

Zenith rolled over and stretched, yawning as the sun shone through her window, shaking out her fur.

“Cinder~ Cinder wake up~” The little Villa sing-songed, nudging the sleeping animal until it opened its beady little eyes.

“Good morning sleepy head, are you ready to go meet Ambassador Satu?” She asked, staring at Cinder curiously.

The capybara stared back then stood up and stretched, nudging Zenith’s leg with its head.

Looking around, Zenith made sure she had grabbed everything she needed before leaving the house.

Making her way through town, Zenith looked at all the houses trying to remember what Satu’s office looked like.

“I think this is it.” She says, poking her head through the doorway, Cinder following suit. “Hello? Ambassador Satu?” She called, cautiously making her way inside, the beads on the door jiggling as she looked around, eyes widening.

“Wow~ look at all those quilts.”

“Aren’t they amazing!?” A voice exclaimed, as Satu ran up to Zenith and Cinder, bowing her head. “Welcome to my house! It’s very nice to meet you, my name’s Satu but you knew that already. What’s

yours?" She asked, tilting her head curiously, eyes falling on Cinder.

"Can I pet your capy?"

Zenith blinked a few times, then smiled widely and nodded. "Sure! His name's Cinder. Uh, my name's Zenith. It's nice to finally meet you, Satu!" She says, tail swaying gently as she watches Satu gently nuzzle Cinder's head with her own.

Cinder nuzzled Satu back then walked around her legs before plopping down next to Zenith again.

"It's nice to meet you Zenith. What brings you to my home today? Oh! You're welcome to sit wherever you'd like by the way." Satu says, making her way over to a blanket in the corner and sitting down.

"Oh, uh. I was told that I should come talk to you to become a full citizen of Villainen. I'm not sure if there's anything else I have to specifically do though." Zenith replied.

Satu blinks a few times, then thinks. "Well, I'm going to assume you have a house already, right?" She asks, tilting her head.

"Yup! That's kind of why I took so long to come see you. I needed to set it up and get everything situated."

"Okay good! Do you have an idea about what you want your job to be?" Satu asked curiously, tail swaying behind her.

“Oh yes! I want to take care of birds! Probably quails.” Zenith answered, nodding a few times, watching Cinder flop against her side and lay down.

Satu hummed softly and made a mental note of that before nodding firmly. “Alright well then, that’s pretty much all you need to live here; and to come see me of course.” She laughs softly.

“If you need help with bird raising the humans and other Bep can help you so don’t be afraid to ask them or observe. Whichever works best for you. Ah but, there is *one* more thing you have to do when you have the time.” She says.

“You have to stop by the treasury so they can give you your Gildes string, after that you can do whatever you want with it! I suggest going to check how much a pen costs first and ask them to give you that amount of Gildes so you can start working.”

“Okay! Thanks Satu! I appreciate the advice!” Zenith says, gently nudging the sleepy Cappybara.

“Don’t mention it! If you need anything else, you’re more than welcome to stop by if I’m home.”

“I will! Thanks again!” Zenith stood up and stretched, flopping onto her stomach so Cinder could climb onto her back. “Time to find the

Treasury. Hopefully they're not too busy today." She says, canting her head in goodbye before leaving Satu's house.

"Oh wait! Here let me help you find it." Satu offered, standing up and following Zenith.

"So, how long have you been in Villainen? Do you like it here so far?" Satu asked as they made their way through the village.

Zenith tilted her head, humming in thought. "Let's see, I've been here for maybe a month? I stayed with some really nice humans until my house was set up. They gave me a really cute stuffed animal and I found Cinder!" She says, wiggling.

"As for your other question, I like it alot here. I knew that this place was nice and comfy but I didn't expect the tiny houses along with the big human houses." Zenith replied, tail swaying behind her.

"I didn't expect it either! But I'm kind of glad the humans considered it. Not all Bep like living in tiny houses but it's nice to have shelter in case the weather gets bad." Satu says, looking around.

"Hey, can I ask where you got all those quilts from?" Zenith asks, tilting her head.

“Oh sure, some of the humans gave them to me after I got sheared and I decided to keep them for myself! They’re really soft, comfortable, and warm. Colorful and not too heavy.” Satu answered.

“Aww, that’s nice of them. Do you have one that’s your favorite?” Zenith asks.

“Hmm, there’s a really pretty one that has lots of dark colors that I really like that makes me feel really warm in the Winter. Especially after the humans put it in front of the big fire pits in their house.” Satu answers, tail wagging behind her.

“So, how’d you come across your friend?” Satu asks, nosing towards Cinder, who was fast asleep on Zenith’s back.

“I found him when he wandered into the village one day. He was eating out of one of the food bowls the humans like to put out for their companions. He was nice enough, so I decided to keep him for myself. I thought it’d take him longer to get used to me though.” Zenith answered, sighing softly.

“How long did it take for him to get used to you?” Satu asks.

Zenith wiggled her nose, “Maybe a week or two? I snuck him some of the treats I would get and he liked them, so I think that helped out a lot.” She giggles.

Satu laughed and nodded. "You know, I think you're right." She stops and looks around again, making sure they are in the right area before continuing forward until they come upon a large building.

"This is the treasury. I think a lot of humans work here so, trying to ask for the right amount of Gildes will be a bit harder than I remember but, hopefully it'll work out. They understand our body language and sound well enough to figure out when we're unhappy about something." Satu tilts her head from side to side, thinking.

"Although, I've heard rumors from other Bep that they've started giving out a lot of Gildes to new citizens, but I'm not sure if they're true. If not, the human workers usually help us get started with our jobs. Just find a human who's doing what you want to do and they'll probably hire you if you show them you can handle it." She explained.

Zenith nodded, taking in all the information Satu was giving her. "Thanks! Hopefully I can prove myself. I'll be the best Quailkeeper ever!" She said, enthusiastically.

"I believe in you, Zenith! Take care and I hope you enjoy living here in Villainen. Remember what I said about coming to me if you need anything." Satu says.

"I will! Thanks again Satu and nice to meet you!" Zenith says, watching as Satu left.

With a few shakes of her fur, and making sure that Cinder was still on her back, Zenith headed inside the building.