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**Miss Lyana**

By: Raffi Cohen  
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I was leaving Butler Park to go home.

I noticed there was something behind me, so I turned around and saw a monster. At first, I was scared, but then I noticed it was friendly. He had one eye, a horn on his head, four legs, and green skin. He used one of his four arms to wave at me, so I decided to be his friend and waved back.

When I looked closely, I noticed he was flying. I asked him if he was from Earth. He said "yes." Where is your home, I asked. He said, Butler Park. When we got home, I told him to hide in my closet.



I didn't want my parents to see him. He was terrified of my dog, Neelle. I told him she was a dog. He asked me what a dog was. I told him it was an animal. I then asked him his name. He said his name

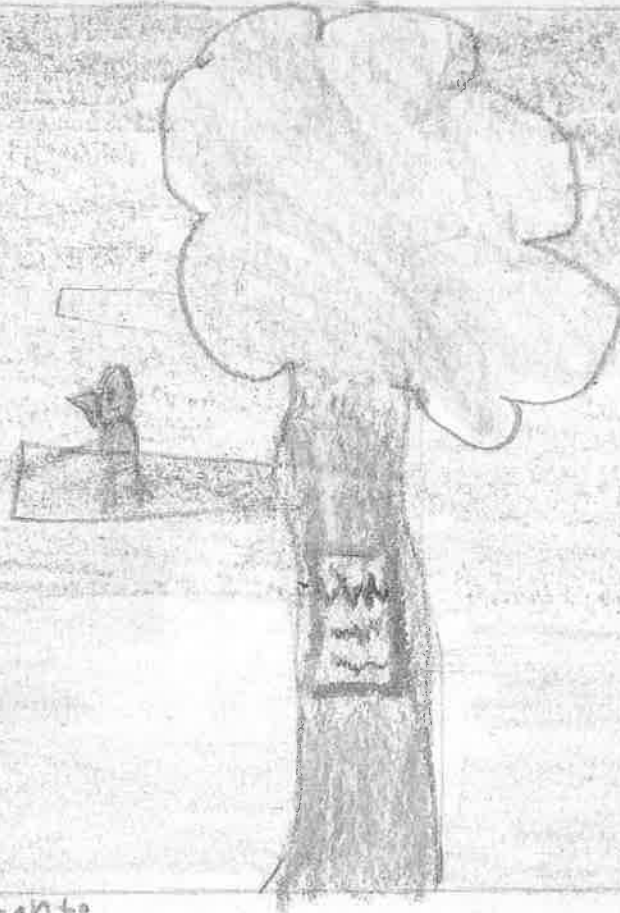
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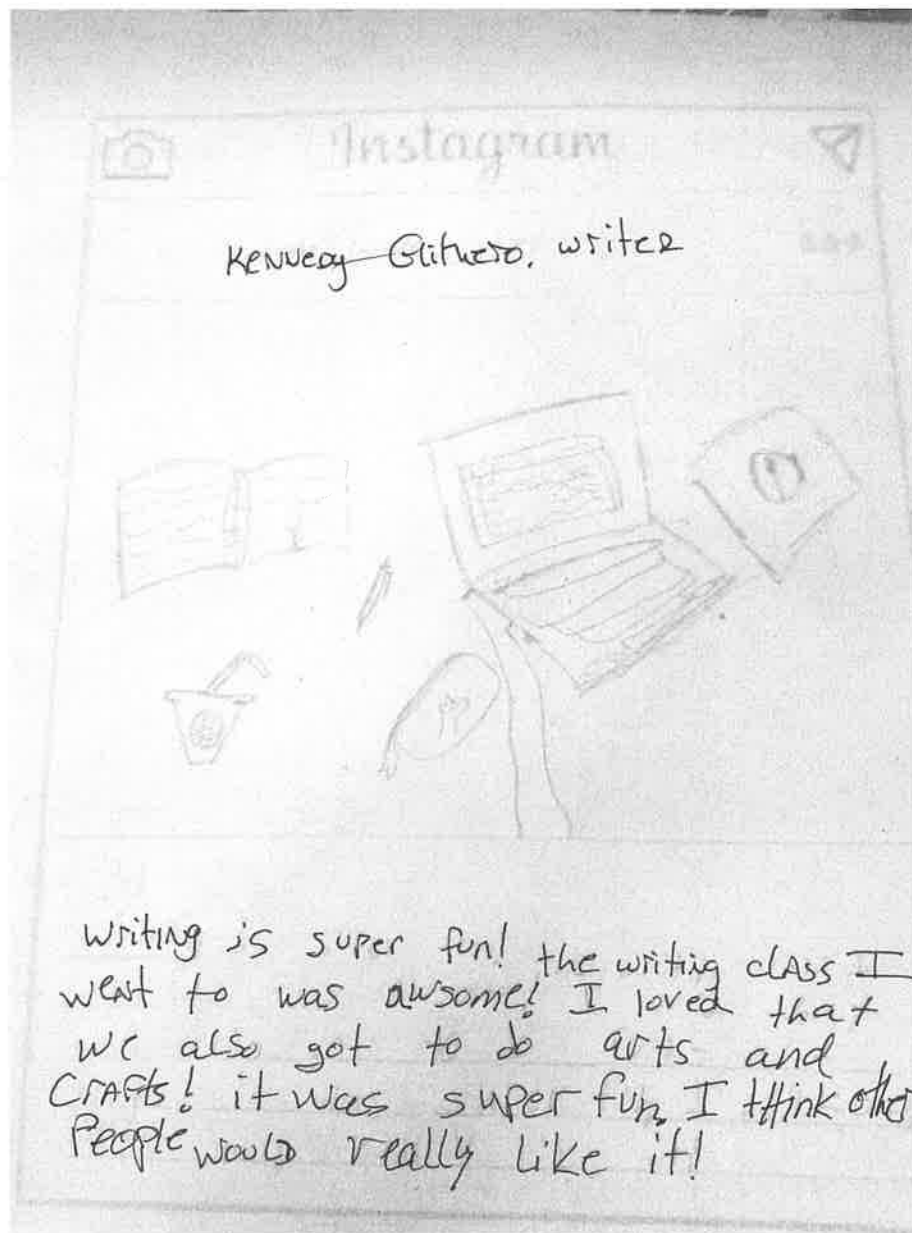


# Wrote a letter to my tree.

A tail  
of blood  
Book



Danger lurks  
By: Kennedy Glithero



# The Quest of The Fire

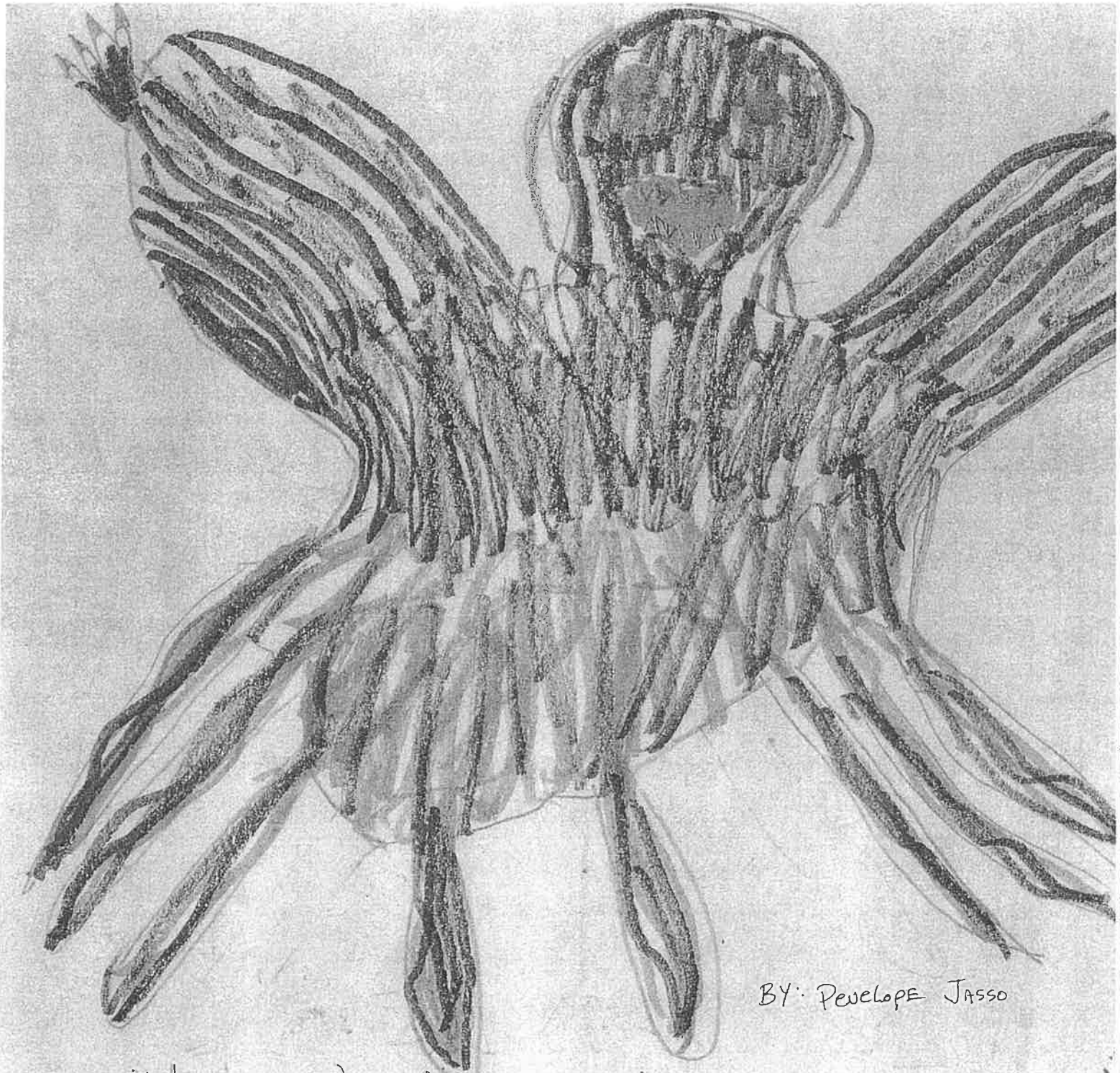
## Ruby

By Leila Graham



Once a demigod named Starwind was walking home from school and she heard a noise behind her. She turned around but nothing was there. She was about to keep walking but then something jumped in front of her. Then she realized it was Tribus the class pet. Tribus is a three headed monster with the head of a dragon, pig, and a giraffe. Then Starwind said, "Tribus what are you doing here?" Then the pig said, "We heard you are going on the quest to find the fire ruby and we want to help." Then the dragon said, "What! No we don't." Then the giraffe said, "Come on it could be fun." "Fine" said the dragon. Then Starwind said, "Thank you, we have to go to the biggest volcano which isn't too far from here." They found the volcano so they started looking for a hidden portal on the side of it. The dragon said, "The hidden portal will lead us to the fire ruby." Then they found the portal so they went inside it. Then they landed in a place called The Fire Empire. The Fire Empire had many golden coins and as they started looking around they saw the fire ruby. Starwind was about to grab the fire ruby but then it went on fire! Then the dragon said, "Did I forget to tell you that the fire ruby goes on fire every three minutes?" "YES!" said everyone except the dragon. Starwind cooled the fire ruby with her weather power. After Starwind grabbed the fire ruby the fire empire started shaking. Then the dragon said, "Did I forget to tell you that we are in a volcano, and if you take the fire ruby the volcano will erupt?" "WHAT!" said everyone except the dragon. Everyone ran into the portal. They all came out okay, but they were a little mad at the dragon but they got over it. Starwind gave her teacher the fire ruby and her teacher said she passed. Starwind became best friends with Tribus.





BY: Penelope Jasso

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BY: LUCAS LUO

Hi! I am a panda! How's it going? Today I am going to explain the life that I am experiencing. Anyways, I am at the Smithsonian zoo in Washington D.C. I was born in China but borrowed by The United States. That was fine by me because my habitat was actually quite decent. Though my domain isn't very large it still has its good sides. It has a little pool of water, glass walls, paintings of my actual habitat in the wild, and the best part is it has lots of tasty looking bamboo! Every single day I feel like I'm walking the red carpet. Today even more people came to see me than usual. Guess it was some holiday. I guess I will never know the mysteries of humans! But a monster also came to see me! Though he did look really like a miniature human... He was very small for a monster and had to sit in a stroller. But when he cried it sounded like a million foghorns blowing at once! AHHH! For some reasons the humans didn't seem worried! They just looked a bit annoyed. Oh, how I wish I could talk to humans!

After a whole day of that screaming monster, who was strangely called something along the line of: a Baby? I'm not sure. Anyways, After a long day of that I plopped. I was really looking toward a nice dinner of bamboo and a little quality time with my pet bamboo (who, by the way, is named statue). But before I could finish eating my bamboo I dozed off, which was quite an often thing that I did. Though the humans seemed to really want me not to do that.

When people come to take pictures of me I always try to pose majestically. When I do all I get are a few weird looks. Those humans can't even appreciate when someone is posing for them. Humph! Who knows what those humans are thinking? At the end of the day a group of kids came in and started to pound on the glass and saying stuff like: make it move! Yeah! I want to see it walk! Oh, don't get me started with kids. Those dreadful brats! A few years ago one of them pounded on the glass so hard he made the glass shatter, but that's not the part that I don't like. The part that I don't like is that he broke my dream of tasty looking bamboo! Isn't that unacceptable?! huh? Oh, forget it! As a conclusion: ever since those kids have gotten on to my bad side.

For living in one of the the world's largest museum and research complex it does get quite lonely. Anyways, today wasn't so lively and not much people came. So I spent most of my day munching on bamboo and lying in the new water tub that the humans added. It wasn't long before I lost track of which one of the bamboo was my pet. So I probably ended up eating him. If that was true then he sure did taste good! I could tell my owners could see that. I was bored so they tossed in this mysterious and suspicious looking box I am for sure not going to touch that!

I was right about how some sort of holiday was coming because the whole night I couldn't sleep a second due to the workers hanging decorations. And for some unexplainable reason they cut down a perfectly good tree and brought it inside only to mess it up with a hoard of decorations! Then the rush hour came. If I remember correctly at least twenty of those screaming monsters came and fifty more kids. All of those humans never read the signs that said: don't rap on glass! Those humans! By the way if you were wondering what happened to the box, I finally touched it but only to throw it into the little pool.

The next day the weirdest thing happened. A man who had the longest and most white beard I have ever seen in my life plopped himself down into this all-fancy-chair. That wasn't even the weird part. The man had a bunch of these little helpers that had pointy ears. And they were handing out stuff for free! Now, I don't know everything about humans. But the one thing I know is that you need to pay for things, and those guys were giving out those wrapped boxes for free! But then again there was a policeman next to them so I guess they weren't doing anything wrong. But who knows?

After that crazy day I was ready for a break. Did I get it? No! When I was sleeping I heard this creaking sound and decided to investigate. Of course there was that glass wall to block me from going out of my domain, but who knows, what if one day it magically fell? Anyways, this time I was sure someone was robbing things. My first clue was he literally had a sign on his back that said I am a crook! Okay, joking! I wasn't going to let this wanna-be-robbber win. So I got ready my lungs and breathed in and then let out the loudest sound I could muster: GROWWWWWL! I went back to sleep a little bit too quickly to remember what happened after, but I am pretty sure the police came and dealt with him.

Another weird thing happened the next morning. People started congratulating me for knowing a specific reason. More people came than ever and were sticking newspapers that had me on the front page. Yep, it was crazy. When I looked at the newspapers headline it read: PANDA CATCHES INFAMOUS CROOK! Now that's just wrong! That wasn't right! I had done nothing to catch that crook and wanted nothing to do with this fame. Oh well, if you get on to the front page of the newspaper I guess you can't argue!

Today when I woke up I went to check if my glass walls had magically fallen and of course they hadn't. I ended looking at my little nametag at the bottom of my habitat. Here's what it said: Celebrity Animal of the United States. Yep, I'm a celebrity animal. Not to brag or anything but for the rest of the day I felt like a king. I had hoped that maybe now that I was a celebrity animal maybe there would be some fans coming to see me, but NO! There were only a few people with these yellow helmets putting up signs that said something like: Celebrity animal domain remodeling. Whatever that meant! I hope It wasn't going to make my domain any smaller than it already was.

Turns out those signs meant the exact opposite that I hoped not to happen. So basically I got what I wanted. Here's what happened. Since I am a very well behaved panda, my owners occasionally take me on a little walk. That's what they decided to do today. I walked around the Smithsonian hoping to see some of my adoring fans (meaning people who come to see me who actually show



me some respect). Sadly, there was none more than the workers, other animals, and a very peculiar and rather stinky smell coming from what Australian people call the dunny (bathroom). Though on the bright side It was great to have so much room to walk in. I was actually rather happy and met a new friend, but that's a story for another time. Anyways back to my domain and...

Jumpin' Jimmy!! My habitat was widened by ten times its original size! Also there were so much more decorations! There were now soft pieces of grass all around, the pool got widened, there were trees, even more bamboo, soft pillows, and best of all there were books! All my life I had seen many of those humans with those bright books. I saw romance books, Action books, comic books, and so much more. The colors were so gorgeous and descriptive. I had always wanted one of them and now I had a whole shelf of them! Summary: it was great.

That was the good part about being a celebrity animal. The bad part was the number of "bad" humans coming to see me had grown by a very large number. I had grown to understand that there were some good humans and some bad. The robber that I "caught" was a bad one. Most of the people that came to see me were bad but of course not in the way of I am going to steal. They kept pounding on the glass and taking photos that nearly blinded me. But from the look on their faces I could tell they were happy which made me feel actually pretty good. After all, they were my fans!

Today I was awoken to the sound of my two owners Bob and Dylan arguing. I can't understand humans but I am pretty sure it had something to do with me. I can't be sure. I hate it when Bob and Dylan argue not because they annoy me, but because it reminds me that I can't understand humans. Bob and Dylan are good humans. They really care about people like me. Both of them are my most favorite people. I don't know why I didn't mention them earlier but I always have my reasons. Oh, and I think that I should mention that they also know my one favorite snack: extra cheddar goldfish! Knowing that information is both good and bad. The good part is if they know that it's my favorite snack they give it to me when I behave (which I do a lot). The bad part is it's my kryptonite. Basically, I will do anything for it.

After that day of arguing, Bob and Dylan finally calmed down. They did this thing called something like, lets see here, oh yeah! Typing. Yes, typing. So they did this thing called typing on their phones. (I acted like I was sleeping and then got a peek at Bob's phone so don't you dare accuse me of being a phone thief) So here's what I saw:

Bring in the red 🚗asap🚗

Dylan:

Got it boss👍👍

Bob:

Well hurry up 🏃 we don't have much time🕒

Dylan:

We're already here with the panda in our convertible🚗

Bob:

Oh 🐼 I'm eating lunch🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱🍱

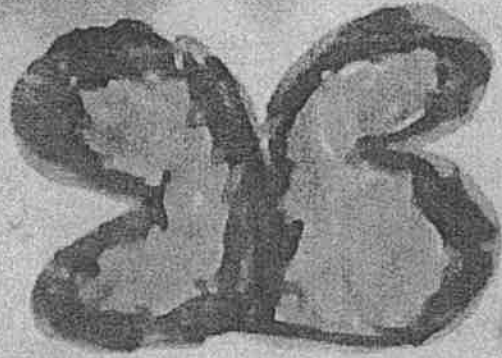
(I think Bob overdid it with the emojis on the last one, right?)

After I saw that I couldn't contain my excitement and start dancing around my domain which looked more like skipping and sliding combined which if I say so myself wasn't one of my best moments. Anyways, I decided to give the other panda a warm welcome and made he or she a nice shady place in the corner. Then I decided to take a nap. halfway through my nap I heard a screeching sound that was probably the convertible that was bringing my new neighbor here. I was too excited to even move so I just stood rooted to the ground waiting for one of the most exciting and impossible moments in my life to happen...

**THE END!**

or is it?

**TO BE CONTINUED...**



By: Bituca  
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***The Portal***  
***By: Penelope Wimsatt***

One day as I was cleaning my room, I noticed something strange. Inside my old toy chest there was a portal! I didn't go through because I didn't know what it would lead to. Still, everyday I wanted to go through it more and more. Finally I just had to go through. When I stepped into the portal it was freezing. It grew warmer slowly though and all of the sudden the portal was gone! That's when I noticed that I was in a city... but it was massive. It was also strange, there was no one in sight. It was almost like the whole place was abandoned. Then I realized that there were creatures flying above the city. Suddenly one swooped down and landed right in front of me. It was a dragon....

***To Be Continued....***