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In the remote ocean-bound island of Zevna, two kingdoms stand in stark opposition: Eden, a flourishing, technologically advanced realm, and Vrok, a struggling kingdom plagued by poverty and corrupt leadership. Nestled within Eden's rugged mountains lies a hidden cave containing the Arma rocks—mysterious blue stones imbued with magical properties, known only to a select few. The story begins when Eden's citizens discover a lifeless, one-armed body in a river. The village leader, Amad, a wise and skilled craftsman, brings the body to his home and uses the Arma rocks in a forbidden ritual to forge an artificial hand, miraculously reviving the stranger. The young man awakens with no memory, asking, "Who am I?"

- **Amad, his compassionate wife, and their spirited teenage daughter, Rexy, adopt him, naming him Leo. Three years later, Leo, now 19, has transformed into a joyful, extroverted, and beloved figure in Eden. Working alongside Amad in their furniture shop, he earns pocket money and the admiration of the community. Unbeknownst to all but Amad, Leo harbors a secret: his Arma-crafted hand grants him superpowers, including the ability to conjure weapons. By night, donning a blue mask, Leo patrols Eden as a vigilante, protecting it from threats, particularly Vrok's schemes to steal the Arma rocks for**

their own gain. Vrok's corrupt politicians see the rocks as a ticket to power, plotting to sell them to outsiders, while Amad and Leo work tirelessly to safeguard Eden's treasure. Leo's life takes a pivotal turn when he encounters Lilly, a polite, bookish, and slightly shy teenage girl from Vrok, who arrives in Eden seeking an old friend—a baker Leo knows well. When Lilly faces trouble, Leo intervenes, saving her and helping her reunite with her friend. As they spend time together, Leo is smitten by Lilly's quiet kindness, though she remains reserved, viewing him only as a friend. Undeterred, Leo tries to win her over with thoughtful gestures, like escorting her to and from Eden's library, where she indulges her love for books. Meanwhile, tensions rise as Vrok's underhanded tactics to seize the Arma rocks intensify, with some Eden officials tempted by bribes to betray their kingdom. Determined to express his feelings, Leo asks Lilly on a date, planning to propose with a ring crafted from an Arma rock, reflecting his belief in commitment over fleeting relationships. Their day together is filled with warmth and connection, culminating in Leo revealing his masked identity and superpowers to Lilly, hoping to earn her trust. As he kneels to propose, a bullet shatters a nearby window, and a massive explosion rocks the area, knocking Lilly unconscious. Leo, acting

swiftly, carries her to safety and dons his mask to confront the chaos unfolding in Eden. To his horror, a heavily armed, advanced military force—not Vrok’s ragtag militia—has invaded Eden. Jets scream overhead, bombs devastate the streets, and soldiers mercilessly slaughter civilians, sparing neither women nor children. The invaders’ target is clear: the Arma rocks. Enraged, Leo unleashes his powers in a frenzy, wielding weapons conjured from his magical hand to cut down scores of soldiers. Despite his ferocity, he’s overwhelmed by their numbers and advanced weaponry. In the chaos, tragedy strikes—Leo’s adoptive sister, Remy, and his mother are brutally killed. The invaders seize Lilly, taking her hostage along with the Arma rocks. Leo fights desperately to save her but is overpowered. At the last moment, Amad intervenes, rescuing a gravely injured Leo and fleeing to a secret hideout as Eden falls under the control of the unknown force. Wounded and reeling from loss, Leo grapples with haunting questions: Who were these invaders, equipped with technology far beyond Zevna’s capabilities? Why did they take Lilly? What do they want with the Arma rocks? Hidden away with Amad, Leo mourns his family and vows to uncover the truth behind the invasion, rescue Lilly, and reclaim Eden from its occupiers. The once-vibrant kingdom lies in

ruins, its future uncertain, as Leo's journey shifts from one of love and protection to a relentless quest for answers and retribution

In the smoldering ruins of Eden, a once-vibrant kingdom on the remote island of Zevna, a nightmare unfolds. Over 5,000 souls perished in a single night, their screams drowned by the roar of jets and the cruelty of an occupying force allied with Vrok's treacherous army. Eden's people endure unspeakable horrors—starvation, public executions, and the theft of their ancestral lands. Hidden in a mountain cave, a broken Leo, bound to a wheelchair and scarred by loss, nurses wounds deeper than flesh. Amad, now one-legged from the invasion, tends to him, but the spark of the joyful, mask-wearing vigilante is gone. In its place burns an inferno of rage, fueled by the murders of Remy and her mother and the abduction of Lilly, the quiet bookworm who stole his heart. The occupiers hunt the mysterious "masked man," unaware that Leo, with his Arma-crafted hand pulsing with supernatural power, is their target.

Three months later, Eden is a prison under a tyrannical regime. Leo, now walking but forever changed, trains day and night, his magical hand conjuring weapons that hum with otherworldly energy. Amad, ever the cunning craftsman, forges a rebel cell, arming survivors for a desperate uprising. In a daring raid, they capture the enemy army chief, a cold-blooded officer who cracks when his family is taken hostage. His confession unveils a chilling truth: the invaders serve Rebellion, a

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global superpower with unmatched military might and technology. They've trapped Zevna beneath an artificial dome that reduces escapees to ash, all to seize the Arma rocks—blue stones of limitless power—for a weapon to enslave the world. The chief's warning is grim: the dome, powered from Rebellion's heart, is impenetrable. Or so he thinks.

Leo discovers a game-changing secret—his Arma-crafted hand defies the dome's lethal barrier. With this revelation, he and Amad lead a ferocious assault, carving out a liberated zone in Eden as a sanctuary for survivors. But Leo's heart hungers for more: to rescue Lilly, to reclaim the Arma rocks, and to shatter Rebellion's grip. His plan is audacious—sneak into Rebellion, join their army undercover, and claw his way into the elite Special Arma Forces (SAF), the only unit with access to the rocks. The chief scoffs, detailing the brutal gauntlet of the Rebellion Defense Academy (RDA), where only the fiercest survive. Leo, undeterred, transforms into a new man—his face altered, his spirit hardened. With a map from a defected Rebellion soldier who chose Eden's cause, Leo bids a gut-wrenching goodbye to Amad and his people. As he sails into the horizon, boat cutting through stormy seas, Leo vows to infiltrate the heart of the enemy, free Lilly, and dismantle the dome. One man against the world's mightiest empire—Leo's quest is no longer just for revenge, but to rewrite the fate of Zevna and ignite a rebellion that will echo across history.

Shades plunges into a pulse-pounding saga of vengeance, sacrifice, and defiance, where a broken hero rises from ashes to challenge an unstoppable empire.

Leo survives a tough two-week boat trip, fighting storms and sharks, and lands in Rebellion with just a bag of clothes. In a village called Crus, he sees a truck labeled “Ravens” and learns from an army chief that Ravens is the capital, home to the defense forces. To find his kidnapped friend Lilly, Leo hides in the truck and reaches Ravens after two days. Meanwhile, Lilly is locked in a high-tech cell with robot guards, confused about why she’s there.

Ravens dazzles Leo with its futuristic skyline—gleaming skyscrapers, humming drones, and holographic streets that feel ripped from a sci-fi dream. But survival trumps awe. Starving and broke, he collapses by a roadside, praying for a lifeline. A flashy car rolls up, and a smug social media influencer tosses him a bag of food, filming the act for clout. The moment the camera stops, the influencer snatches the bag back and kicks Leo into the dirt. Fury surges through Leo. With the reflexes of a trained soldier, he unleashes a brutal beatdown on the influencer and his bodyguards, snagging the food and vanishing into the city’s underbelly. CCTV cameras capture it all, and soon, police swarm, locking Leo behind bars.

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Jail bars clanged shut around Leo, but salvation came from an unlikely source: Paso, a hulking gangster with a glint in his eye. Paso had seen the footage—not just Leo's fists, but a strange, glowing pulse from his right arm. Intrigued, he bailed Leo out and brought him to his gritty hideout. "You're a fighter," Paso growled, offering a deal: kill his rival, Lucco, for cash. Leo had bigger plans. "Get me into the Ravens Defense Academy," he demanded, "and I'm your man." The gang laughed, wary of Leo turning cop, but his quick-witted tale of staying undercover won them over.

Under the cover of night, Leo donned a mask and stormed a glitzy casino with Paso's crew, his heart a drumbeat of adrenaline. He found Lucco, ended him with ruthless precision, and bolted—only to be tackled by a bold kid his age playing hero. Leo slammed him down and melted into the shadows. Job done, Paso's crooked cop ally laid out the path to the RDA: a brutal two-part entrance exam—written and physical—for those aged 18-20 with a 12th-grade certificate. Leo, illiterate and credential-less, leaned on the gang's underworld connections to forge a new identity:, complete with a fake certificate. A shady dealer slipped him leaked exam papers, and on test day, Leo scribbled answers under pressure, locking eyes with the same kid from the casino, who begged for help. Against his better judgment, Leo passed him answers, dodging the sharp gaze of a girl at the front who nearly ratted them out to the proctor.. He says his name is "Deji" . Leo isn't much interested in making friends with anyone right now .The physical test is Leo's battlefield. His

soldier's grit obliterates the competition, and when results drop, Leo is officially a student of RDA

With a loan from Paso, he rents a cramped Ravens flat and takes a janitor job at a bustling mall, his blue uniform masking a warrior's heart. On his first day at the RDA, he clutches a faded photo of Lilly, Amad, and the loved ones he's lost, his new ID bearing the name Arsen Ace. With vengeance burning in his veins and a vow to free his people, Leo steps into the RDA's crucible, ready to unravel secrets and carve a path to justice.

