do you really think I can do this now? It’s a pretty big situation...” The canine woman began to doubt herself.

“At some point, you’re going to lead all of the Elementals and guide the galaxy,” she responded to her. “You’ll have to make the hard decisions a lot of the time... things like this will spark up a lot of the time...”

Lily made a gradual turn back to the opposing groups. “I’ll do my best,” she spoke in a low tone. Then she made her way over— signaling for the others to stay back.

She saw both sides starting to look at her— she didn’t recognize that she was glowing more than she usually would until now. Her outfit seemed to shine and stars on her body had brightened from her exhilarating flight.

Breathing, she noticed that there were mammals standing ahead of the groups— one on each side.

One was a feline man who only had armor on his wrists and ankles. He kept a scowl on his face.

That must be Traygin. Lily pondered in her brain, glancing at the other one.

The dog woman she saw wore a long, purple and cream dress with numerous tiny planets on it. She snarled at Traygin.

That’s Argis. Terbius taught me about the two and their impact on the moon. Each work hard to keep their sides functioning. It’s neat! But both are incredibly territorial—

“Who the hell are you?”

Lily looked in the direction of Argis, meeting her gaze. “I’m—”

Traygin cut her off. “Some sort of new power source? You have tons of energy.”

“I’m Lily!” The canine woman puffed her chest out. “I’ll need you to stop this argument this instant! P-Please? We need this moon to stay...”

Argis scoffed. “Are you supposed to be the new Shadowban? I don’t see it.”

Crossing his arms, Traygin spoke. “Shadowban would’ve put us in our place. You seem too... positive.”

Lily’s ears flattened. This wasn’t going well for her.

Breathe... I got this.

The canine woman made herself hover in the air. “I don’t need to show my power!”

There were surprised looks from the leaders.

Argis responded first. “Shadowban was a powerful angel from the sun. Probably the strongest being to ever exist in the galaxy. She took out armies— planets if she had to— and rebuilt them!”

“What makes you think you can live up to that?” Traygin moved in addition.

Lily stopped for a while— being sent back into her mind with uncertainty, but she fought it.

I can do this!

I’m not going to back down!

Pointing her paw up in the air, a chaining wave of stars poured out of it. It displayed its power from the pulse of energy that it released, stunning a lot of the moon mammals. “I am not sure if I can live up to what Shadowban has done, but I can sure try... Don’t underestimate me. This power is not only unknown to you, but to me as well. I don’t want to find out how extreme it can get— and I’d prefer this moon not be the first to find out!”

Everyone was silent, and Lily gradually lowered herself to the leaders, glancing at both of them. “I’ll achieve just as much as Shadowban... you all just have to trust me. Now— can you do that and *not* fight, please?”

With an approving nod, Traygin walked up to Lily. “You know what? I’ll set aside my differences for now, even if that mutt over there is a little crazy...” he meowed under his breath.

Argis held back a snarl, walking up to the other canine woman as well. “While Traygin is... high maintenance. I’ll keep my group working on their side. I’m curious to see how you do to help this galaxy, Lily. Your power from the stars is something that should be studied.”

Lily ended up getting handshakes from both leaders— and they went back to their respective spots on the moon. She turned around, bolting over to Rane. Her excitement showed as she unintentionally hovered off of the ground a little bit, then she pulled the cat into a tight hug. “Did you see that? I did it!”

“You did!” Rane gave her a long kiss on the cheek. “I’m proud of you! That may have been the most you’ve displayed of your stars ever!”

“I’m hoping she can go bigger,” Rivule added, a grand smile coming across his maw.

Terbius hugged the wolf. “She will! We’ll just have to keep on helping her until she finds her own footing.”

Lily licked Rane all over her face, making her laugh. The starry canine woman let out a righteous bark. “I’ll be the galaxy’s new protector!”